



Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to NTPR Summer Camp. We are so excited to have your child join us this summer and we are looking forward to an unforgettable summer filled with smiles, sun and fun!

In this packet you will find essential information regarding the 2024 Camp Season. Please carefully review all the information. This information is necessary for you and your child to understand so we can work together to create a positive and safe environment for campers and staff.

This packet includes:

- Camp Calendar
- FAQs
- Trip Itinerary
- Camp Source App User Guide: We are excited to introduce our new Camp Source app, designed to enhance communication and convenience for both parents and campers. You will receive an invitation to download the app at the beginning of June. Through this platform, you will have access to trip details, the camp calendar, photos, and receive push notifications for alerts and messages.

Please note that you must **register** for the trips your child is going to attend by **June 1st**- Trips are not included in the camp fee (with the exception of Camp Carnival Day).

Thank you for entrusting us with your child. Please rest assured that we will cherish and nurture them as if they were our own. Should you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact us.



CAMP EXPLORE



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
America Week	June 24 First Day of CAMP	25	26	Ultrazone Laser Tag Trip 	28 Water Ice Day Dress in Red White and Blue!
Beach Week	July 1	2 Limbo Contest and Dress in Hawaiian Shirts	Roller Skating 3 	4 4th of July 	5 4th of July
Spirit Week	8 Mix it up Monday	9 Crazy Hair Day	The Game is Afoot Trip 10 	11	12 Foolsie Friday (Pajama Dress Day)
Buddy Bash Week	15	Buddy Relay Races 16 	Twin Day! Dress like your bestie! 17 	Urban Air Trip 18 	19
Adventure Week	Field Day 22 	23	Pirate Day 24 	Camp Carnival Day 25 	Picture Day 26
Philly Sports Week	 Eagles Green Monday 29	Phillies Red Day 30 	31	August 1 Thunderbird Lanes Trip 	76ers Blue Day 2
Talent Week	5	6	7 Camper Talent Show	8 Counselor Talent Show	Last Day of CAMP 9

**NORTHAMPTON TOWNSHIP
PARKS AND RECREATION
2024 FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS – CAMP EXPLORE**

Schedule/Camp Location

- Camp will be offered for 7 weeks: June 24- August 9 (no camp July 4th and 5th), Monday-Friday 930AM-12:30PM
- Camp is held inside Rolling Hills Elementary School and on the Rolling Hills grounds at 340 Middle Holland Rd, Holland, PA 18966

When can I drop my child off? What is the latest I can pick my camper up? What is the procedure?

- Children are dropped off and dismissed at the doors on the side of the building. Parents may stay in the car, but while doing so, maintain the line in the order in which you arrive. The line will form a circular pattern. Traffic will enter the side parking lot off of Middle Holland Road, staying to the right and following around to the side doors. During dismissal, if you choose to park the car, you must come and get your child. No child will be permitted to enter the parking area alone. If you are in the car line, please do not leave your vehicle, as this is a safety hazard. Please be patient. Please have your child's name placard hanging from the rearview mirror.
- Campers **CANNOT BE** dropped off earlier than 9:25 AM or picked up any later than 12:30 PM.
- Some trip days campers are asked to arrive early, or they will be picked up later (see trip itinerary).
- Please be patient, the first week is always a little rocky as we find our footing and adjust where necessary, we will get there!

What will camp look like for my child on a regular camp day?

- Campers are divided into smaller groups according to the grade they are entering in September. These groups will remain together with 3 - 4 staff members throughout the summer. Each group of campers enjoys indoor and outdoor intramural sports such as kickball, tennis baseball, dodgeball and so many more, appropriate games for each age level, special activities, themed days and special guests, and LOTS and LOTS of FUN!
- Camp Carnival Day will be Thursday, July 25th at the Civic Center Basin. This camp favorite will bring all of campers of Camps Adventure, Explore and Expedition together at the Civic Center Basin to enjoy inflatable rides, games, face painting, karaoke, food and refreshments, the famous Camp Leader Talent Show and more. Let the FUN begin!! Details to follow.
- A trip is scheduled approximately once/week.

How do trips work?

- **YOUR CHILD MUST BE REGISTERED FOR ALL TRIPS THEY WISH TO ATTEND NO LATER THAN JUNE 1ST** to be eligible to attend. **NO EXCEPTIONS!** This is due to the reservation requirements of the establishments we are travelling to and to ensure we have ordered enough buses. **There are no refunds for camp trips** as many of the trips are already paid for.
- If your child is scheduled to go on the trip, a set time to report to camp is in your trip itinerary and will have been announced several times leading up to the trip day. Your child must arrive at camp by that time, or they risk missing the bus. **The bus will not wait for your child.**
- For his/her safety, your child is given a camp T-shirt, which is to be worn, without exception, on all trips. If your child comes to camp on a day he/she is registered for a trip without their camp T-shirt, we will have extra shirts available, but a \$10.00 fee will be assessed for the cost of the shirt.
- Some children may choose to remain at the camp during trips, (with the exception of Camp Carnival Day) It is ultimately your decision whether you would like to send your child on the trip or have them stay back at camp. We promise, there is still lots of fun happening back at camp!*
- **a minimum number of children must be in attendance for at least 2 staff members to stay back from a trip, if that minimum is not met, camp cannot be held for children not registered for the trip on that particular day*

What are your staff requirements? What kind of training do they have?

- Our staff is amazing! Camp Explore will be led by our very experienced site leader who has been with NTRP for many years. Each group of campers will be led by one experienced Group Leader who has significant experience with our camp program, working with children and often have a degree or seeking a degree in Education. We also have a few new counselors who we are excited to welcome to the camp family. They are all super enthusiastic and very caring!
- Our counselors are at camp to make a difference in the lives of your child. We are fortunate to have many returning staff members each summer. Our staff is cleared through a national criminal and child abuse clearance and are required to have CPR/First Aid certification.

What happens if someone else is picking up my child?

- If your child is going home with a friend, or someone other than you will be picking your child up on a given day, please send a note in with your child indicating who will be picking him/her up. That person **MUST** be ready to show the proper identification to the camp leader in order for us to release your child. Prior written notification is preferred.
- In the event of an emergency or last-minute change, the parent must call the Camp Leader or the Camp Director and give verbal consent. The staff member on the phone will take the information given and record it on a "Verbal Consent for Release of Child" form. The person picking up will be asked to show proper identification in order for the child to be released.
- **YOUR CHILD WILL NEVER BE RELEASED TO ANYONE WITHOUT PARENTAL CONSENT**

What should my child bring to camp everyday and where do they keep their belongings?

- Campers should bring a refillable water bottle, and sunscreen with their names **CLEARLY MARKED** on each item.
- Campers' belongings will be kept in their classroom/gym. Please leave toys, games, trading cards, and other personal extras at home and refrain from bringing these items to camp- we are not responsible for these items and they cause a distraction to the camp day.
- **All campers and staff must wear SNEAKERS in order to participate. Campers should wear well-fitting, comfortable clothing to move and play in.**

What if my child is taking prescription medication that is required during the camp day?

- Any camper requiring medication during the camp day must have a signed "Medication Log" form on file.
- All medication must be clearly marked with dosage requirements in the original bottle provided by the pharmacist.
- The Camp Directors or Group Leaders dispense and record the medicine daily when it is given to the camper.

What if I wish to speak to my child during camp? Are children allowed to carry cell phones?

- Cell phones are not permitted at camp by staff or campers. We take the safety and well-being of our campers, your children, very seriously. Cell phones at camp present a multitude of safety hazards, not to mention they are expensive and can easily be misplaced or lost. Different parents have different rules regarding what is appropriate for their children to view, whether they want their child's picture taken, posted on social media, etc. It is impossible to navigate all of this at camp. Camp is an environment where children and staff laugh, communicate, and enjoy physical exercise. They make connections. There is simply no room for a cell phone. If your child is seen with a cell phone, we will place it at the front desk. If your child needs a cell phone for a reason outside of camp, they can check it in at the front desk in the morning and retrieve it before they leave for the day.
- In the event you need to reach your child or the camp staff, please do not hesitate to contact the Site Leader (green shirt) and they will help you. This phone number is provided in the paper newsletter distributed on the morning of the first day of camp. You may, of course, contact the Camp directly with any concerns or questions at 215-357-5396 or you may call the Parks and Recreation Office at 215-357-6800 and someone from the department will do their best to help you.

How will I know what my child is doing during the camp day?

- A weekly newsletter will be distributed via email and CAMP SOURCE APP reporting on the week that has passed and what events are coming up the following week. We also encourage you to have THE BEST dinner table conversations EVER!! Your child's day will be jam packed with fun and there will be plenty to share!
- The **CAMP SOURCE APP**-You will receive an email to download the CAMP SOURCE APP. In the email, you will find your username and password. The Camp Source App is a tool where you will find our camp newsfeed, pictures, push notifications, camp trips and events, and any important documents you may need.
- This is our first year using the Camp Source App, please bear with us as we are learning the app as well.

What is expected of my child at camp?

- Camp participants are expected to exhibit appropriate behavior at all times while at camp. In order to provide all campers and staff with a positive camp experience that is safe and enjoyable for EACH child, the following guidelines have been developed.
- A caring approach will be taken regarding discipline. Camp staff will foster appropriate behavior through positive reinforcement, firm statements and redirection of activity. Your children are coming to camp with the expectation that they will:
 - Talk in a pleasant manner. Foul language, putdowns and bullying will not be accepted.
 - Be safe! Always follow camp and pool rules, bus rules and respect staff.
 - Treat all equipment and supplies with proper care and respect.
 - Show respect for the Parks and Recreation staff, bus drivers and fellow campers.
 - Aggressive behavior that is threatening to the child, staff or others will not be permitted at camp.
 - Have a positive attitude and have fun!
- Please review these guidelines with your child.

WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO SPENDING THE SUMMER WITH YOUR CHILD!

Northampton Township Parks and Recreation
Camp Explore Rolling Hills Elementary School

2024 Trip Itinerary

June 24- August 9

*The following document will give you all of the information you will need to prepare your child for his/her trips. Grades referenced are the grades children are entering in the Fall. Please keep this information as a reference throughout the summer. Updates/changes will be made in the weekly newsletter. Please note campers **MUST** be registered to attend trips by **June 1st**. If your child is not registered for the trip, they cannot attend. **No refunds will be given for trips.***

Thursday, June 27, 2024

Ultrazone Laser Tag, Bensalem

Campers will need to arrive at Rolling Hills by 9:15 AM if they are registered for this trip. The participants will be divided into teams of 15 and sent into a briefing room where they will learn the rules of the game. After two teams have been briefed, they will be sent into a supervised Combat Room where they will be "under attack" for twenty minutes and groups will rotate in and out of play. Campers will enjoy an included pizza lunch. The facility also hosts video games, air hockey, and vending machines. Campers can bring extra pocket money so they can play while not engaged in a laser tag game. Camp Explore has exclusive use of Ultrazone during our time there. The bus will return to Rolling Hills by 12:30pm.

Trip Fee: \$42.00

Wednesday, July 3, 2024

Philly Skate Plex, Philadelphia

Campers registered for this trip will arrive to Rolling Hills by 8:45 AM. The children will be able to skate until 12:30 PM. (Skate rental is included in our contract; however, those who wish to bring their own rollerblades may do so.) Campers will receive pizza and a soda for lunch. Campers who are ages 10 and under will also enjoy the Playzone activity area! Extra pocket money is required for snacks and/or video games (14 game credits are included). If your child would like to rent a cone/walker to help them skate, please bring extra money to do so as they are not included in the fee. The bus will return to Rolling Hills at approximately 1:00PM.

Trip Fee: \$40.00

Wednesday, July 10, 2024

The Game is Afoot, Warrington

Campers registered for this trip should arrive at Rolling Hills no later than 9:15 AM. Campers will enjoy a 1980's arcade all to themselves! Every game is available, and no extra tokens are necessary! From Centipede to Donkey Kong to Pinball and everything in between! Campers will arrive back at Rolling Hills by 12:45 PM.

Trip Fee: \$35.00

Thursday, July 18, 2024

Urban Air, Willow Grove

Campers registered for this trip will need to arrive at Rolling Hills no later than 9:15AM. Urban Air is way more than a trampoline park! It's the ultimate adventure park where kids of all ages can explore all of the trampoline fun plus thrilling attractions such as Warrior Course, Sky Rider, Drop Zone, climbing walls and more! Socks are included! Lunch is provided and includes pizza and a drink. The campers will arrive back at Rolling Hills by 12:30 PM. **A waiver is required for this trip: please see attached for waiver, the waiver is a "hard copy" NOT online.**

Trip Fee: \$56.00

Thursday, July 25, 2024

Camp Carnival Day, Civic Center Basin

This camp favorite will bring all of the campers from Camps Adventure, Explore and Expedition together at the Civic Center Basin to enjoy inflatable rides, games, face painting, karaoke, food and refreshments, the famous Camp Leader Talent Show and more. Let the FUN begin!! If you are not attending Camp Carnival Day, there will be NO CAMP as all the staff will be involved in Carnival Day. Campers will be going to the pool. **Details to follow.**

Trip Fee: included in camp fee

Friday, July 26th is Camp Picture Day-wear your camp t-shirt! Order forms will be sent home. Please return BEFORE picture day.

Thursday, August 1, 2024

Glow Bowling, Warminster

Campers will need to arrive by 9:15 AM if they are registered for this trip. The participants will be divided into groups of 6 and a counselor to form a lane. Campers will bowl under the neon lights! They will enjoy a pizza lunch with a drink. Fee includes bowling shoes. Children will need extra money if they wish to purchase an additional snack or drink. The bus will return to Rolling Hills by 12:30pm.

Trip Fee: \$35.00

Welcome to the Camp App!



Welcome to the Camp App! NTPR is taking communication to the next level by using the Camp App to improve interaction and engage with parents directly through the App. Camp parents can now connect to as many camps with as many of your kids as you need to. Have one kid in Camp Quest and another in Camp Explore? No problem! Make sure to review this User Guide in full before getting started and use all the App features to enhance your camp experience!

Joining Your Camp

New Camp App users will receive an automated email from our system when your information is uploaded into our system. The email will include login credentials and a link to the App in the Apple Store for iPhones or Google Play store for Android devices. The default login is the email provided at registration, along with password 123456. The password should be changed to something more personal after logging in the first time. Once logged in, a **My Camps** screen will appear with all the camps your children are enrolled in. Click it to view the camp information and join the camp. If your camp is not listed there, please contact Parks and Recreation at 215-357-5396 to get enrolled on the App. Each email address will allow two logins on separate devices so both parents or other family members can have access to the App. **All system emails including those with login credentials come from noreply@thesummercampsources.com. If you do not see these emails, please search your system for them. Make sure to add this email to your address book so it does not get caught in spam.

App Menu Items

Once you have joined, the app will start on the "Newsfeed" screen. The Camp App menu is located at the three small lines in the top right of the App. When you click those lines, a menu will pop out to show: "My Profile", "Calendar" and "My Camps".

My Profile: *Updating Your Account Information*

Access profile information in the Camp App Menu. Click on "My Profile" in the menu to see or change account details, child's details, add a picture of your child, and see which camp you are currently viewing in the App. Emails cannot be updated since they are attached to login credentials. If changing emails, please notify your camp to create a new account for you.

View "My Camps "

Access "My Camps" information in the Camp App Menu. Click on "My Camps" in the menu to see all the camps you have enrolled in. Once a camp has completed it will stay in "My Camps" for you to look back on. Camps can also send information after camp ends to alert you of upcoming registrations or events.

Family Members Access

The Camp App will allow TWO users to be logged in using the same login credentials on different devices. This will allow for a maximum of two parents/guardians to use the app at one time. If different family members wish to view the app, someone has to log out in order to allow someone else to login using the same email and password.

Tracking Notifications

One of the best features of the Camp App is that it will send a notification anytime something is posted, uploaded or shared on the App so you never miss a thing! If there are multiple kids attending multiple camps, this could still be a lot to keep track of. In the top right of the App you will notice a **bell icon** which is your Notification Tracker. Anytime a notification is sent from any camps you are enrolled in, it will be listed in the tracker. Click on any notification listed in the tracker and it will go directly to the screen in the App where it was posted. All notifications for all kids in all camps are listed in order in the tracker.

App Features

The Camp App has many features to enhance your camp experience! When in the app, it will always start on your Camp Newsfeed. All camp features are listed in the bottom of the app to include: "News", "Documents", "Trips and Events" and "Gallery".

You will receive a notification anytime something new is posted in the App so you are always in the loop on camp updates, reminders, and activities. If enrolled in multiple camps at the same time, you may have to toggle between camps to see which camp the notification came from. You can do this in the Notification Tracker or by going to your "My Camps" list in the menu.

Here is an overview on what each feature provides

Camp Newsfeed: View any updates and reminders from your camp. Camps may also post fun and engaging content to let you see some of the things they are doing throughout the day!

Pictures: Both these features are listed in the Gallery menu item and separated by a tab on that screen. Camps can upload picture galleries with all the great pictures they took at camp or on a trip. Pictures can be viewed and downloaded directly to your mobile device.

Camp Calendar: Located in the top right of the App, click the Calendar to see all your child's trips, events, and activities. Check with your camp first to make sure that they are using the Calendar in the App. If you do not see your schedules here, your camp may have put them in the Document Center.

Camp Documents: Camps can upload all their schedules, manuals, handouts, supplemental material, and other important information they want to get to you in this section. You can view or download them directly to your mobile device.

Trips and Events: Camps will post detailed information about your camp field trips or camp events. You can toggle between both camp trips and camp events when you view this section and see times, descriptions, and what campers need to bring.

Thank you again for joining the Camp App family! We hope you enjoy the Camp App and it enhances your camp experience! If you have any questions on the App please contact your Parks and Recreation directly or visit the Support page on the app website.