

North Plainfield Recreation Parents:

All of us are trying to make the best out of a difficult situation staying home. There's not much to do other than help educate our children, play games, read and watch TV. Some of us still have the opportunity to work from home.

Your recreation department is thinking ahead about our future for the balance of the Spring, Summer and Fall seasons.

Rather than wait for Governor Murphy to roll out his plan and then react, we have made changes to our existing plan now and have a tentative plan in place for the immediate future. When the governor informs us his plan, we will be prepared and ready to adjust. (If necessary)

Our plan for baseball/softball program plan was detailed in a previous letter.

FISHING DERBY

Our fishing derby scheduled for May 16th is postponed until September (date TBA)

MEMORIAL DAY

Mayor Giordano will be making a public announcement shortly.

HOMETOWN HEROES PROGRAM

Installation of the Banners on Somerset Street honoring our military veterans are on as planned, however, there could be a week or two delay. We hope to be on time. (Up for Memorial Day and remain up through Veterans Day)

SUMMER CONCERTS

We currently have 5 concerts scheduled starting in mid July. If we don't have clearance to start by mid July, every effort will be made to extend our concerts through September. Our concerts will be on Wednesday nights.

4TH OF JULY PARADE

On as planned. If necessary, we will postpone and have a **Labor Day** parade instead.

COMMUNITY DAY

On as planned for July 11th (rain date 12th) In the event we are cancelled, we will reschedule for the fall including the firework display.

SUMMER CAMP

If we are cleared to have a camp this summer, we have created a new structure for this year only. We will treat each registration separately to accommodate our residents. We understand some families may be struggling financially and we are here to help you. For example: There will be no minimum number of weeks required to purchase this summer. If we are forced to start later, we can end later (9/4)

Our 4 plans will remain the same, pricing per plan will remain the same. If you purchased your plan already and we need to adjust your plan, we certainly will refund any money due you.

We will continue to take registrations at this time. However, we will not take money until we get closer to the summer. Registration forms can be found on our website. Please print and mail to or drop off at our recreation office located at 93 Greenbrook Road. Early bird pricing will be used throughout the entire summer. There will be no regular fees nor late fees. We still will have a \$100 surcharge for non residents.

We will not be taking summer camp trips this season.

We will make every effort to bring entertainment to Vermeule every other week.

Again, all adjustments to our structure is for this upcoming summer only. Please feel free to contact the recreation office with any and all specific questions. 908-756-0247. Please note: It is our policy to only advertise or promote on Facebook. We understand people on Facebook may answer questions attempting to be helpful. Sometimes well intended people give bad information causing confusion. We urge you to call the recreation office for current and accurate information.

FALL SPORTS

We will offer Pre-K programs starting this Fall season. To qualify, your child must be 4 years old by July 1st

The Pre-K program does not pertain to archery. In order to participate in archery, children must be in at least the 3rd grade. Again, we Recognize some our residents are going through a tough time financially. Unemployed families may be struggling to pay bills to make ends meet and recreation sports may be the last thing on your mind. (understandably so)

For this upcoming fall season ***only***, with Mayor Giordano's blessing, the recreation directors and the recreation committee will be offering **FREE** registration to every North Plainfield child (age eligible) interested in playing soccer, flag football, cheerleading and archery. We are here to assist you as much as possible.

Out of town residents must pay our regular registration fee.

In person registration is scheduled for June. The in person registration is cancelled. To register your child, you may do so on line or you may print a registration form from our recreation website (np-recreation.com) and return to our mailbox located at 93 Greenbrook Road. Forms will be on our website by early June.

Similar to other seasons, we will have a deadline to register. Since we plan on starting our fall season games by mid September, the last day to register your child will be July 15th. We will need time to select teams, order uniforms, prepare a game schedule etc. All of this takes time. Please help us help you. Please register your player on time.

In the meantime, please continue to do everything asked of us and remain safe.

Thank you and the very best wishes for you and your families.

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Recreation Director