



Parent/Guardian Session Letter – Sports Camp

Week 6: August 8 – August 12, 2022

Welcome to Week 6 of the 2022 Summer Camp Program at Sports Camp! My name is Alanah Broomfield, and I am the Director of Sports Camp. On behalf of the staff members of Sports Camp, we welcome your child to our camp and we are very excited to offer your child a thrilling, fun and safe session. We have planned many activities and theme days aimed at ensuring that your child has a wonderful camp experience! Please read the attached information carefully and don't hesitate to call me if you are unclear of any of the enclosed details.

Camper Drop off / Pick up Protocol (Important)

Sports Camp will operate out of Dunbarton High School from 9:00 am – 2:00 pm Monday to Friday. We will swim at Chestnut Hill Development Recreation Complex (CHDRC) from 2:00-3:00 pm Monday to Friday. For the safety of all campers, we ask that you walk your child into the main gymnasium when dropping them off and pick up is at CHDRC. Please ensure that you check your child in and out with the designated staff person. If someone else is picking up your child, please inform the staff in the morning. **Anyone that you have designated as alternate pick up contacts will be required to show PHOTO ID to camp staff prior to your child being released to their care. Please ensure that they are aware of this protocol.**

Please see below for daily drop off / pick up locations for this week:

	Aug. 8	Aug. 9	Aug. 10	Aug 11	Aug.12
AM Drop Off 8:50 am	Dunbarton HS – Main Gym OR Chestnut Hill Development Rec Centre East Salon	Dunbarton HS – Main Gym OR Chestnut Hill Development Rec Centre East Salon	Dunbarton HS – Main Gym OR Chestnut Hill Development Rec Centre East Salon	Dunbarton HS – Main Gym OR Chestnut Hill Development Rec Centre East Salon	8:50 am Chestnut Hill Development Rec Centre East Salon **Carnival Day at Kinsmen Park
PM Pick Up 3:15 pm	CHDRC - East Salon	CHDRC - East Salon	CHDRC - East Salon	CHDRC - East Salon	CHDRC - East Salon

Dunbarton Main Gym entrance by the pool doors (west side of the school by the soccer field, **not** through the front entrance of the school)

Absenteeism

If you know in advance that your child will be absent from camp, please send a note stating the camper's name and the date that they will be away. You can also contact me at alanahbroomfield@pickering.ca or by calling the Recreation Complex at 905.420.4660 ext.3246.

Special Trips

1. **Friday, August 12:** Sports camp will join with arts, adventure and eco adventure camp to participate in Carnival Day. Carnival Day will take place all morning and will replace all classes on Friday. **The busses will be leaving Chestnut Hill Development Recreation Centre at 9:00 am; if late, you will be required to drive your camper to Kinsmen Park.**

Rain location: Dunbarton High School (Gym)

Safe Arrivals

If you know ahead of time that your child will be absent from camp, please send a note stating the camper's name, and the day that they will be away. Attempts will be made to contact parents of campers who are absent without prior notification.

Swimming / Wrist Bands (please keep on for the full week at camp)

Campers will be swimming in the indoor pool at Chestnut Hill Developments Recreation Complex Monday to Friday from 2:00 p.m. - 2:45 pm. Campers should bring a towel (with their name on it or one that is easily identifiable) and bathing suit (in a separate bag) with them daily.

All campers 5 – 7 years are accompanied by camp staff with a 2:1 ratio. Campers 7 – 9 years wishing to swim (without a lifejacket) must demonstrate the ability to pass a swim test to the Lifeguard's satisfaction. Campers older than 10 are able to swim without taking the swim test as long as they are within the vicinity of a counselor and are confident with their swimming abilities.

For the swim test, children must swim 10 metres of the pool and tread water for 30 seconds. However, even if they do have a note and pass the swim test, there still must be a counsellor available to swim with them, as we must adhere to a 4:1 ratio, therefore your child may not be able to swim in the deep end of the large pool at all times. If your child will not be swimming for the day/week please send a note to let us know.

Wristbands are essential to the safety of your child at camp. We share the swimming pool with other camps and members of the public, and it is critical for us to be able to keep track of all campers and the wristbands allow us to do so to ensure no campers get lost.

Clothing

All campers are advised to wear comfortable clothing and are asked **not** to bring valuables to camp, as they will be responsible for their own belongings. **Please label campers belongings i.e. lunch bag, extra clothing, coats, towels etc.** This helps to avoid confusion when campers misplace their belongings, especially on the pool deck which is shared by various camps and members of the public. Also, please send indoor shoes (running shoes would be great!)

Lunches

Campers are required to bring their lunch with them to camp every day. It is recommended that they pack an extra drink, as they will find this refreshing after a busy day especially when the weather becomes hot. Sports campers are also given an opportunity to take a snack break in the morning, so pack an extra snack.

It is extremely important that your child comes to camp with a refillable water bottle especially as the weather gets hotter!

Allergies – Important Notice!

Please be sensitive to any food allergies that may be brought to your attention (i.e. peanut allergies that can be life threatening). For this reason, **Please do not pack peanuts, peanut products, or any products containing traces of nuts in your child's lunches for camp.** If staff are unsure of snacks (i.e. granola bars), campers will be asked not to eat them at camp. Please feel free to send a copy of the ingredients of any items we may be unsure of (i.e. cookies). Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Theme Days

Some days at Sports Camp are a unique and exciting theme. Campers are encouraged to participate and dress up for theme days to help their teams gain extra points! This week's theme is TORONTO SPORTS WEEK!

The following is a list of Sports Camp theme days and special events:

Monday, Aug. 8	Tuesday, Aug. 9	Wednesday, Aug. 10	Thursday, Aug. 11	Friday, Aug. 12
Basketball and Soccer Day!	Volleyball and Hockey Day	Baseball and Football Day	Track and Field Day	Carnival Day!
Wear a Toronto Raptors	Wear a Toronto Maple Leafs jersey or any hockey team	Wear a Toronto Blue Jays jersey or any baseball jersey	Hat, sunscreen, extra water	Wear Blue

Please complete and return (only those applicable to your child) on the second day of camp:

1. 2022 Camp Medication Form
2. City of Pickering, Photo/Model Release Form – allows staff to take pictures for City / Camp promotions

If you have any further questions or concerns please feel free to contact me, at ***alanahbroomfield@pickering.ca*** or call the Recreation Complex at 905.420.4660 ext.3246.

Looking forward to a great summer!

Alanah Broomfield
Director, Sports Camp