YMCA AT HERRICKS SUMMER RECREATION FACT SHEET

ABSENCES

If your child will not be attending camp on a day they are enrolled, please email **Herricks@ymcali.org**.

ARRIVAL/DISMISSAL

Prior to the start of the Summer Recreation program, parents will receive a postcard with the name of their child's teacher and location for arrival. At dismissal time, parents must sign their child out and provide photo ID to the teacher.

DAILY SCHEDULE

Each group will be given a daily schedule, which will be distributed at the first day of the program. We encourage parent communication and our Directors are readily available to speak with parents. Students will enjoy a balanced schedule of art & crafts, STEM, and Imagination Station (literacy program). Imagination Station is a summer reading program helping our youngest campers hone their literacy skills. There will also be indoor and outdoor activities including Tae Kwon Do, yoga, and other sports.

EARLY PICKUP

Early pickups require advance notice, whenever possible. Please email <code>Herricks@ymcali.org</code>, so we can prepare your child for early pickup that day. Children will not be released without an authorized person presenting photo ID. If you wish to make different arrangements for pickup on a given day, please email <code>Herricks@ymcali.org</code> stating the authorized pickup contact. This contact must provide a photo ID at pickup. Pickup must be by 2:30pm.

FIRST AID

There will be a nurse and/or EMT on site if your child becomes sick. In the event of an emergency, local EMS will be contacted. Small cuts and scrapes will be treated by our nurse/EMT.

LATE ARRIVAL

If your child will be arriving late, please bring them to the Summer Recreation office. A staff member will escort your child to his or her group. Please do not try to find your child's group on your own.

PARENT ORIENTATION

All parents/guardians will be invited to Parent Orientation Zoom call before the program begins. Date to be determined.

SPECIAL REQUESTS

Parent(s)/guardian(s) can request their child to be placed with their friends but it must be a mutual decision by both families. Both families must email **Herricks@ymcali.org** or note their request on their registration form before the first day of the program.

STAFF REQUIREMENTS

Group sizes are maximum of 18 students per age group. Each classroom includes a teacher and counselor.

WHAT TO BRING

Please dress your child for comfort and safety. For your child's safety, please do not send your child to camp in sport sandals, flip flops, crocs, or opentoed shoes. Each day, your camper should bring the following: sunscreen, water bottle, lunch (full day only) in a backpack. Please label all items with child's full name.

WHY THE Y?

Our program is dedicated to providing your child with a safe, nurturing environment where they can develop leadership skills, hone their interests, build self-confidence, and make lasting friendships. The YMCA has been a cornerstone in communities across Long Island for 100 years and we are committed to making this the best summer ever!