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Welcome Safari and Teen Camp families to Summer Camp 2025!

Biddeford Recreation is thrilled to have you join us for a summer filled with fun, sun, and memories! We are excited to share a little preview about what you can expect this season and some key details as you make plans for your summer with our day camps.

Biddeford Recreation Camp Coordinator: My name is Brittany Hall, and I joined the Biddeford Recreation team in January as the Coordinator for Camps and Enrichment Programs. This is a full circle experience for me as one of my first jobs was as a Biddeford Recreation Camp Counselor. This set the stage for my career path working in youth development; following years of work within the school community and in the Cub Care program, I am so excited to embark on this new journey with Biddeford Recreation leading our camp programs!

Location: The J. Richard Martin Community Center will be our site again this year. We plan to utilize the space to its fullest potential by creating individual classroom spaces for each group to have as a home base and exploring the other spaces we have to offer. Most of our participants know we have a gymnasium but did you know we also have an auditorium? There are so many great possibilities within these spaces!

Dates: Biddeford Recreation Day Camps will be held June 23-August 15, 2025. Schedule is subject to change dependent on end of year school calendar and may be impacted by snow day closures.

Camp Hours: For those that participated in summer camp 2024, you spoke and we heard you: we took notice that last summer's camp hours made planning challenging for some of our families. For your convenience, this year, camp will operate 7:30am to 5:30pm. It will give more flexibility to those that need it.

Calendars: We are currently working on developing our schedule for trips and activities with vendors as they open for the summer season. Get ready for more interactive guests joining us onsite! Be prepared to embark on more robust trips! Look forward to activities geared toward the children's interests! And don't forget our end of the summer celebration! Our calendar will highlight special events, exciting trips, weekly themes, and themed days (ex. Move Monday)! There will be plenty to explore and opportunities to find something new to enjoy! From crafts to sports to art and more, there is something for everyone this summer at Biddeford Recreation. We plan to have complete activity calendars for June/July available early June and our August calendar available in July - stay tuned to our website for more details!

Meals: We anticipate partnering with the Biddeford School Nutrition Program to provide FREE breakfast and lunch for every camper here at camp. Menus may be available to families as the Nutrition Program supplies it to us which may vary.

Registration and Payments: Enrollment opens Tuesday, April 1st for residents and registration forms will be available online starting March 4th to give families time to prepare their forms. Please fill out the Inclusion Request Form also as it is an essential tool for us to provide the best care, catered to each camper.

Payment options for 2025 include the discounted Full Summer Option and weekly:

- **Full Summer rate:** A deposit of \$500 is required at time of registration and all payments must be complete by Friday, June 13th to maintain your discount. Full Summer Rates for Safari Camp and Grades 6-8 Camp are posted online.
- **Weekly Option:** This option provides the flexibility to select specific weeks your child will attend. Priority will be given to Full-Time enrollments and weekly rates will be available starting Tuesday, May 6th for weeks that still have availability. You may submit enrollment forms in April, but we cannot guarantee weekly availability. Only weeks registered and paid for will be guaranteed. Weekly Rates for Safari Camp and Grades 6-8 Camp are posted online.
- **Payment Plans are available!** Email summercamp@biddefordmaine.org for more information.
- **Financial Aid applications for scholarships are available!** To be eligible, all forms must be submitted by March 3rd, 2025 to Recreation Director, Lisa Thompson at lisa.thompson@biddefordmaine.org.

For any questions as we head into summer, please email us at summercamp@biddefordmaine.org.

Save the Date: Camp Open House, Friday June 20th. *Additional details TBD.*

We are ready and ROARing to go for summer fun!

See you this Summer!

Brittany Hall - Program Coordinator: Summer Camp and Enrichment Programs