

CLUBHOUSE CAMP

AGES 6-12 • 8 WEEKS • JUNE 26 - AUGUST 18

GREAT SUMMERS START **HERE.**

2023 PARENT-CAMPER HANDBOOK



BOYS & GIRLS CLUB
OF GREENWICH

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2023 Clubhouse Camp Information

Welcome to the Boys & Girls Club of Greenwich's Clubhouse Camp. We are committed to providing your child with a fun experience, and an opportunity to make new friends and have a great summer! Below is some information that will be helpful for you and your child this summer.

- 1. Sessions and Dates**

8, one-week sessions
Beginning: June 26th & ending August 18th (No Camp on July 4th)
Registration is required in order to attend
- 2. Camp Hours**

Program hours: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Morning drop-off: 8:00 - 9:00 am *No drop-off before 8:00 or after 9:30 am
Afternoon Pick-up: 4:00 - 5:00 pm
You may pick up before 4:00 pm if needed. Please give advanced notice.
- 3. Check-in**

Campers must be dropped off and picked up at the Clubhouse.
Campers **MUST BRING THEIR CLUB CARDS** to check-in upon arriving.
Daily announcements start at 9:00 am.
- 4. Pick-up**

All campers must sign out when leaving. It is important to notify the staff if someone other than a parent is picking up your child, and fill out the Parent Pick-up form. **ALL CAMPERS MUST BE PICKED UP before 5:00 pm. Any camper not picked up by 5:00 pm, will be required to pay a late pick-up fee.**
- 5. What To Bring Daily**

Towel, bathing suit, and sunscreen. Lunch, drinks and snacks must be placed in a Ziploc bag with your child's name on it for proper refrigeration. Water bottles must have child's name on it. No coolers or lunch bags!
- 6. Mark Your Belongings**

Please put your child's name on ***all clothing, towels, hats and bags.***
Lost & found will be emptied once a week. Please check for lost items immediately.
- 7. Money & Valuables**

Do not bring personal items to camp. The Boys & Girls Club is not responsible for lost items. On Fridays we will provide a BBQ lunch (one hot dog or hamburger, chips and drink). Please do not send money to camp.
- 8. Personal Belongings**

Campers are **NOT PERMITTED** to bring personal belongings from home (i.e., cell phones, iPads, game systems, dolls, Pokémon cards, toys, etc.)
The Club is not responsible for lost property. Cell Phone Policy
No cell phones are allowed at Camp unless authorized by the Camp Director. We strongly encourage your child to leave their cell phone at home.
- 9. Camp Suspension**

A camper may be suspended from camp with no refund for stealing, disrespectfulness and/or abuse toward staff, camp equipment and other campers. Parent will be contacted in case of suspension and child may need to be picked up right away.
- 10. Medications**

Boys & Girls Club does not regularly dispense medication to campers. Our policy is not to dispense medications unless medically necessary (such as administration of an EpiPen). For such occasions, a camper with a prescribed medication must have a form signed by the member's doctor and parent. Please speak with the Camp Director or First Aid staff member if you have questions.

Parent & Camper Information

Camp Routine

- At 9:00 a.m., announcements will be made for daily and upcoming events.
- Campers will line up with their group and check in with their counselor and CITs (Counselor-in-Training).
- Stay with your group and follow the program schedule. No changing groups without talking to the Camp Director. You are here to make new friends.
- Participate in each program area. Get involved and you will have a fun summer.
- **Swim lessons will be every day in the morning. Free swim in the afternoon. Children must attend swim lessons to attend free swim.**
- A Staff member will monitor locker rooms and bathrooms to ensure appropriate behavior at all times.
Absolutely no cell phone/electronics use in locker rooms.
- Take care of all the camp equipment. Pick up equipment and put it away. If something gets broken, tell a staff member so it can be taken care of.
- Schedules are posted around camp and with every staff member. If you are not sure where you belong, ask.
- **SIGNING IN AND OUT IS VERY IMPORTANT EVERY DAY. YOU MUST TELL YOUR COUNSELOR IF YOU ARE GOING HOME EARLY, OR PLAN TO ARRIVE LATE THE NEXT DAY.**
- **No camper will be allowed to leave with another parent, friend, or guardian, or walk home PRIOR TO completing the Parent Pick-up Release form. You may get the form from the main office.**
- **No one leaves without signing out.**

What to Bring

- Every day bring a towel, bathing suit, lunch, and a full, refillable water bottle.
- Put your name on your clothes and lunch bag.
- **Keep all iPads, video games, cell phones and cards at home. We are NOT responsible for lost items. NO ELECTRONICS will be allowed during camp.**
- **Cell phones or texting are not allowed during camp hours.**

Lunch Time and Snacks

- Put lunch and in a Ziploc bag with your child's name on it. Counselors will collect for proper refrigeration.
- We will eat lunch together outside by the field (weather permitting). After lunch, we all pick up after ourselves.
- Children are **NOT** allowed to order food to be delivered. We will not accept deliveries.
- On Fridays, campers will have BBQ lunch choice of hot dog or hamburger, chips and drink.

Themes and Field Trips

- There will be weekly themes and activities at Clubhouse Camp as well as periodic field trips. A basic schedule is included in this handbook.
- THE ENTIRE CLUBHOUSE CAMP WILL ATTEND FIELD TRIPS AND GO TO THE BEACH. No Staff will remain onsite on trip or beach days, please plan accordingly.
- Please check posting in the front lobby and emails from BGCG for changes or updates to the calendar.
- On trip days, please be sure to send extra snacks and drinks/water for your camper.
- Campers must wear appropriate clothing, including Boys & Girls Club t-shirt, and footwear for the trip and/or beach.

Additional Information

- Have fun at camp and make new friends.
- Please speak to a staff member if you:
 - Do not feel well,
 - Are having a problem with another camper or staff person,
 - Are missing something.

We are here to help.

- RESPECT AND LISTEN TO ALL THE STAFF. THEY PLACE YOUR SAFETY AND BEST INTEREST FIRST.
- If you get involved at camp you will have an awesome summer. You have a great staff. Get to know them and get involved.
- Please ask any questions that you may have. LET'S HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!
- FIELD TRIP PAYMENT: For those who make field trip payments by paper check, there will be a \$20.00 fee charged for every check that is returned or canceled. If a check has been returned or canceled, future payments must be made in cash.

Visit our website at www.bgcg.org for additional information

Clubhouse Camp Summer 2023 Theme Weeks

Week 1 – Animal Adventures

Discover the wonders of the animal world as we explore animals from different environments. Enjoy animal themed crafts, games, and special activities.

Week 2 – Under the Sea

Go under the sea with fun ocean themed activities and crafts. Even create your own ocean in a jar!

Week 3 – Land Before Time

Travel back in time to explore the exciting and terrible (not too scary) world of dinosaurs. S.T.E.A.M. your way through fossils, eggs, and volcanoes!

Week 4 – BE GREAT!

This week is all about you, all about me, all about our community! Kindness, diversity, mindfulness, community service and of course, Superhero Day!

Week 5 – Carnival

Come enjoy the fun, the music and just being silly! This week carnival fun comes to camp.

Week 6 – Olympic Week

Spend the week with your country competing in soccer, kickball, swimming events, races, and other Olympic themed activities to win the Gold!

Week 7 – Science Mania

Come join us for some science, tech, and engineering fun! Each day will be filled with clever fun, from building challenges to eruptions to crazy art! Campers will experiment with a little bit of everything this week!

Week 8 – Game Show

Campers and counselors will face off in a variety of classic game show challenges. Campers will play *Friendly Feud*, *Minute to Win It*, and classic game show challenges. The ultimate test of smarts will come when the campers play *Are you Smarter Than Your Camp Counselor?*



Parent Pick-Up Release Form

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Any camper that will be picked up by someone other than their parent/guardian needs to complete this form and turn it into the front desk at the Clubhouse.

No camper will be allowed to leave with anyone else without this form completed

If you have any questions, see a staff member or call (203) 869-3224.

Date: _____

Camper Name: _____

Age: _____

Phone #: _____

Work #: _____

Parent Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian picking up the camper

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Relationship: _____

Signature: _____

One Time: _____

Entire Summer: _____

Date Range: _____