

# TEEN TRAVEL CAMP



Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to Vernon Hills Park District's Teens Helping Hands Camp!

Join us enjoy a summer full of excitement!

**Camp Director:** Ms. Maria Elizarraraz,

**Camp Counselor:** Ms. Nathalie

## **Welcome form the Site Director**

Hi- my name is Maria Elizarraraz. I have three children- two boys and one girl! I have a Bachelor's Degree in Sociology with a minor in Psychology from DePaul University. I am a soccer mom and love watching my boys play. I also volunteer weekly at different non-profit organizations. I am excited for summer camp and look forward to meeting you and your wonderful children!

## **Location, Drop Off & Pick Up**

Drop Off and pick up for Teens Travel Camp will be on the patio, to the right of the main doors of the Sullivan Community Center.

Please note that the earliest time to drop-off is 8:00am. Pick up will be available starting 2:45 pm.

## **Please note!**

Our camp staff must have a note from the camper's parent/guardian in order to allow them to get a ride home with a person not listed on the emergency/transportation pick up information

Children enrolled in Extended Care will be walked to Extended Care inside the Sullivan Community Center after Camp.

## **Camp Days:**

Camp runs from 8:00 am – 3:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

There will be no camp on Thursday, July 3 and Friday, July 4.

We will be spending our time outdoors. Teen Campers will also have the opportunity (on selected days and times) to visit the skate park during camp. However, in order to participate on the skate park, campers will need to wear a helmet at all times.

## **NEW!! ePact Network for Camp Forms:**

All camp forms such as Camp Data Forms including emergency contacts and authorized pick up, Food Allergy Care Plan, Medication Form and Walking/Biking Waiver need to be completed online via ePact.

After registering, families will receive an email from ePact to set up or reconfirm their child's account.

Please make sure to complete and submit all necessary forms through ePact before the first day of camp.

## **Absences**

In case your child is absent from camp, please call the Camp Site Director before the start of the camp day. For the safety of the children, please notify us anytime your child will not be at camp. Camp staff is directed to contact you if you do not report an absence.

## **Lunch Time**

Please pack a lunch and several snacks for your child every day. Please pack snack & lunches in insulated, reusable lunch boxes since we do not have a refrigerator at camp.

## **Water bottles:**

Please provide your camper with a water bottle to use every day.

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## **Proper Attire**

Please send your camper in comfortable, weather appropriate clothing and tennis shoes (please, NO sandals, flip-flops, except on pool days). Please also send sunscreen with your camper every day, since we are outside daily. Please apply sunscreen before camp. Campers will have opportunities to reapply sunscreen (provided by the parent/guardian) by themselves throughout the day. If assistance is needed, staff may spray a child with spray-on sunscreen provided by the parent/guardian; however, they will not be able to assist in rubbing it in. Hats and sunglasses provide additional protection from the sun. Please mark all of your child's belongings (water bottle, backpack, clothes, etc.) with their name.

## **Personal Items**

We urge that campers DO NOT bring possessions of any type of value to camp. When items are lost or broken, it makes the experience upsetting to the camper rather than fun. It is a situation we hope to completely avoid.

## **Inclement weather**

In the event of inclement weather and/or extreme heat, we have indoor space available at the Sullivan Community Center. Signs will direct you to the proper room for drop off and pick up.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.  
We are looking forward to a great summer!

Kindly,  
Anna Swain