



"FUN"tastic



Adventure Camps



Parent
Packet



“FUN”tastic Adventure Camps

For children ages 3-5

Download our parent packet online www.veteransparkdistrict.org

Preschool Summer Camps: Each week the curriculum focuses on a unique theme that introduces preschool age children to the exciting world around them. There are ten separate weeks of camp, each with a different theme. Every adventure includes art, music outdoor play, games, and story time.

Creepy Crawling Critters Camp – June 11 - 15

Buzzzzzz. The Buzz around town is that this will be a fantastic weekly adventure full of wonder and beauty. Discover the insect world and go on a bug hunt. Our story theme for the week is *The Hungry Caterpillar*.

Island Luau Beach Camp – June 18 – 22

Dive into this weekly adventure and explore the islands. We’ll learn about sea creatures and aquatic life, enjoy a game of Beach Bump Ball, and practice sorting skills with sea shells. Adventurers will enjoy their own luau complete with Hawaiian dress, leis, island foods and water play. The carefree beach life is sure to be a favorite for this summer.

Dino Days Camp – June 25 - 29

Take a trip back in time. This weekly adventure takes us to a time where dinosaurs ruled the Earth. Adventurers’ delights include making dinosaur footprints, dino egg hunt, and creating your own fossils.

All About America Camp – July 2 - 6 (No Camp Wednesday, July 4th)

Discover our nation’s history while preparing to celebrate Independence Day. Stories will feature our founding fathers. Adventurer will enjoy the festivities of the summer holiday by organizing a mini parade, picnic, and face painting.

Little Picasso Artist Camp – July 9 – 13

Get out your creativity and be ready to explore the world of art. We’ll make a variety of projects using some old favorite supplies and some new materials. Come to camp in clothes that can get messy. Some materials may stain. We will have an art show on Friday.

Wild, Wild West Camp – July 16 - 20

Ride ‘em cowboy. Your little cowboy or cowgirl will make a neckerchief, a vest, and a stick horse to ride on. We will lasso a bull, find gold in the gold fields, sing around the camp fire, roast weenies and marshmallows, and enjoy some old-fashioned root beer.

Little Gardener’s Camp – July 23 - 27

Plant the seeds of joy as you embark on this weekly adventure. The beautiful botanical world comes to life as we learn about soil, plant life and flowers. Each adventurer will have their very own plant to start that can be added to the family garden.

Fantasy Week – July 30 – August 3

We will tickle the imaginations of young adventurers with tales of the fantasy world. Become a beautiful princess or a dashing pirate and make a crown, eye patch, or wand. We will listen to stories, sing songs and enjoy a costume party on Friday.

Sports and Games Camp – August 6 – 10

There will be a kaleidoscope of sports activities for the adventurer this week. Along with trying some new twists to old games, we will end the week with a mini Olympics and pizza party.

Around the World in Five Days of Camp – August 13 – 17

Your young adventurer will travel around the world this week making crafts, trying new foods, and playing games from different countries.

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For children 3 to 5 years old

Half Day Morning “FUN”tastic Adventure Camps

9:00 a.m. – Noon

Bataan Park Preschool Room, 1220 N. Ninth Ave., Melrose Park

Fees (per camp)*: In District, \$60; Friendly Neighbor, \$65; Out of District, \$85

*Except Week 4 All About America Camp, \$48 In District, \$52 Friendly Neighbor, \$68 Out of District

NEW Full Day “FUN”tastic Adventure Camps

9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Bulger Park Preschool Room, 1601 Hirsch Street, Melrose Park

Enjoy all of the same fun themed activities in the half day tot camp, plus educational programming that will complement your child’s school learning. Rest time will be included in the full day program. Please send a lunch with your camper.

Fees (per camp)*: In District, \$120; Friendly Neighbor, \$125; Out of District, \$145

*Except Week 4 All About America Camp, \$96 In District, \$100 Friendly Neighbor, \$116 Out of District

Early Drop Off: 8:00 – 9:00 a.m.

Fees (Per Camp) \$20

A minimum of 3 Campers must be registered for Early morning drop off .

Extended Care: 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Only available at Bulger Preschool

Fees (Per Camp) \$20

A minimum of 3 Campers must be registered for Extended Care.

Veterans Park District Tot Camp Application

Are you registering for:

- Full Day 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at Bulger Park
((\$120 per week In District, \$125 per week Friendly Neighbor, \$145 per week Out of District))
- Half Day 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at Bataan Park
((\$60 per week In District, \$65 per week Friendly Neighbor, \$85 per week Out of District))
- Early Drop Off 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
((\$20 per week))
- Extended Care 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Available only at
Bulger Park
((\$20 per week))

Circle the weeks of Camp that you are registering your child for. Please note that you must pay in full for all sessions at time of registration.

Week 1
Creepy Crawling Critters Camp
June 11 – 15

Week 6
Wild Wild West Camp
July 16-20

Week 2
Island Luau Beach Camp
June 18-22

Week 7
Little Gardner's Camp
July 23-27

Week 3
Dino Days Camp
June 25-29

Week 8
Fantasy Camp
July 30-August

Week 4
All About America Camp
July 2-6 (No Camp Wednesday, July 4th)

Week 9
Sports and Games Camp
August 6 – 10

Week 5
Little Picasso Artist Camp
July 9-13

Week 10
Around the World in Five Days Camp
August 13 - 17

Accurate Information: It is important that we have correct information on all registration forms. If it is found that you have used an In District address that is not the child's legal residence, your child will be dismissed from the activity/program. Phone numbers **MUST** be working numbers. If there is an emergency, it is imperative that we are able to reach a parent or legal guardian. Veterans Park District is **NOT** responsible for incorrect or inaccurate information that is provided at the time of registration. If your phone number changes, please pass that information on to your camper's leader as soon as possible.

I have read, understand, and agree to the conditions of this program.

Name Printed

Signature

Date

CHILD INFORMATION

Child's Name: _____ Gender: M/F Birth date: _____

Home Address: _____ City _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____

Please list your contact numbers that you can be reached at during Tot Camp Hours:

1. _____ Please Circle: Cell/ Work/ Other: _____

2. _____ Please Circle: Cell/ Work/ Other: _____

3. _____ Please Circle: Cell/ Work/ Other: _____

Does your child speak English? ___ Yes ___ No

Understand English? ___ Yes ___ No

Do parents speak English? ___ Yes ___ No

Language spoken at home? _____

Brothers/Sisters names and ages: _____

Please circle one: Right Handed Left Handed

Please list Allergies & explain:

Does your child need any special accommodations to be successful in Tot Camp? _____

PERMISSION TO PARTICIPATE IN TOT CAMP ACTIVITIES

I hereby grant permission for my child to use all of the play equipment and participate in all the activities of Tot Camp. I hereby grant permission to leave the Tot Camp/park grounds under supervision of Tot Camp staff members for a neighborhood walk.

Name Printed

Signature

Date

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Mother/Guardian Name: _____

Home Address: _____ Phone: _____

Mother's Employer Name: _____

Employer Address: _____

Employer Phone: _____ Work Days: _____

Work Hours: _____

Father/Guardian Name: _____

Home Address: _____ Phone: _____

Father's Employer Name: _____

Employer Address: _____

Employer Phone: _____ Work Days: _____

Work Hours: _____

SIGN OUT FOR SAFETY

All parents' are required to sign their child in when arriving to camp and sign their child out when departing from Tot Camp. Veterans Park District will not allow any child to leave unless they are signed out. Please include a minimum of three individuals whom you authorize Veterans Park District to release your child from camp.

First & Last Name	Phone Number	Relationship to Child
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		

EMERGENCY CONTACTS

Please list a minimum of three people the camp can call, in the unlikely case the parents cannot be contacted. Please be sure people listed know they are your emergency persons, they have a working phone number, and are willing to pick up your child if needed.

First & Last Name	Phone Number	Relationship to Child
1.		
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CHILD HEALTH HISTORY

PLEASE PRINT AND FILL OUT ALL SECTIONS COMPLETELY.

Child's Physician: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Does your child have any allergies? Yes No If yes, please explain.

Does your child have any health conditions or medical needs that we should know about? If yes, please explain. _____

Due to any health conditions are there any activities your child can not participate in?

EMERGENCY CARE RELEASE

I, _____, parent/guardian have enrolled my child in Veterans Park District's Tot Camp, and hereby authorize Dr. _____, my child's physician, or any other physician in his/her group practice, on my behalf to administer Emergency medical assistance to my child during a Park District activity. In the event Dr. _____ or any physician in his/her group practice is not available, I hereby authorize the Veterans Park District, their employees and agents to provide emergency medical assistance or to arrange for and consent to on my behalf immediate medical treatment by a licensed or certified physician or other medical personnel for my child whenever the authorized Park District personnel believe such emergency medical assistance is necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of my child. I provided accurate and all information regarding my child's medical needs and health conditions, therefore I know no reasons why my child should not participate in activities, except as noted above.

Name Printed

Signature

Date

BEHAVIOR POLICY

1. The camp leader will explain to the child one on one why their action or behavior is not accepted in Tot Camp. Then warn the child that if the behavior is demonstrated again they will have to sit out. (One minute per year)
2. If child repeats action or does not follow our Tot Camp rules again, they will be placed on time out. One minute per year.
3. If action(s) is repeated or child does not follow Tot Camp rules after the time out, a behavior report will be written and parents will be notified of their child's behavior.
4. Parent/Guardian will attend a mandatory meeting with the Tot Camp Director and camp leader(s) to discuss the behavior.
5. If inappropriate behavior continues after the meeting, the child will be excused from Tot Camp.
 - a. The child will be allowed back once a behavior plan has been drafted by the Tot Camp Director and approved by the Director of Recreation or Executive Director, in the absence of the Director of Recreation
6. If inappropriate behavior continues, the child will be excused from the Tot Camp Program under the direction of the Executive Director.

*If a child poses a direct threat to the health and safety of other children, staff or him/herself the parent of the child and the local police will be notified immediately. A one day pause will be put into immediate effect, at the discretion of the Director of Recreation and/or Executive Director.

BATHROOM POLICY

Children that are not potty trained will immediately be sent home until the parent feels confident that the child is properly potty trained. This includes being able to use the toilet by him/herself, cleaning him/herself after a bowel movement, and washing their hands after using the urinal or toilet.

If your child has an accident: Parents will be required to pick up their child immediately. Your child will not be admitted back into Tot Camp until he/she has been taken home, cleaned, and dressed in dry, clean clothes and shoes. If there are repeated accidents, parents will have a meeting with the Tot Camp Director (Recreation Director in the absence or vacation of Tot Camp Director) and the child's camp leader. It will be determined at that time if your child will be sent home until they are bathroom trained or some other intervention is taken. No refund will be given for days due to bathroom accidents. While accidents happen, it is expected that your child is able to take care of their bathroom needs before they are registered for Tot Camp. They may not be sent to Tot Camp in diapers or pull ups.

LATE PICKUP POLICY

It is important that you be on time when picking up your child. Parents who are late picking up their child/children will be charged \$5.00 for the first 15 minutes of late time and \$2.00 for each additional 5 minutes per child.

TOT CAMP SNACKS

Our Tot Camp provides snacks for our campers. It is our goal to ensure the safety of all children. Therefore, due to the high number of peanut allergies in children, Tot Camp is a peanut free zone. We do not provide snacks with peanuts or food that was manufactured in a factory using peanut products. Please do not send campers with any food that has peanuts, peanut butter or has been manufactured in a factory using peanut products. It is important that parents state in the registration packet any and all allergies. The following includes a list of snacks the children may be consumed throughout the summer. Please circle any snack(s) that may cause an allergic reaction or is a concern along with the reason.

Cheese and Crackers	Apple Juice	Goldfish	Fruit Loops
Apples	Fruit Juice	Oranges	Fruit Snacks
Cheese Balls	Sunny Delight	Pretzels	Yogurt
Mini Oreos	Pink Lemonade	Bananas	Dunk-ems
Carrots	Lemonade	Pudding	Nilla Wafers
Chips Ahoys Cookies	Lucky Charms	Rice Krispies	Ritz crackers
Cheese-its	Hot Dogs	Ice Cream	Sno-cones
Mr. Freezes	Graham Crackers	Gummi Worms	Cool Whip

Be sure to indicate ANY food allergies that your child has when you register for Tot Camp.

VETERANS PARK DISTRICT POLICY AGREEMENT

I read, understood, and agree to the following policies stated above: behavior policy, bathroom policy, late pick-up policy, and snack policy.

Name Printed _____

Signature _____

Date _____

Supply List: Veteran's Park Tot Camp



- 1 clean change of clothes including underwear, shorts & socks. Please label items with your child's name. Place in a Gallon Size Zip Lock Bag. Put your child's name on the front of the bag.
- 1 paint shirt large enough to cover camper's clothes. Please label with your child's name.