



Welcome to the 2019 Pleasant Ridge Summer Program

The following packet includes general information for the 2019 Summer Program.

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What to Bring to Camp:

- Sunscreen (spray)
- Bag lunch and water bottle
- Swim stuff—including towel and flip flops
- Backpack
- Gym shoes & socks need to be worn daily
- Camp t-shirt needs to be worn on ALL field trip days
- Money for concession stand
- Change of clothes
- Items for theme days

What NOT to Bring to Camp:

- Excessive amounts of money
- Electronics
- Valuables
- Cell phones
- Toys

Please do not make any modifications to your camp t-shirt.

KID CHECK

Every day when your child arrives at camp they must be checked in by a counselor using a program in Kid Check set up by YOU before camp starts. Here's How:

- 1) Open Kid Check .com and click on Sign Up in the corner, then click on free Kid Check Account
- 2) It will ask you to type in a home or cell phone number, email, and where you will use Kid Check. Here you will type pleasant Ridge, and an option will pop up for you to then. Then press Search.
- 3) Please fill in all of the information asked for on the next screen and press register.
- 4) Next you're going to go to the "My Account" tab on this page and you'll see yourself marked as parent/owner of this account. Please add your kids using the + button on the left-hand side.
 - Under the reports tab you can see every time your child was checked into and out of camp.
 - Downloading the mobile Kid Check app is a great way to make sure your kids are where they're supposed to be all summer!



Welcome to the Summer Program

Summer Drop-In Program Mission Statement

To provide a safe, supervised, active and positively FUN summer experience for Pleasant Ridge youth ages 7-15. Programs and activities are designed to foster social interaction, to facilitate personal growth and to develop educational and recreational skills.

Program Rules

1. Participate in all activities
2. Check in and out each and every time your child arrives or leaves camp
3. Keep your hands to yourself
4. Clean up after yourself
5. Wear closed toed shoes
6. Treat others as you would like to be treated
7. No Bullying! - See anti-bullying policy
8. Wear your 2019 Summer program shirt on Field Trips and park days!
9. HAVE FUN!

We are excited and eager to welcome you to the 2019 SUMMER DROP IN PROGRAM! We have been looking forward to this all year! School's out and summer is in! The drop-in program has a long tradition of bringing together the kids of Pleasant Ridge in a way that creates lasting friendships and memories.

This parent packet includes information to help gear up you and your child! One of the most important things to remember is that this is a Drop-In program—this means we are not a licensed child care or day camp provider in the state of Michigan. We do however plan, program, supervise and organize activities for youth in Pleasant Ridge between the ages of 7-15.

(Must turn 7 by December 31, 2019 to participate in program)

Our staff is trained, experienced and qualified to ensure the safety of your children. We work hard to keep the children entertained and engaged in daily activities, games, crafts and field trips. Please stay tuned to our weekly newsletters that outlines upcoming activities and reminders each week.

We understand the summer is a busy time for everyone. We have kids that come every day, a few times a week or just for those special activities. Many of the kids participate in swim team, take lessons or attend other specialty camps or programs—whatever works best for you and your family is fine with us.

June 17th—August 1st
Monday-Thursday
10am-3pm

\$200 first camper
\$180 each additional camper

Travel Camp
August 5th-8th
Monday-Thursday
9am-4pm

\$200 for the week

GENERAL PROGRAM INFORMATION

Schedule/Newsletter: will be sent out each Thursday informing you what will take place in the upcoming week. The newsletter is a great way to stay in tune with field trip information, park days or special activities going on within the summer program.

The Summer Drop In program runs **Monday—Thursday 10am—3pm**. We do not offer before or after hours supervision. The campers will quickly learn the doors will not open until exactly 10am.

Staff: We are pleased to welcome back many returning staff members as well as some new faces. Our staff are here Monday—Thursday to supervise daily activities and field trips. If at any point you have questions or concerns please contact the Community Center at [sstamper@cityofpleasantridge.org](mailto:ssstamper@cityofpleasantridge.org).

Lunch break from 12-12:30pm: There will not be a planned activity during this time. We do supervise and designate a specific lunch area but we do not provide lunch or snacks. Please bring a bagged lunch or money for the concessions/vending machine.

Please check ahead with the concession stand to verify hours and available menu items. When possible, we will eat outside on the picnic tables and the kids can play outside on the playground until 12:30pm. The vending machine will only be allowed during the designated lunch break.

Drop In—Drop Out Policy: Each day when your child arrives please make sure they check in and check out. Check in will be located at the Summer Program Desk in the small room. Once they have told the staff member at the desk their name they may enter into the community room. If at any point throughout the day they wish to leave, they must contact a staff member and have them assist them in checking out.

Closed Toed Shoes: Each day of camp is full of active activities inside and out. Please send your campers in closed toed shoes to ensure full participation and safety. You may want to bring flip flops/water shoes on pool days and for unplanned water activities.

Park Days: On Scheduled Park Days, camp will be held at Gainsboro Park located at the Dead End of Wellesley in Pleasant Ridge. Campers are still required to check in and out with a counselor. The day will be jam packed with outdoor fun during regular camp hours (10am –3pm). You may bring a bagged lunch or purchase Pizza for a dollar a slice. If weather is questionable, please call the Rec at 248-541-2902. Don't forget to wear your summer program shirt! Check calendar for scheduled park days!

11 and Up Club: To participate in the 11 and Up Club participants must have turned 11 by the end of this year. This club is supervised by staff and is still part of the Drop-In program but with a more flexible schedule geared toward our older participants. They will have will have additional field trips and activities separate from the regular drop-in program. 11 and Up Club members can choose to participate in regular drop in activities as long as they follow all rules.

Pool Days: The summer program will be heading to the pool side weekly at 1:30pm. Check out will still take place on the Summer Program side at 3pm. Please send your campers with a bathing suit, towel and sunscreen. Camp counselors will be in the pool with campers as well as stationed around the deck to provide proper supervision. If you pick up your child directly from the pool please make sure you contact a staff member to ensure they are checked out properly.

Club Hour: Club hour takes place everyday following lunch. This is an opportunity for the campers to choose how they would like to use their time. They have three different options: Crafts, Sports/Activities or Card/Board Games. Each activity is supervised by staff members. The crafts coincide with each weeks theme to the best of our ability.

Communication: We have a very open door policy here at the Community Center. We would love to hear from you regarding your thoughts and concerns. You can email us at [sstamper@cityofpleasantridge.org](mailto:ssstamper@cityofpleasantridge.org) or contact us by phone at (248) 541-2902, ext 0. We will do our best to communicate with you in a timely manner. Newsletters will be sent out Thursday afternoon for the following week and will inform you of important information regarding the summer program.



ANTI-BULLYING POLICY

What is bullying?

Bullying is when one or more people exclude, tease, taunt, gossip, hit, kick, or put down another person with the intent to hurt another.

Bullying happens when a person or group of people want to have power over another and use their power to get their way, at the expense of someone else. Bullying can also happen through cyberspace: through the use of emails, text messaging, instant messaging and other less direct methods. This type of bullying can also lead to the persons being hurt during or between the program seasons and be especially hurtful when persons are targeted with meanness and exclusion.

Our camp philosophy is based on our mission statement which ensures to provide a safe, supervised, active and positively FUN summer experience for Pleasant Ridge youth ages 7-15. Programs and activities designed to foster social interaction, to facilitate personal growth and to develop educational and recreational skills.

At the City of Pleasant Ridge Summer Program, bullying is inexcusable, and we have a firm policy against all types.

Unfortunately, persons who are bullied may not have the same potential to get the most out of their Summer Program experience. Our leadership addresses all incidents of bullying seriously and trains staff to promote communication with participants so both staff and children will be comfortable alerting us to any problems during their camp experience. Every person has the right to

Warning & Consequence Procedures

1. A verbal warning on-site to child
2. A warning to the child and a verbal contact will be made with the parent/guardian
3. Child will be dismissed from camp for the remainder of the day to the custody of a parent/guardian (Must be picked up 1 hour from contact) and suspended from the program for the next one (1) consecutive program day.
4. Child will be dismissed from camp for the remainder of the day to the custody of a parent/guardian (must be picked up 1 hour from contact) and suspended from the program the remainder of the program with **no** refund issued.

expect to have the best possible experience at the Summer Program, and by working together as a team to identify and manage bullying, we can help ensure that all children and staff have a great summer at the City of Pleasant Ridge Community Center.

Please be sure to discuss bullying with your camper(s) and both you and your camper will need to sign the Anti-Bullying Policy section on the registration form.

2019 Field Trips & Activities

| Week | Trip Type | Date | Destination/Activity | Cost |
|------|-----------|----------|--------------------------------------|-----------|
| 1 | O | June 18 | Pingree Farms, Detroit | \$ 16.00 |
| 1 | AC | June 20 | Defy Detroit, Commerce Township | \$ 35.00 |
| 2 | *11 & Up | June 19 | Hungry Howie's, Ferndale | \$ 7.00 |
| 2 | AC | June 25 | Tree Runner, W. Bloomfield | \$ 37.00 |
| 2 | O | June 27 | LegoLand/Round One | \$23/\$35 |
| 3 | AC | July 1 | Robot Garage, Birmingham | \$ 26.00 |
| 4 | AC | July 9 | Jump Island, Holly | \$ 26.00 |
| 4 | O | July 11 | Creative Arts & Blaze Pizza, RO | \$ 30.00 |
| 5 | *10 & Up | July 16 | Red Oaks Water Park, Madison Heights | \$ 17.00 |
| 5 | AC | July 18 | CJ Barrymore's | \$ 30.00 |
| 6 | 10 & Up | July 24 | Olive's Bloombox, Ferndale | \$ 15.00 |
| 6 | O | July 23 | Airtime Trampoline, Troy | \$ 32.00 |
| 6 | AC | July 25 | Comerica Park/Ford Field, Detroit | \$ 25.00 |
| 7 | O | July 30 | Planet Rock, Madison Heights | \$ 24.00 |
| 7 | AC | August 1 | Roller Skating & Movies | \$ 22.00 |

Please note: AC=All Camp Field Trip. There will be **no** camp at the Community Center on the AC field trip days. O=Optional Trip. This is an optional camp trip. If you are not attending the trip, camp will take place as regularly scheduled. Field Trips are on a first come, first serve basis. Trips are limited to a max. 40 camper. Field trips are an **additional fee**. All campers must bring a bag lunch and wear closed toed shoes & socks daily.

MUST BE REGISTERED WITH THE PLEASANT RIDGE SUMMER PROGRAM TO ATTEND A TRIP!

Each field trip is an additional charge and requires a signed permission slip and payment to be considered registered for a spot. Please note that we take registration until filled or the deadline date—no exceptions. The deadline date is the last day to register only if there are still spots available. It is possible that trips may fill. Payment is due at time of registration.

Campers MUST wear their 2019 Summer Program T-Shirt on Field Trip

City of Pleasant Ridge

June 2019

Dear Summer Program Participant Parent,

The importance of the physical and emotional safety of each and every Summer Program participant and staff member is paramount to the City of Pleasant Ridge. We try to identify critical concerns that are important to our residents and staff. We take the issues of bullying and violence in our culture very seriously. The purpose of this letter is to talk about an initiative that the City of Pleasant Ridge will be undertaking for the summer of 2019 and beyond to address this issue.

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The Summer Program has an anti-bullying initiative that is aimed at taking appropriate steps towards managing this problem. Although we have always made a conscious effort to prevent bullying in our program community, bullying itself has transformed into more than its traditional definition. This summer we are trying to stop bullying behavior with different tools and techniques that will help us prevent such behavior.

As the Summer Program progresses, we thought you should know about the lengths to which we are prepared to go in order to ensure that we are successful in delivering the anti-bullying initiatives to the program this summer, and provide physical and emotional safety to all.

We encourage you, as parents, to please let us know about any particular bullying concerns you may have for your child or any instances that may foster any future incidents. We want to ensure that this problem can be managed by a strong partnership between our program and you.

We can be reached at the Community Center at 248-541-2902, ext. 0 or by e-mail at ssstamper@cityofpleasantridge.org

Thank you, and we look forward to having your child with us at the Summer Program this summer.

Sincerely,

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Warning/Consequence Procedures

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Incident #2: A warning to the participant and verbal contact will be made with the parent/guardian (if necessary.)

Incident #3: Participant will be dismissed from program for the remainder of the day to the custody of a parent/guardian (*must be picked up 1 hour from contact*), and suspended from the program for the next one (1) consecutive program day.

Incident #4: Participant will be dismissed from the program for the remainder of the day to the custody of a parent/guardian (*must be picked up 1 hour from contact*), and suspended from the program for the remainder of the program year with no refund issued.

Please review this policy (with your children) and return a signed copy to the Community Center. If a signed copy is not received, you or your child(ren) will not be admitted to participate in the program.

City of Pleasant Ridge Anti-Bullying Policy

I (We) the undersigned, do hereby acknowledge that I(we) have read and reviewed the above policy with my(our) child(ren), and we understand the following terms and conditions of the City of Pleasant Ridge Anti-Bullying Policy. I(we) understand that my(our) child(ren) may be dismissed from a program if I(we) do not comply with this policy.

FAMILY/CHILD LAST NAME (please print): _____ DATE: _____

Parent/Guardian

Child #1

Child #2

Parent/Guardian

Child #3