

February 25, 2020

Greeting Parents,

I have heard from many of you about our camps, programs, and events. Thank you for your input. Every comment, suggestion, and concern has been considered and addressed. I am happy and excited to inform you of many new programs we are looking to bring to our town. I am working towards American Camp Association accreditation and this year we will welcome a new Camp Director to oversee camp. I am very pleased to announce that the Newport YMCA has invited our camp staff to attend a week-long training to ensure that your child has the most rewarding, safe, and fun summer possible. Our Summer Camp staff consists of supervisory staff with many years of childcare experience, also College and High School aged individuals who are trained by the YMCA and CPR/First Aid certified.

About ACA ACA is a leading authority in youth development, ACA works to preserve, promote, and improve the camp experience. Our association is committed to helping our members and all camps provide:

- Camp communities committed to a safe, nurturing environment
 - Caring, competent adult role models
 - Healthy, developmentally appropriate experiences
 - Service to the community and the natural world
 - Opportunities for leadership and personal growth
- Discovery, experiential education, and learning opportunities
 - Excellence and continuous self-improvement

New to our “Best of Both” camp... Early Bird Registration. See fees on page 3.

It has been a pleasure serving the Portsmouth community. Please feel free to reach out to me with suggestions for other programs you would like to see hosted by the town. 2020 will be one of the best years yet!

“Keep calm and camp on”

Warm Regards,

Wendy Bulk

Director of Parks and Recreation, Town of Portsmouth

Here is what will be returning.

“Best of Both Camps”

Camps will be held at **Glen Park** and **Sandy Point Beach**.

Inclement weather days will be hosted at Melville School.

Camp hours: 7:30am–5pm; aftercare 5pm–5:30

Sandy Point Pee Wees

Ages 5–8

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at Glen Park.

Tuesday and Thursday at Sandy Point Beach

Beachy Big Shots

Ages 9–13

Monday, Wednesday and Friday at Sandy Point Beach

Tuesday and Thursday at Glen Park

Age group flexibility... We will allow for ages 7–9 to choose either camp. Parents will have the option to pick what is most suitable and convenient for their child/children.

Their level of maturity can determine which group they will fit into better.

Fieldtrip/Field Event Fridays will return!

Back by Popular demand.

Picnic & Pony Rides, Knucklebones, and Norman Bird Sanctuary.

We are looking at the following field trip/field events:

**Paddle boarding and Popsicles, Rock–climbing, Simmons Farm, Railway Explorers,
and more!**

NEW... Every Thursday lunch and learn!
Whether at the beach or at Glen Park, children will learn about nature and create something related to what they learned.
We will serve lunch and a healthy side and pink lemonade soda!

Registration opens February 10, 2020

Early Bird Registration. Receive 10% off your weekly “Best of Both Camp” if your child is registered between February 10th – April 1st. A \$20 deposit is required (will be deducted from weekly payment along with the 10%) for each week of registration.

Specialty camps, field trips/field events are NOT included in this discount.

“Best of Both” Camp Fees

Resident Fees:

\$180 per week or \$40 per day.

Sibling Discount: \$150 per week, \$35 per day.

*Please note: every child in family will receive the \$150/\$35 rate.

Non-resident Fees:

\$200 per week or \$45 per day.

Sibling Discount: \$175 per week \$40 per day.

**Please note: every child in family will receive the \$175/\$40 rate.

Children must attend camp at least 3 days.

Financial assistance is available.

New Specialty Camps



What is Snapology?#

Snapology is a new learning concept that combines play with education. We provide a fun, interactive environment for children to learn science, technology, engineering, art math, robotics and video game design concepts using LEGO® bricks, K'Nex and technology.

Ages 4-14

9am-12pm

July 27th-31st

A snack and juice will be provided

Location: The Leonard Brown House, 121 Linden Lane, Portsmouth

Resident \$165 / Non-resident \$175

CIRCUIT LAB

Circuit Makers 101

Let's get creative with electricity! In this class, students explore creating their own electronics. We will design custom light-up greeting cards, electric mazes, flashlights, and more, while learning how to work with lights, buzzers, switches, motors, and sensors. Each class day consists of a circuitry lesson and a hands-on electronics project to take home.

Ages 6-8

9am-12pm

August 10th-14th

A snack and juice will be provided

Location: The Leonard Brown House, 121 Linden Lane, Portsmouth

Resident \$165 / Non-resident \$175

CIRCUIT LAB

Hands-On Electronics

Tinker with electronics while learning the basics of computer programming. We begin with the fundamentals of electronics and circuitry, experimenting with LEDs, resistors, motors, and programming, and work up to projects where students design their own interactive devices using Arduino Uno microcontrollers. Each class day gives participants the chance to design a hands-on project with the guidance of Circuit Lab instructors.

Ages 9-12

1pm-4pm

August 10th-14th

A snack and juice will be provided

Location: The Leonard Brown House, 121 Linden Lane, Portsmouth

Resident \$165 / Non-resident \$175



Tennis with Tina Camp

Tina's teaching style is dynamic and personal.

Using a game-based approach or "play to learn" theme, the student can get into points and game play from the start. The goal is, after learning through a progression of drills and games specific to each level of play, for the student to develop the "passion" to play.

Ages 7-12

1) June 29th-July 2nd (rain date July 3rd) 9am-11.30am

2) July 27th-July 30th (rain date July 31st) 9am-11.30am

A snack and juice will be provided

Location: Portsmouth High Tennis Courts

\$155 Resident / Non-resident \$165 per week



Volleyball

Our mission at SURGE is to provide every opportunity for youth to learn to play volleyball.

If children can start out at an early age, it will provide great benefits as they mature.

Developmental Volleyball is for those who have some experience playing but would like to develop their skills further. Developmental and Learn to play are for any child, boys and girls, ages 10 and up who want to learn more about the game in a fun and engaging way!

Official SURGE t-shirts will be available for purchase for \$11.

Dates, times and location to be determined

\$25 each 2-hour session

Specialty camps, please note: weeks, dates, times, and locations are subject to change, and be cancelled due to low enrollment.

All registered applicants will be notified well in advance of any changes.



How to be a great babysitter

This 6-hour course is fast paced, interactive and fun! Lots of "hands on" practice using adult and infant manikins. Games and role play are used throughout the program to enhance learning.

Topics discussed: Adult/child/infant/CPR, choking, use of an AED, changing and feeding a baby, babysitting safety and prevention of injury, elements of first aid for the young child, stages

of child development/games and activities to play, and getting your

babysitting business started

Dates, times and location to be determined

\$85/6-hour course

Camps and programs, we are looking at:

- ~Find your Inner Strength Camp with Fearless Performances
- ~SHIHAN martial arts self-defense anti-bullying
- ~Mount Hope Park Paddle Boarding and Kayaking

Weeks, dates and times for programs and events will be determined and scheduled by mid-March.

Flag Football will be returning!!!! Registration will open mid-July.

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