

# Welcome to Kid's Club!

We are excited to provide your child with a safe and fun outdoor experience!

## Meet our Kid's Club Director: *Kat Fitzpatrick*



Kat's favorite part about working with children is the endless fun, day in and day out! As a seasoned director, she knows that this means a lot of work behind the scenes, but she actually finds that fun, too :) She has worked at several YMCA camps including camps in Hawai'i, California, and Lake George, NY. She ranks her time at YMCA Camp Chingachgook as some of the best in her life. She'll bring that wealth of knowledge and inspiration to summer in Bethlehem.

Kat was born near Washington, D.C., grew up in East Asia and Hawai'i and has lived primarily in Upstate NY since 2000. She loves Delmar for its small-town feeling, proximity to open spaces, and fun and friendly people.

\*PLEASE NOTE: The Kid's Club program is NOT a day camp, therefore we are not regulated by the Albany County Department of Health.

## **COMMUNICATION and PAPERWORK**

Please contact the Park Office for any questions or concerns at 518-439-4955 ext. 2131 or [parks@townofbethlehem.org](mailto:parks@townofbethlehem.org)

All Kid's Club forms are collected through our partnership with CampDoc. You should have received an email from CampDoc with instructions on filling out the forms. Your child may not attend Kid's club without all forms completed! If you have not received an email from CampDoc with these instructions, please contact Assistant Administrator, Heather Eckert at [heckert@townofbethlehem.org](mailto:heckert@townofbethlehem.org).

## **PRE-SCREEN**

We ask that you pre-screen your child at home so there are no surprises when you arrive. If your child has a temperature of 100.4 or above, they will not be permitted to attend the Kid's Club program.

## **DROP OFF & PICK UP PROCEDURES**-*Please be patient with us as we implement these new procedures 😊*

**Drop off** is daily from 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Please follow posted signs at the park and staff instructions. Once you arrive at the drop off point, you and your child should remain in the car and a Kid's Club staff member will come to your car to complete a health screen. **Parents and children should wear a mask for the health screen.** You will be asked the following questions:

1. Since your last visit here, has your child tested positive for COVID-19?
2. Since your last visit here, has your child had any symptoms of COVID-19 that is not attributable to another condition?
3. Since your last visit here, has your child been in close proximity of a person who has COVID-19 or has tested positive for COVID-19?

If the answers to those questions are all negative, we will take the temperature of your child with a touch-less thermometer. If your child has a fever (100.4 and above), we will re-check temperature. If the second reading is still 100.4 or above, your child must return home with you.

**Pick up** is daily from 11:45 a.m.-12:05 p.m. Please follow posted signs at the park and staff instructions. Once you arrive at the pick-up point, you should remain in your car. Staff will verify that the person picking up each child is on the child's authorized pick up list and walk your child to the car.

Please inform the Park Office (518-439-4955 x2131) if your child will be dropped off later than 9:00am or your child will be picked up later than 12:05pm.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

### ***Clothing***

Please dress your child appropriately for outdoor activities in comfortable, properly fitting, weather appropriate shorts/pants, shirt, and properly fitted shoes. Children must wear closed toe shoes that are suitable for outdoor play. Kid's Club staff will let you know if your child will need a swimsuit and towel for days we use the sprinkler.

### ***Daily Items to bring***

Children should bring a peanut/nut free snack, water bottle, swim suit, towel, and mask daily. Children will be able to refill their water bottles at the park. The Kid's Club program will provide an ice pop each day for the children.

\*Kid's Club will NOT be using the town pool facility, but we may regularly use the sprinkler to keep cool!

### ***Items to leave at home***

Please leave electronic devices, toys, and money at home. The Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department is not responsible for lost or damaged personal property. Only bring essential items (i.e. snack, water bottle).

### ***Sunscreen/Bug Spray***

Your child should apply waterproof sunscreen (SPF with at least 30 is recommended) and bug spray (optional) before coming to the program. Staff will not be permitted to help your child apply these products.

### ***Medication***

Parks and Recreation staff are not allowed to dispense medication. No medications should be brought to the program. If your child has an inhaler or epi-pen, they must carry it in a backpack that will stay with the group. Kid's Club staff will review all health forms prior to the children arriving. Each group will have at least one Kid's Club staff who is certified in First Aid/CPR/AED and trained on epi-pen administration in the event of an emergency.

## **SAFETY**

Our goal is to offer a safe and fun experience for your child! Please be patient with us as we adjust to the new procedures, our staff is working hard to ensure your child has a great time!

- Children will be encouraged to remain socially distant at all times and will be asked to wear a mask when they cannot maintain social distance and when they use the bathroom
- Children and staff will wash and sanitize their hands frequently throughout the program
- Staff will wear masks when they cannot be socially distant from your child, such as administering first aid
- Children will be assigned to the same group of 10 or less, however at certain points of the day, all children may participate in large group games. During these times, children will be asked to wear their mask.
- If your child becomes sick during the program, we will call you to pick them up ASAP

*\*As we continue to learn more information about the current health pandemic, these guidelines are subject to change.*