

Pelham Parks and Recreation

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TOT CAMP 2024 INTRO LETTER

Dear Parents,

We are proud to welcome you and your child to the Pelham Parks and Recreation Tot Summer Camp. At Tot Summer Camp, the Director and staff are committed to providing a safe and satisfying experience for your child. We are very excited about the upcoming camp program with new activities & some former favorites, guest readers, special shows and events, as well as innovative arts & crafts projects. The activities are age-appropriate to engage the young campers and their creative minds. Our dedicated and trained camp staff will offer our campers every opportunity for self-expression. Every effort will be made to foster a sense of security and well-being in your child. Our Tot Camp Director, Pattie Parece, has done an excellent job of planning. This is a Pelham Resident only program.

For many, this will be a new experience for both you and your child. All provisions and planning have been implemented to ensure a smooth transition into our camp. The camp will meet rain or shine on Tues and Thurs beginning July 19, 2024, until August 15, 2024. We ask that you adhere to the camp hours. Drop-off will be at 10:00 a.m. and pickup will be at 2:00 pm each day. Campers will be provided with a camp T-shirt on the first day of camp. The calendar will contain a listing of daily and special activities and is shared with the parents. The calendar is subject to change, as there may be weather or other issues requiring a change.

Pelham Park and Recreation Tot Campers Check List

- Campers should bring lunch and a snack each day. Please be sure to pack plenty of liquids to keep the children hydrated in the hot summer heat.
- Please sunscreen your little campers each morning prior to dropping them off. We will have extra sunscreen to re-apply as needed.
- We recommend bug spray.
- Please dress your campers in comfortable clothing, as we will be doing a lot of outdoor activities and creative/messy crafts.
- Please send a paint t-shirt or smock labeled with your child's name to leave at camp for the summer.
- Please pack a bathing suit and towel (labeled) each day of camp. We will be using sprinklers, slip and slide, and playing organized water games.
- Please follow car drop-off and pick-up procedures.
- If someone other than the parent is picking up a child, please have a written consent note dropped off prior to pick-up, preferably at morning drop-off.

Arrival/Departure-

Morning drop-off and pick-up will be in the form of a carpool lineup. Each camper will receive a carpool number on their 1st day. This is the safest way to keep all our young children away from all the moving cars in the park. No child will be released to an "unknown" or non-listed person. In case of an emergency, the camper will be released to the emergency-named person on the form used for such purposes at registration if the parent(s) cannot be reached.

Our Tot Camp Director is Pattie Parece who has been teaching children for the past 25+ years specializing in Young Child Growth & Development and Behavior. She has worked with special needs children, had been a Mentor for the Pelham School District SAU28, and was a former Steepletop Preschool teacher. There will be college and high school-aged counselors helping and younger teen volunteers. The camp is overseen by the P&R Director, Brian Johnson, and the Recreation Program Director, Janine Cabral. All staff is CPR and 1st Aid certified.

We also welcome volunteer teen Junior Leaders volunteers who will be joining in the fun this summer. This year our Tot Camp will feature weekly themes that will incorporate fun-filled learning and social opportunities. Each week the curriculum focuses on a unique theme that introduces pre-school age children to the exciting world around them. Hands-on creative activities, crafts, music & movement, science, cooking, storytelling, as well as outdoor fun, field trips, and guest presentations all in a nurturing caring, and learning environment. Children will enjoy their summer days making new friends, doing arts & crafts, playing games, experimenting with science & exploration, and more. Allowing children to experiment and explore using a variety of materials and supplies promotes creative thinking and nurtures the imagination.

Please don't hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns. We are looking forward to an exciting fun-filled summer!

Pelham Parks and Recreation and
Tot Camp Staff

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***IMPORTANT NOTE: Typically, no cellphone service at this park**