

DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION

Dear Parent/Guardian:

It is a pleasure to welcome your child/children to the 2018 Summer Playground Program. The Recreation Department has been sponsoring a summer program for Kenosha's youth since 1908. In addition to welcoming you, the purpose of this letter is to summarize our expectations of you as a parent/guardian, as well as informing you of what to expect from us.

First, you can expect supervision of your child/children from 9:45am – 3:15pm. Monday through Friday from June 20th through July 30th. We will be coordinating many outdoor activities, as well as structured arts and crafts. We do want to inform you that occasionally your child/children will be asked to go on a field trip (most of them walking). The field trips will be posted in advance, and permission slips will be sent home for you to sign. During these field trips, both Directors will be absent from the Playground. We are not allowed to transport children in our own vehicles for any reason.

Second, our playgrounds are designed to service children between the ages of 6 to 12 (as of 8/31/18). We ask that parents of the younger children (6-8) use common sense when sending your children to the playground. We ask that you consider sending them for shorter periods of time. You may also want to send a lunch or a snack and drink with them if they are going to be at the playground more than a few hours. We highly recommend they have a refillable water bottle daily.

Third, while we are eager to supervise the many children who attend our playground daily, we want to remind parents that the two of us are not trained or equipped to provide full-time **DAY-CARE**. Our directors are not responsible to hold, handle or administer medication of **any** kind. They are not trained to do so. Please remind your child to sign in and out each time they come to and leave the Playground Program. There will be no supervision after 3:15 p.m., so we ask that you be prompt if picking up the children. We have been instructed to call the Child Crisis Line if late pickup becomes a problem.

Again, welcome to our playground. We hope to see your child throughout the summer, and we are looking forward to your cooperation in making this a great summer for your child/children. Your child/ren has been asked to have you fill out an emergency form for us to keep on file at the playground. We ask that you complete all information requested and be sure that your child returns the form the next time he/she comes to Playground. Children will not be allowed to participate if they return to the playground without the completed emergency form. If you have any questions, please stop by to talk to the directors or call the Recreation Department at 359-6225.

Sincerely,

Playground Directors