

Camp Discovery



Dear Camp Discovery Families,

Welcome to Camp Discovery 2016! We are so excited for this summer with your child! Here are some things to help make this summer the best one yet! Our program meets Monday-Friday from 7:30 A.M.-5:00 P.M. The camp is designed to be a full day program, not a drop in program. Please park your car in the gym parking lots and walk your child in the gym entrance. Once entering, go left and walk over the Skywalk. Camp staff will be at a table at the end of the hallway and will let children into the camp area once a parent has signed them in. Drop off is between 7:30A.M. and 8:45 A.M. Children who are dropped off after their tennis/field sport activity has begun will stay inside for free play until their group is done. Pick up will be held at the same spot as drop off. Written permission is required when someone other than the parent/guardian is picking up your child. Pick up time is between 4:15-5:00 P.M.

Please send your child with a nutritious lunch and beverage daily. **Refillable water bottles are highly recommended.** Lunches will be stored in an air conditioned room. Send your child's lunch in a soft insulated bag or lunchbox with an ice pack. All participants should bring (2) water bottles, a hat, (2) bathing suits, (2) towels, spray on sunscreen, (2) snacks, and a plastic bag for wet items. **ALL ITEMS MUST BE LABELED** with your child's name.

If your child is on medication or requires medication in the event of an emergency you must complete and submit an *Authorization for Administration of Medication* form to the Parks and Recreation office prior to camp. The *Child Information/Emergency Consent Form* you received must be completed and sent with your child on the FIRST DAY OF CAMP. Your child will not be allowed to participate without that form on file.

Children will swim at Glastonbury High School pool, weather permitting. Each camper will receive swim lessons every day, and will have free swim on days specified

on the calendar. Certified Lifeguards help to ensure safety at the pool with the support of the Camp Discovery staff. American Red Cross swim lessons are included at no additional cost and all participants must take swim lessons. A swim assessment will be conducted on the first day to assure all children are leveled appropriately.

Your child will receive a Session Calendar which will include the activities, times, and details for that session. Please refer to this daily as there will often be special instructions regarding events and trips. Please remember to always send your child in their camp T-shirt on field trip days. If you do not want your child to participate in field trips, do not send them on that day/time, as there will be no supervision available.

We will be sending out camp newsletters via email periodically. Please make sure that the email address that you want these newsletters going to is in your Parks & Recreation account. To add or change email addresses login to your Parks & Recreation account click "My Account" and "Change Household Data", you can change the primary email or add additional email addresses.

We are looking forward to a wonderful summer of Camp Discovery. If you have any questions or concerns before camp begins or throughout the session, please do not hesitate to call Liz at the Parks and Recreation department liz.gambacorta@glastonbury-ct.gov or (860) 652-7697.

Camp Discovery staff will have a cell phone 860-993-0530 which will be carried by a Director during camp hours. This should be used for **EMERGENCY** calls **ONLY**. The staff at Camp is responsible for the children and cannot spend the day talking on the phone. If you need to discuss your child or a situation at length with the staff, make plans to do so at pick-up or drop-off time.

Sam DeSantis - Camp Director

Delaney Kehoe - Assistant Camp Director

Anthony Longo - Assistant Camp Director - Trailblazers

Julia Zagaja - Assistant Camp Director - Explorers