SUMMER DAY CAMP

2023 PARTICIPANT PACKAGE

Community and Recreation Services

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Welcome:

Welcome and thank you for joining us for the Town of Tecumseh's Summer Day Camp Program. We look forward to many fun-filled days with all the campers. There are many exciting events and activities planned throughout the summer. Please take a moment to review the registration and day camp guidelines.

Camp Locations:

The Camp will operate out of the following locations:

Program Dates	Camp Location
Monday, July 3 – Friday, July 7	Tecumseh Arena – 12021 McNorton Street
Monday, July 10 – Friday, July 14	St. Pius X Catholic Elementary School – 644 Lacasse Blvd.
Monday, July 17 – Friday, July 21	St. Pius X Catholic Elementary School – 644 Lacasse Blvd.
Monday, July 24 – Friday, July 28	St. Pius X Catholic Elementary School – 644 Lacasse Blvd.
Tuesday, July 31 – Friday, August 4	St. Pius X Catholic Elementary School – 644 Lacasse Blvd.
Monday, August 8 – Friday, August 11 (4-day week)	St. Pius X Catholic Elementary School – 644 Lacasse Blvd.
Monday, August 14 – Friday, August 18	St. Pius X Catholic Elementary School – 644 Lacasse Blvd.
Monday, August 21 – Friday, August 25	Tecumseh Arena – 12021 McNorton Street
Monday, August 28 – Friday, September 1	Tecumseh Arena – 12021 McNorton Street

Camp Hours and Extended Supervision Times:

The Camp programming begins at 9:00 a.m. and ends at 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday (except holidays). Campers are encouraged to arrive to camp by 9:00 a.m. Please check departure times for scheduled off-site special events as they may vary from week to week.

Extended supervision is available for early drop-off starting at 7:30 a.m. at no additional fee. During this time, quiet activities will be available to entertain the campers until the program begins at 9:00 a.m. Extended supervision is also available for late pick-up until 5:30 p.m. at no additional fee. Quiet activities will be available to entertain campers until their parent/guardian picks them up. It is imperative that children are picked up no later than 5:30 p.m.

Late fees are applicable after 5:30 p.m. and will be charged to clients' accounts (\$10.00 / child for every 10 minutes or any part thereof).

Registration Fees:

In order to help us provide the appropriate number of staff for supervision of the children, please register as soon as possible. Early registration will secure camp participation and avoid disappointment. Payment is required prior to attending camp.

Participants are able to register online at <u>www.tecumsehrec.ca</u> or with the Community & Recreation Services office located within Tecumseh Arena (12021 McNorton St., 519-735-4756). Please note that Day Camp Coordinators <u>cannot</u> process registration. Please ensure that you contact our office or <u>www.tecumsehrec.ca</u> to process your registrations prior to attending the camp.

The minimum registration deadline for regular day camp is 12 noon on the prior camp day. Specialty Camp deadlines will vary and registration may close up to one-week prior.

The weekly fee for the Regular Summer Day Camp program is \$155. The rate has been adjusted to \$124 for the Civic holiday 4-day week. Registration fees for Specialty Camps will vary week to week; depending on the program.

For those campers that choose to attend the Regular Summer Day Camp program on a day-to-day basis, the fee is \$37 per day plus \$18 for participation on scheduled special event days.

Program Refund Policy:

Missed camp days cannot be made up and do not qualify for a refund. Camp programming interrupted by inclement weather, power failure, building evacuation, mechanical difficulties, pool fouling or other unforeseen circumstances will not be made up or refunded.

You may withdraw a camper up to 5 business days prior to their start date by contacting the Tecumseh Community & Recreation Services Office in person, by phone at 519-735-4756 or by email at recreation@tecumseh.ca. Consideration for all refund requests will be given as long as the request meets the criteria noted in the Refund Policy. Please allow 4-6 weeks for refund processing. Please note, nonattendance and/or notification to camp staff does not constitute a notice of withdrawal.



All requests for transfers must be received 5 business days or more prior to the program start date. Customers will receive a full refund if they cancel at least 5 business days prior to the first day of the program. Refunds for course materials or excursions/field-trips/special events will not be issued if proper notification (contacting our Community & Recreation Services Office) is not received. Program transfers are permitted if program space is available.

Special Event Days:

Each week, a special event is scheduled that may or may not include an off-site excursion. Special events are typically scheduled as an afternoon activity in order that the specialty camp participants may also participate. Please refer to the Day Camp Calendar for a list of special event days this year. *Please note special events are subject to change.*

In order for our staff to be familiar with your child, new campers must have attended Day Camp for at least one day, prior to the scheduled Special Event Day.

Off-site special event day departures and return times will vary week to week. This information will be posted each week at the sign-in table. If a camper misses the bus for the special event, parents/guardians will have the option of taking their child(ren) home or transporting them to the special event location.

Scheduled special event destinations may be changed due to unforeseen circumstances (i.e. weather conditions, closures). Special events will not have a rain date, and if the weather does not cooperate, the event may be cancelled. Refunds will <u>not</u> be given for missed or cancelled special events.

Unless otherwise noted, children must bring a lunch for all special event days.

All children registered for camp on a scheduled special event day must attend the special event, as there is no additional staff at the Camp Facility to supervise children.

Participant Information Forms:

The Town of Tecumseh uses ePACT, an emergency network software system. ePACT is a safe, secure and easy to use system that replaces paper forms. ePACT provides the camp staff access to the important emergency management information of all registrants including contact information, medical concerns and who is authorized to pick-up and drop-off.

Watch for an ePact invite in your inbox (this may end up in your junk mail). Login or create an account and complete for each child before your child is able to attend camp. **Children will not be permitted to**

attend camp without this vital information.

If you require assistance with your account, please visit ePACT for families.

Sign-In/Out Procedures:

All participants must be signed in and out of camp by a parent/guardian or approved alternate upon their arrival/departure. Please notify the Community & Recreation Services Office or update your ePACT profile if someone other than those listed on your information sheet will be picking up your child(ren). Identification will be requested of individuals picking up children.

Kiss N' Ride:

Take advantage of our Kiss N' Ride program between 8:00 AM – 9:00 AM each morning. Our Camp Leaders will be ready to greet you at your car at the designated Kiss N' Ride drop off location for sign-in.

Hot Lunches:

Hot lunches may be available throughout the summer depending on the camp program schedule. Hot lunches include a nominal fee of \$7.00 and are completely optional. Hot lunch orders and payment will be due by noon one day prior to scheduled lunch.



Allergies:

With the increased number of peanut allergies amongst children today, we endeavour to ensure that our camp is a peanut free camp. We ask that all campers do not bring nuts and/or peanut butter as part of their snack or lunch. Please remind your child that sharing food products with other campers is not permitted. Signage will be posted at the sign-in table if any other allergies are brought to our attention.

Photographs:

On occasion, the camp staff and supervisor may take photos of campers involved in various programs and events in order to publicize our programs. The photos will be used in Town publications, and are not for sale.

Our facilities and parks are open to the public and media personnel frequently visit unannounced to take photos and video. If you are a regular participant in our programs and you do not want your image to be published, please inform us at registration. We will make every effort possible to ensure that your child is not photographed or filmed by visiting media.

Swimming:

During the camp program, campers will be attending lifeguard supervised public swim sessions at the Tecumseh Leisure Pool located in Lacasse Park; (weather permitting). Please refer to your day camp events calendar for scheduled swim days. *All campers are required to bring a bathing suit, towel, and sunscreen with them.* All registered campers must attend and are expected to participate as all staff will be at the pool supervising the children. Campers must adhere to the <u>pool's admission policy</u> (lifejackets supplied at the Leisure Pool).



Skating:

During the weeks when the camp is located at the Tecumseh Arena, campers will have the opportunity to enjoy a skate on the ice. Campers are required to wear ice skates and helmets while on the ice. Skaters are reminded to bring ice skates, helmets, pants, sweaters, jackets, and gloves. Limited skate aids are available on site for beginners. For those campers not comfortable with ice skating, other supervised activities will be scheduled. *Skates and helmets will not be provided.*



Age Groups:

Tecumseh Summer Day Camp organizes campers into separate age groups (5-8 years & 9-12 years) in order to effectively and safely run programming throughout the day. If you do not want your child separated from another camper, please make a special request to the Day Camp Counsellor in advance.

Things to Bring:



It is necessary that all campers bring the following items with them each day:

- A weather appropriate jacket
- Hat
- Indoor running shoes (no black soled shoes please!)
- A morning and afternoon healthy snack and drink
- A lunch
- Extra water for hot summer days (no glass containers)
- Sunscreen
- Bug Spray (optional)
- Swimsuit, towel and water shoes (water games and activities are a regular part of our fun-filled days!)
- Skates, helmet, warm clothing for scheduled skating days
- Note: Please be aware of the special events that are planned and bring appropriate clothing!
- Note: Please do not send your child with flip-flops... we are a very active camp!

All items brought to day camp should be clearly identified with the camper's first and last name and stored in a backpack or lunch pail. Please do not send toys, gaming devices, iPods, cell phones, valuables, etc. to day camp! Please note that we are not responsible for lost or stolen articles.