



# County of Fairfax, Virginia

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February 1, 2017

Dear Parents/Guardians of Participants of  
Camp Goodtimes on the Road, Road Rulz, and All Specialty Camps:

This summer will prove to be an exciting and fun-filled one for campers whether they participate in Camp Goodtimes on the Road, Road Rulz, or learn new skills and make new friends at one of the 70 sessions of Specialty Camps offered this year!

In order to help make things run smoothly, it is important for you to read this welcome letter in its entirety, as well as the Camper Handbook:

## For all camps:

- § It is **imperative** that all camp forms be completed, signed, and returned to Reston Community Center no later than May 15;
- § Please read the Camper Handbook with your child. It contains useful information;
- § **All campers must wear closed-toe shoes every day**, keep hair tied back and neat, and refrain from wearing dangling jewelry, lanyards, or scarves. Those who arrive in sandals, "heelie-wheelies", flip-flops, or Crocs will not be permitted to participate in Camp activities;
- § Please apply sunscreen to campers prior to coming to Camp;
- § Campers should eat a good, healthy breakfast before arriving at Camp;
- § Campers need to bring their lunch, snacks, and drinks to Camp each day. They are not permitted to leave the building to purchase these items. Due to typical hot summer weather, campers need to bring a full water bottle each day as well;
- § Camp begins promptly at 9:00 a.m. Please walk your camper into the building at Reston Community Center Hunters Woods, sign him/her in at the appropriate Camp, and be prompt when picking him/her up from Camp in the afternoon. For more information on late fees, consult the Camper Handbook;
- § Campers may also be enrolled in Zen Zone, an aftercare program, from 4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Registration for Zen Zone is separate from camp registration, and must be done prior to the week that the camper will attend camp;
- § If a camper is unable to attend camp due to illness, change of plans, etc., siblings, relatives, and/or friends of the camper may not be substituted in his/her absence. Parents/guardians of the absent camper may cancel his/her enrollment, and campers from the waiting list will be notified by RCC staff.



**For Camp Goodtimes and Road Rulz Participants:**

- § Buses are generally on a tight schedule and cannot wait for tardy campers. Due to the number of campers attending, staff is unable to phone campers to determine whether or not they plan to attend for the day;
- § Please dress campers in swimsuits (and provide towels, goggles, a change of clothes, and a plastic bag (for wet items)) on swim days;
- § Complete the t-shirt order information included with the camp forms no later than May 15. Orders will be placed at that time and will not be placed again during the summer. If that information is lacking, the camper's size will be estimated based on his/her age;
- § Campers will be given t-shirts on the first day that they attend Camp, and wristbands displaying the Camp cell phone number and RCC's main number each Monday. Campers **must** wear t-shirts and wristbands every day, no exceptions;
- § For **Road Rulz** participants, please note that the **new camp hours are 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.** Road Rulz participants do not receive camp t-shirts or wristbands.

**For All Specialty Camp Participants:**

- § Parents/guardians must walk campers to their appropriate classrooms at the beginning of Camp, and meet them promptly when Camp is concluded;
- § Campers who attend both morning and afternoon sessions of Specialty Camps will have lunch with other campers in the Pool Overlook. Camp staff will supervise during that time;
- § Morning Specialty Camps run from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.; afternoon Specialty Camps run from 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Campers who are enrolled in afternoon sessions of Specialty Camp will be eligible to register for Zen Zone (aftercare from 4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.) for the week that they are attending afternoon Specialty Camps sessions. Registration for Zen Zone is separate from camp registration, and must be done prior to the week that the camper will attend Camp;
- § For teen specialty camps that occur off-site (Paintball, Rock Climbing, and Archery), please meet at the Pool Overlook at 8:00 a.m. and sign-in. Campers may sign themselves out upon return to RCC.

If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact me by phone at: (703) 390-6163, or email me at: [Deborah.Heron@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:Deborah.Heron@fairfaxcounty.gov).

We're looking forward to having a great summer!

Sincerely,

*Deborah A. Heron*

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