

DAILY CAMPER NEWSLETTER

Week 3 June 17-21 - 2024

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BRING TO CAMP EVERYDAY!

- Backpack
- Re-usable Water Bottle
- Sack Lunch
- Wear Socks and Shoes
- Sun Screen Multiple applications each day
- Swim Suit and Towels on days we swim/get wet



WELCOME

Welcome to Ballwin Camps! This week we offer Ballwin Day Camp, Teen Camp, Aqua Camp, & Harry Potter Camp. We are excited to see you next week for Ballwin Camp Week 3. We hope your campers enjoy this week of camp!

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SAFETY

- All Campers must be dropped off in person at the appropriate drop off locations. As you exit your vehicles please keep your camper close and watch for other traffic in the parking lots.
- Check your camper in with a counselor at drop off and get a verbal confirmation from the camp staff your camper is checked in.
- At pick-up, be sure to have your ID out and ready to show to the counselors. <u>Showing your ID at pick-up is</u> required.
- Any changes for Camper pick up, such as picking up early or having an alternate person pick up (i.e. Grandparent), please email the Camp Director at least 2 hours prior; <u>campdirector@ballwin.mo.us</u>

MISSOURI STATE EXEMPTION STATUS

Ballwin Parks and Recreation has been approved by the State of Missouri for Exemption Status for a childcare facility. Ballwin Day Camp meets all the required statutes to meet the exemptions set forth in Missouri Statute, sections 210.201 and 210.211, RSMo, which is monitored and enforce by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE). Ballwin Parks and Recreation takes pride in offering quality & safe Day Camp to the Ballwin area.



BALLWIN DAY CAMP

SCHEDULE

Monday - 9am - 4 pm - The Pointe
Tuesday - 9am - 4 pm - The Pointe
Wednesday - 9am - 4 pm - The Pointe
• Field Trip Day - Wear your camp shirt
Thursday - 9am - 4 pm - North Pointe
Friday - 9am - 4 pm - The Pointe (Kona Ice)

For those that purchased Club AM 7-9am - Club PM 4-6pm



Every day at Camp looks different. The counselors are given a schedule each day where activities change and crafts are different.

Although we have a structured schedule, campers have free time to explore and play with friends. These times allow campers to make new friends, possibly in different age groups, or specialty camps that join us. Free times are typically during swimming and at the playground. Campers value free time, so it's very important





DAY CAMP FIELD TRIP

On Wednesday we will be traveling to the Transportation Museum. Campers will be able to see cool historic planes, trains, and automobiles. The campers will get on the bus at 9:30 am SHARP and will return around 2:00 pm, back at The Pointe.



SWIMMING

DAY CAMP

- Monday & Tuesday Indoor Pool (approx. 1 hr)
- **Wednesday** <u>NO Swimming</u> Field Trip
- Thursday North Pointe,
 - drop off & pickup Holloway Park Pavilion.
- Friday water activities in the back field
 - Bring a suit/clothes to get wet.
- Campers need to bring a towel and on all days campers are getting wet.
- Please bring your own Lifejacket if you indicated your child is required to wear one!
- Swim tests will be administered every Monday.
- Bring plenty of Sunscreen



BALLWIN TEEN CAMP

SCHEDULE

Monday - 9am - 4 pm - The Pointe
Tuesday - 9am - 4 pm - North Pointe
Wednesday - 9am - 4 pm - The Pointe
• Field Trip Day - Wear your camp shirt
Thursday - 9am - 4 pm - North Pointe
Friday - 9am - 4 pm - The Pointe
For those that purchased
Club AM 7-9am - Club PM 4-6pm



TEEN TALK...

Teen Camp sparks growth, friendship, and adventure. Embracing challenges, teens find confidence, discover passions, and create memories that last a lifetime. Ballwin Camp Counselors take this seriously and provide a safe place for your teens to accomplish these goals. Parents we encourage your teens to participate in camp, but understand these young adults are figuring out who they are and what they like. We hope they still have a creative and fun camper still inside themselves, but mature into outstanding young adults!





FIELD TRIP

On Wednesday we will be traveling to the Edge Waterpark in Ellisville. Campers will get to experience a neighboring aquatic facility and enjoy a change of scenery in Bluebird Park. The campers will get on the bus at 9:30 am SHARP and will return around 2:00 pm, back at The Pointe.



SWIMMING TEEN CAMP

- Monday Indoor Pool (approx. 1 hr)
- Tuesday & Thursday North Pointe

campers are getting wet.

- drop off & pickup Holloway Park Pavilion.
- Wednesday No Swimming Field Trip
- Friday -water activities in the back field
 Bring a suit/clothes to get wet.
- Campers need to bring a towel and on all days
- Please bring your own Lifejacket if you indicated your child is required to wear one!
- Swim tests will be administered every Monday.



BALLWIN AQUA CAMP

SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday

- 9am 4 pm North Pointe Aquatic Center
- Drop off at Pavilion by Holloway Park
- Pick up inside North Pointe Aquatic Center

For those that purchased Club PM 4-6pm (NO Club AM)



BUBBLE TALK...

Aqua Camp prioritizes safety above all else, ensuring campers are engaged and safety protocols are in place. Water activities are supervised closely, with emphasis on using equipment properly and swimming skills are adequate for the activities done at camp. Regular safety checks and protocols ensure campers enjoy aquatic fun in a secure environment, fostering confidence and enjoyment. Counselors and campers apply sunscreen multiple times a day and have planned down time. Hydration is also very important, and why we require a refillable water bottle for our campers.





NEW FOR AQUA CAMP

New this year, Aqua Camp requires all campers to be able to pass a Swim Test. The swim test will be swimming 25 yards unassisted and tread water for 2 minutes. This is to ensure campers possess the sufficient swimming skills to participate in swimming activities and games. All campers will be tested on Monday. Those that do not pass will be transferred to regular Day Camp, which will include a \$20 transfer fee.



SWIMMING AQUA CAMP

- Monday Friday We Swim Every Day!
- Campers need to bring a towels every day, preferably more than one.
- Please bring an extra set of dry clothes.
- Swim tests will be administered every Monday.
- In the case of Inclement Weather, we may move Aqua Camp to the Golf Course Event Center. Camper's parents/guardians will be notified.



BALLWIN HARRY POTTER CAMP

SCHEDULE

Monday thru Friday
9am - 4 pm
The Pointe
Meeting Room Room B

Kona Ice will be available Friday for purchase Club AM 7-9am - Club PM 4-6pm (For those that purchased)



MAGIC DIVINATION...

Professor Trelawney predictions are true and welcomes your camper to the realm where magic intertwines with reality! Under celestial guidance, we embark on a journey of discovery, where every moment holds the potential for wondrous revelations and enchanting adventures, as with Quidditch, potions and wands. Embrace the mysteries that await at Harry Potter Camp!





DRESS ROBES OPTIONAL

Wizards, witches, and muggles are welcome to dress in an wizard world attire during camp, as long as they include socks and tennis shoes. Feel free to bring your own scarfs, wands, hats, or books, but refrain from bringing anything of value you do not want to lose or broken. Keep all valuable items at home. Campers will be active playing Quidditch and messy with potions.



SWIMMING

HARRY POTTER CAMP

- Monday Thursday Indoor Pool
- Friday water activities in the back field
 - Bring a suit/clothes to get wet.
- Campers need to bring a towel and on all days campers are getting wet.
- Please bring your own Lifejacket if you indicated your child is required to wear one!
- Swim tests administered every Monday.



CAMP NOTIFICATIONS

Ballwin Camps will be using TEXTCASTER, as it's notification method this year. In the event the schedule changes or an update on camp that needs immediate attention, we will be using TEXTCASTER.

DIRECTIONS:

Step 1: Scan the QR code

Step 2: Sign up by filling in name and zip code.

Step 3: Click on -Yes to receive texts

(email is also an option)

Step 4: Choose the "SUMMER CAMP" message group.

Step 5: Add in your secure code and follow prompts.



SUNSCREEN

Sunscreen is required for each camper to bring to each day of camp. Camp Staff have scheduled sunscreen application times throughout the day. Campers will be required to apply and re-apply sunscreen regardless of how sunny or cool the weather. Please provide enough sunscreen for your camper to apply during the entire week. Sunscreen must be SPF 30 or higher. It is suggested campers come to camp familiar with their sunscreen and how to apply it.





LIFE JACKETS

New this year, Ballwin has included a lifejacket question to all camp registration. If you indicated you want your camper to wear a lifejacket, we will require them to wear one at all swimming times (No exceptions). You are required to send your camper with their own life jacket.

Note: All life jackets must be <u>US</u>
 <u>Coast Guard Approved</u> with a clear
 label. Any unapproved Lifejackets will
 not be allowed and will affect your
 campers access to swimming.



Every Friday, Ballwin Day Campers and Specialty Camps located at The Pointe will have the opportunity to purchase a treat from Kona Ice. If your camper wants to partake, please send them with cash on Fridays. This is optional and may not be offered on days of bad weather.

CONGRATULATIONS









CAMPERS OF THE WEEK

Each week the camp leads will select a few campers that have shown great Ballwin Spirit, Kindness, and Good Attitudes during the week. On Friday's we will recognize these campers!

A big Thank you to Oberweis for sponsoring this program.



STAFF "CHAMP AT CAMP"

Ballwin Camp Staff have been challenged to provide superior care and memorable experiences at camp. By doing so they put aside the daily challenges of being a counselor and showcase a positive attitude and a go getter mentality. If you want to nominate a counselor for this award, please use the link below.





People's Choice - Molly



Director's Award - Genevieve



Most Spirit Award - Katy

A Champ at Camp is a creed that stands for "Counselors are Heroes, Ambassadors, Mentors, and Practitioners" at Camp. Each week we will take nominations from parent using the link below. Camp counselors will be able to win three categories of recognition; Peoples Choice (your nominations), Directors Award, and Most Spirited camp counselor. The camp counselors will be recognized each Friday with the Campers of the Week, and also receive a congratulations gift!

NOMINATE YOUR CAMP CHAMP: CLICK HERE