



VHPD

Join Our Staff!

*Do you like kids, the outdoors
and having fun?*

We are now accepting applications for the following paid summer positions:
Camp Directors - 21 years & older
Camp Counselor - 17 years & older
Assistant Counselors - 15 & 16 years old

Please apply online at vhparkdistrict.org.
No considerations will be made unless an application is on file. Interviews will be conducted beginning in late March.

For more information, contact:
Kelly Cushion at (847) 996-6805 or
Gail Herrmann at (847) 996-6808

Camp Lunch Special!

The Park District offers a lunch service for our camp families! On the two days per week that your child swims at the Family Aquatic Center as part of camp, Culvers Restaurant will provide lunch with four meal options!



The price is \$40 per child, per session which includes eight meals. In the event of inclement weather, Culvers will deliver right to the camp!

The four meal options to choose from are a hot dog, a cheeseburger, chicken tenders or a peanut butter & jelly sandwich. Every meal also includes a 16 oz. beverage and your choice of french fries or fruit. The kids can decide which meal they want when they arrive at camp that day.



This special lunch program is only available to children in our camp program, during camp session, and on the designated pool swim days. To see which camps offer this service, please look for the lunch bag symbol next to each camp description.

On inclement weather days when lunches are delivered to the camp sites, chips will be substituted for french fries.



Family Aquatic Center

Day Camp

How does bus transportation work?

Buses stop at intersections designated by the bus company. Absolutely no personal stops will be granted. Please make arrangements to have your child supervised at the bus stop daily until the bus arrives.



Rosters are provided to the bus company who, in turn, creates the routes. For camps that fill before the registration deadline, the routes can be completed in advance. Failure to register before the deadline results in choosing a stop already determined by the bus company.

In an attempt to not have kids on the bus for long periods of time, the bus company has made stops at common points and intersections (just like school buses do) as opposed to individual houses. Routes are created so that the first child on the bus in the morning will be the first one off in the afternoon. During the week before camp starts, you will be mailed your child's stop location and pick-up and drop-off times.

During the first couple of days of a session, please understand that the buses may be late. Drivers do their best to keep on schedule, but especially on the first day, many parents take pictures and want to meet the driver and/or bus counselor – thus pushing the schedule behind.

Please let the Park District know if you will not use the District's bus service.

What do campers do on inclement weather days?

Campers at Junior Crew, Girlfriends, Road Trip, Kid Zone Half Day Camp and Sports Camp will move their activities indoors at their respective locations. Activities include crafts, board games, cards, and occasionally a movie. Little Giants Camp goes to Hawthorn Middle School North or Elementary North. Preschool Camps will also move their activities indoors at the Sullivan Center. On field trip days, if it rains and a camp is scheduled to go to an outdoor facility, we will do our best to find an alternative activity such as a movie, bowling, miniature golf, or arcade.

How are camp groups formed?

We do our best to make groups of kids of the same age or grade level. In addition to using Friendship Requests, we also take into consideration the number of kids in a grade, the gender of the kids, the gender of the counselors, and how many children we want in a group.

At Girlfriends Camp, participants form their own groups the first day of camp. Campers form groups of 10-12 girls that can consist of different grades to make their group. No child gets left out.

Why can't my child request more than one friend?

We will comply with one mutual request between two children in the same grade (elementary camps) or of the same age (preschool camps). Many times we receive "chain requests" where Camper A wants to be with Camper B, Camper B wants to be with Camper C, etc. However, we simply do not honor chain requests at all. Plus, one goal of camp is to make new friends!

How is swimming supervised at the elementary camps? (Lil Rascals, Little Giants, Junior Crew, Kid Zone, Girlfriends)

At Kid Zone, Junior Crew and Little Giants, all campers must stay either with a counselor or assistant counselor during open swim. At these ages, not all kids are tall enough for the slides or lazy river. This ensures that the camp staff is watching over the safety of the swimmers in addition to the lifeguards as well. Third and fourth graders are partnered up with a friend or two that they must stay with during open swim. Counselors of third and fourth graders are stationed at various areas of the Family Aquatic Center to maintain supervision.

At Girlfriends and Little Rascals camps, all campers must stay with a counselor.





Counselor-In-Training for Grades 8-9 (Fall '12)

The Counselor-In-Training (CIT) program teaches young teens how to be a responsible, caring and creative camp counselor. CITs will assist camp counselors with projects and activities, four days a week, and will work with a new group each week. Active participation with campers is required. Your teen may only be enrolled for one session in each camp.

All CITs will attend an orientation meeting on the first day of camp, where they will receive a CIT T-shirt and an instruction manual. In addition, they will attend weekly workshops to learn new skills from the camp director. Bus transportation will be provided to Hartmann and Peterson Parks only. Bus schedules and camp information will be sent before camp begins. Payment for Counselor in Training camp is due in full at the time of registration.

CIT for Little Giants Sport Camp



Code	Dates	Days	Time	R/NR Fee
89413-1	6/11-7/6	M,T,Th,F	9:00a-3:00p	\$204/255
89413-2	7/9-8/3	M,T,Th,F	9:00a-3:00p	\$204/255

Peterson Park



CIT for Firefly, Starfish & Lil Rascals

Code	Dates	Days	Time	R/NR Fee
89412-1	6/11-7/5	M-Th	9:15a-3:30p	\$204/255
89412-2	7/9-8/2	M-Th	9:15a-3:30p	\$204/255

No camp 7/4

Sullivan Community Center



CIT for Junior Crew

Code	Dates	Days	Time	R/NR Fee
89411-1	6/11-7/5	M-Th	9:00a-3:00p	\$204/255
89411-2	7/9-8/2	M-Th	9:00a-3:00p	\$204/255

No camp 7/4

Hartmann Park

Day Camps



Summer Camp has gone GREEN!

In place of mailings, all camp information will be available online beginning May 1, 2012.

- Parent/Guardian Information Letters
- Fieldtrip Information
- Medical Forms
- Calendars & Schedules
- Meet the Director Information Pages

All return documents (Camper Data forms & Medical Information forms) will be due June 1 (Session 1) and July 1 (Session 2).



Camp Starfish

Each star will shine, as we feature a wide spectrum of entertaining experiences! Our adventures will include mini hikes, crafts, stories, nature projects, water play, plus a variety of sports and games. Water activities include portable pools, sprinklers and a water slide. Please note: campers stay in their swim suits after water activities. Parents will be asked to provide a snack during the session. Each child will receive a camp T-shirt. Children must be toilet trained.

Children from HEI at Hawthorn who are enrolled in Camp Starfish will be walked across the street to the Sullivan Center

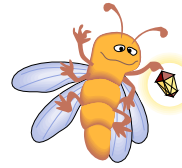
Ages: 4* or 5 years (by 9/1/12)

Code	Dates	Days	Time	R/NR Fee
89120-1	6/11-7/5 No camp 7/4	M-Th	12:30-3:30p	\$230/288
89120-2	7/9-8/2	M-Th	12:30-3:30p	\$245/306

Sullivan Community Center

* 4 year olds may attend Camp Firefly or Camp Starfish. Please do not enroll your child in both camps.

Note: Payment for Camp Starfish is due in full at the time of registration.



Camp Firefly

Let us en-"lighten" your child's summer with arts and crafts, games, stories, songs, show and tell, theme days, special events and entertainment! Water activities include sprinklers, portable pools and a water slide. Please note: campers stay in their swim suits after water activities. Parents will be asked to provide a snack during the session. Each child will receive a camp T-shirt. Children must be toilet trained.

Ages: 3 or 4* years (by 9/1/12)

Code	Dates	Days	Time	R/NR Fee
89111-1	6/11-7/5 No camp 7/4	M-Th	9:15-11:45a	\$192/240
89111-2	7/9-8/2	M-Th	9:15-11:45a	\$204/255

Sullivan Community Center

* 4 year olds may attend Camp Firefly or Camp Starfish. Please do not enroll your child in both camps.

Note: Payment for Camp Firefly is due in full at the time of registration.



Lil Rascals Camp

Pack their lunch and their swim suits. This new camp for 4, 5, and 6 year olds provides an opportunity to attend an all-day camp at the Sullivan Center that will include lunches together as well as swimming at the Family Aquatic Center. We will walk over to the Aquatic Center for recreational swim at least two mornings per week. Our swim time will be closely supervised by our counselors as well as the pool staff. Our camp days will also include time in the gymnasium for sports and games. But wait, there's more! We will also have use of the community room and classrooms for arts and crafts, songs, stories, and entertainment. We will walk to nearby Augusta Park occasionally, as well as a field trip, for ice cream.

Ages: 4-6 years (must be 4 years old by the first day of camp)

Code	Dates	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
89121-1	6/11-7/5 No camp 7/4	M-F	9:15-2:15p	\$485/606
89121-2	7/9-8/2	M-F	9:15-2:15p	\$510/638

Sullivan Community Center



Extended Day Camp

If you need a safe place for your camper to stay before and after the regular camp day, help is here! This supervised, low-key program is available to campers enrolled in Sports, Junior Crew, Road Trip, Little Giant, Girlfriends Camp, and now Kid Zone Half Day Camp. Parents drop off and pick up their children at the Sullivan Center. The Park District will transport campers to and from their respective camp sites each morning and afternoon.

Ages: Grades 1-8 (Fall 2012) • Sullivan Community Center

Code	Dates	Days	Time	R/NR Fee
89511-1	6/11-7/6	M-F	7:00-9:00a	\$164/205
89512-1	6/11-7/6	M-F	3:00-6:00p	\$247/309
89513-1	6/11-7/6	M-F	7:00-9:00a & 3:00-6:00p	\$381/476
	No camp 7/4			
89511-2	7/9-8/3	M-F	7:00-9:00a	\$172/215
89512-2	7/9-8/3	M-F	3:00-6:00p	\$259/324
89513-2	7/9-8/3	M-F	7:00-9:00a & 3:00-6:00p	\$400/500



Little Giants Sport Camp

Little Giants Sports Camp is designed to offer your child fun and exciting summer sports activities including water play, relay races, sports theme days, recreational swim and group games! Campers will be bussed to the Family Aquatic Center two times per week for recreational swimming and twice weekly swim lessons. Please indicate your child's swim level on the Camp registration form; see pages 26 and 27 for skill levels. Weekly field trips take our campers to some exciting places near Vernon Hills.

Ages: Grades 1-4 (Fall 2012) • Peterson Park

Code	Dates	Days	Time	R/NR Fee
89240-1	6/11-7/6	M-F	9:00a-3:00p	\$626/783
89611-1	Lunch option - 2 days per week, Session 1			\$40
89240-2	7/9-8/3	M-F	9:00a-3:00p	\$658/823
89611-2	Lunch option - 2 days per week, Session 2			\$40



Road Trip *New location! Century Park North*

Your active teen is sure to love summer when they embark on a daily quest! Each day there will be a rotation between swim days at the Family Aquatic Center, field trips and walking/hiking treks to local parks. Calendars for sessions 1 and 2 will be available May 1. Some road trips this summer include Rainbow Falls water park, Glacier Ice Arena, Action Territory, Hidden Creek water park and more! Throughout the summer there will also be cake decorating contests, 4th of July festivities, crafts, scavenger hunts, water sport days and more! Please check online May 1 for details.

Ages: Grades 5-8 (Fall 2012) • Century Park North Pavilion, 1401 Indianwood Dr.

Code	Dates	Days	Time	R/NR Fee
89213-1	6/11-7/6	M-F	9:00a-3:00p	\$673/841
	No camp 7/4			
89614-1	Lunch option - 2 days per week, Session 1			\$40
89213-2	7/9-8/3	M-F	9:00a-3:00p	\$709/886
89614-2	Lunch option - 2 days per week, Session 2			\$40

Key Dates

May 1Camp Calendars available Online
 June 1Session 1 Camper Data Forms Due
 July 1Session 2 Camper Data Forms Due



Questions

Questions about
 preschool camps, Jr. Crew, and Little
 Giants day camps?
 Contact Gail Herrmann, Early Childhood
 Supervisor, at 847.996.6808 or
gailh@vhparkdistrict.org

Day Camps

Grades 3-8



Girlfriends Camp

Grab your friends and join us at a camp just for girls. Girlfriends camp is perfect for that young girl who is creative and loves to make crafts, spend time making new friends and getting on stage to show off her dancing and singing skills! Shy or outgoing, if you're a girl going into 3rd-6th grade, you will love this camp. Campers will venture outdoors for some exciting games and innovative group activities. Participants will enjoy recreational swimming at our Family Aquatic Center twice a week and a once a week fieldtrip. Girlfriends will venture to Gurnee Mills Mall in a safe, controlled environment where, for the first time, they will learn principals of the penny and general economics of how to budget wisely and spend smartly.

Ages: Grades 3-6 (Fall 2012) • Sullivan Community Center

Code	Dates	Days	Time	R/NR Fee
89230-1	6/11-7/6	M-F	9:00a-3:00p	\$500/625
	No camp 7/4			
89613-1	Lunch option - 2 days per week, Session 1			\$40
89230-2	7/9-8/3	M-F	9:00a-3:00p	\$526/658
89613-2	Lunch option - 2 days per week, Session 2			\$40



Sports Camp

Century Park North is home to Sports Camp! Newly built, CPN (Century Park North) comes equipped with a 2-mile asphalt track, fishing deck and overlook, sand volleyball courts, 3 half court basketball stations, 3 ball fields, Big and little Bear Lakes, zip line structure, baggo courts and a pavillion. No more inclement weather worries for sports campers! Summer fun will take on a whole new meaning this year with so much to do! Sports campers will also enjoy two weekly trips to Family Aquatic Center and one weekly field trip. A camp calendar will be available online May 1.

Ages: Grades 5-8 (Fall 2012) • Century Park North Pavilion, 1401 Indianwood Dr.

Code	Dates	Days	Time	R/NR Fee
89220-1	6/11-7/6	M-F	9:00a-3:00p	\$626/783
	No camp 7/4			
89615-1	Lunch option - 2 days per week, Session 1			\$40
89220-2	7/9-8/3	M-F	9:00a-3:00p	\$658/823
89615-2	Lunch option - 2 days per week, Session 2			\$40

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Century Park North



Kid Zone Half Day Camp

This camp is both the half day camp for the Park District, as well as the camp that compliments HEI - Hawthorn Enrichment Institute.

Campers will enjoy games, activities, sports, crafts and two days of open swim a week at the Family Aquatic Center. Each day campers will need to bring a non-perishable sack lunch and drink as we will start the camp day by eating lunch. Pick-up on M-Th will be at Middle School South at 3:00 pm.

Those wishing for a day of field trip fun should register for the M-F camp. Camp on Friday is from 9:00 am-3:00 pm and will meet in the Sullivan Community Center gym for drop-off and pick-up.

Please Note: Kid Zone Camp and HEI are held at different locations.

HEI Students: Upon dismissal from HEI, campers will meet camp staff in the Aspen Elementary cafeteria. Staff will take attendance and then walk campers to Middle School South for lunch and camp activities.

All other Campers: Are to be dropped off at Middle School South cafeteria at Noon.

Ages: Grades 1-8 (Fall 2012)

Code	Dates	Days	Time	R/NR Fee*
89250-1	6/18-7/5	M-Th	12:00p-3:00p	\$129/162
89251-1	6/18-7/6	M-F	12:00p-3:00p	\$186/223
	No camp 7/4	F	9:00a-3:00p	
89250-2	7/9-7/26	M-Th	12:00p-3:00p	\$178/233
89251-2	7/9-7/27	M-F	12:00p-3:00p	\$261/327
		F	9:00a-3:00p	

*Payment is due in full at the time of registration.
Hawthorn Middle School South (Monday-Thursday), Sullivan Center (Friday)



Junior Crew

At Junior Crew, your children will enjoy arts and crafts, theme days, sports and games, cookouts, and much more. The adventures don't stop on land! Campers will enjoy swim lessons and recreational swimming at the Family Aquatic Center on Mondays and Wednesdays. Weekly Friday field trips will take our campers to some exciting places near Vernon Hills. Please indicate your child's last completed swim level on the Camp registration form. See pages 26 and 27 for skill levels.

Ages: Grades 1-4 (Fall 2012) • Hartmann Park Pavilion

Code	Dates	Days	Time	R/NR Fee
89211-1	6/11-7/6	M-F	9:00a-3:00p	\$626/783
89212-1	6/11-7/5	M-Th	9:00a-3:00p	\$494/618
	No camp 7/4			
89612-1	Lunch option - 2 days per week, Session 1			\$40
89211-2	7/9-8/3	M-F	9:00a-3:00p	\$658/823
89212-2	7/9-8/3	M-Th	9:00a-3:00p	\$526/658
89612-2	Lunch option - 2 days per week, Session 2			\$40

Key Dates

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Hartmann Park