

# Hello Parents & Guardians! Welcome to Innisfil Summer Camp 2025

Thank you for registering for The Town of Innisfil Summer Camps.

The Town of Innisfil is committed to offering safe and rewarding camp experiences to our participants! As a start, this Welcome Guide will answer many questions concerning your upcoming camp experience.

## **Program goals**

The Town of Innisfil is committed to providing a positive, engaging recreation experience for all participants. To achieve this goal, we expect campers to:

- Show respect and consideration for staff and fellow campers
- Be cooperative and participate in camp activities
- Respect camp rules, the facility, and program equipment

#### Staff

Town of Innisfil staff are trained to provide careful supervision of participants, ensure compliance with policies and procedures, and to maintain camper safety.

- Our summer camp staff are carefully selected based on their experience, skills, enthusiasm and the ability to work with children.
- All staff attend mandatory training on topics such as leadership, teamwork, deescalation, health and safety, policies and procedures.
- Additionally, all staff are certified in Standard First Aid and CPR 'C' as well as trained HIGH FIVE® Principles of Healthy Child Development and Behaviour Management Systems.

# Camp Hours 8:30 – 4:45 pm

- Camp programming runs from 9:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m.
- Sign in will begin at 8:30 a.m. and we ask that you ensure campers are picked up by 4:45 p.m. Failure to pick up by 4:45 p.m. will result in additional fees of \$1.00/minute per child according to our clock and sign out sheets. If for any reason you are running late, please notify us.

NOTE: For the safety of all campers' government issued photo identification will be required at sign out daily.

- Please ensure the individual(s) picking up your camper(s) are on the authorized pickup list as their <u>government issued photo identification</u> will be cross-referenced with the authorized pick-ups provided.
- If the individual who comes to pick up your camper(s) is not on the approved pick-up
  list and/or does not have government issued photo identification, your camper will
  NOT be released to them.

#### **Absences**

If you are running late or know your camper(s) will be absent, please contact your Camp Site Supervisor or Camp Coordinator to advise.

Location	Camp Coordinator
Stroud Community Centre	Site Supervisor – (705) 984-6104
Centennial Park	Site Supervisor – (705) 984-6105
Cookstown	Camp Coordinator - (705) 984-6103
Inclusion - Town Wide	Inclusion Supervisor - (249) 288-1361
General Inquiries - Town Wide	Camp Coordinator - (705) -984-6103

# **Camp Programming**

In addition to this Welcome Guide, you will receive a camp newsletter outlining specific camp programming and schedules for your child(ren)'s camp.

## Clothing, Sunscreen, and Lost & found

- Campers are encouraged to wear close-toed shoes and comfortable clothing to camp each day.
- Campers will spend much of their day outdoors, so we ask that you please send your camper with a hat and sunscreen daily to ensure their safety outside.
- Please label your camper's items so lost or forgotten items can be identified.
  - > Lost and found items will be placed at sign in/out locations.
  - > We also ask that campers do not bring home toys to camp as we are not responsible for any lost, stolen, or missing items.

### **Snacks and Lunches**

Campers will have three mealtimes throughout the day: morning snack, lunch, and afternoon snack. In addition to lunch and snacks, we ask that you send your camper with a refillable water bottle (labelled with your camper's name) that they will be able to take with them to each of their activities during the camp day.

- All Town of Innisfil Camps are "NUT FREE" to protect those who have severe allergies.
  - Please do not send any food or products to Camp that contain or may contain nuts.
  - Additionally, please remind your camper(s) they are not to share any food with other campers.

## Weather

In the event of inclement weather/heat warnings/air quality concerns, program plans will be adjusted to ensure the safety and comfort of all campers.

# **Theme Days**

At the Town of Innisfil Summer Camps, each camp week is given a theme. This theme will be incorporated in weekly games and activities and on the Friday of each week, campers are encouraged to dress up to match the theme. Campers will be sent home with a theme day notice for their week on Monday.

## **Water Play**

At our summer camps we offer water play throughout the week. Depending on the camp location water play days and activities will differ. Refer to the Weekley Newsletter of your camp to see the days that water clothes are needed.

# Conduct While at Camp & Behaviour Guidelines

Camp staff strive to maintain an atmosphere of mutual caring, respect, and understanding throughout the camp day. Proper participation and conduct by your child is expected and includes the following rules:

- Always staying with the camp group
- Respect other's feelings and property
- Cooperate with each other

- Listen to group leaders
- No physical contact
- Use of appropriate language

Town of Innisfil Behaviour Guidelines apply to all participants in all recreation programs. The Behaviour Guidelines can be found outlined below.

- Disruptive behaviour(s) will be handled timely and in a fair and consistent manner using progressive behaviour management strategies.
- A verbal warning will be given to the child.
- If improper actions continue, Site Supervisors have the right to separate the camper from the rest of the group, and/or contact the parents to come and pick up the child.
- The Site Supervisors also reserve the right to ask that the child not return to camp if
  their actions are consistently putting themselves and other campers in an unsafe
  environment. The child may be asked to miss a day of camp and could possibly be
  asked to leave the camp during the day, which would mean that an adult would
  have to be available to pick the child up.

## **Code of Conduct**

The Town of Innisfil is committed to providing an environment in which staff, residents, and visitors are treated with respect. Unsafe actions or incidents of violence, offensive language or harassment against, or by any person will not be tolerated. Anyone in violation of the above will be denied service and/or asked to leave the premises.

#### **Medical Information**

Please ensure all medical concerns and/or special care requirements are documented on the Camper Release Form.

• Should your child require medication (e.g., use of an asthma inhaler or Epinephrine) additional medical forms are required to be completed by the first day of camp.

#### Illness Protocol

If your child becomes ill during camp, a parent/guardian will be notified to arrange for **immediate** pick up.

 For the safety of all campers in the program; if your child has a communicable disease (i.e. pink eye, chicken pox, infection, etc.) please refrain from bringing your child to camp until they are no longer contagious or as advised by Public Health and the Town of Innisfil.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and contribution towards a successful 2024 Town of Innisfil Camps season – see you soon!

#### **Your Recreation Team**

