

# **Summer Day Camp 2019**

# Registration Packet & Parent Guide

All camper forms must be returned prior to the start of the campers first day of camp.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact:

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Kids Klub and Day Camp Director
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Summer Camp Parent Handbook

The philosophy of Camp Chamberlain is to provide a fun and safe environment. The program is designed to allow children to explore and gain new experiences. It is very important not to totally structure the program, as children need a chance to unwind, relax and play with their peers. The camp program will offer both structured and unstructured activities each day. Activities include arts and crafts, sports, games, creative play, board games, swimming and field trips.

Staff is aware that each child has different needs. Some children are very excited, active and need to run off their tensions, while others need a quiet place to relax. The staff will make every effort to assure that the individual needs of each child are met. The children will have a variety of activities to be involved with.

# Camp Contacts & Phone Numbers

Camp Phone 815/757-0660 4:00-6:00 pm

Camp Director

Wendy Barthel815/784-5612 ext. 305

wendyb@genoaparkdistrict.com

Superintendent of Recreation

Doug Kenney 815/784-5612 ext. 304

dougk@genoaparks.com

Administration Office - Billing/Payments

Monica 815/784-5612 ext. 301

June 4-August 9

monican@genoaparkdistrict.com

Aquatics Director/Swim Lessons

Sandi Rease 815/784-5612 ext. 302

sandir@genoaparkdistrict.com

# General Policy

Enrollment is open to children ages 5 through 11 years old and *provided the program can meet the needs* of the child. We do not accept children in diapers or pull ups.

# **Information Updates**

If at any time the participant or parent/guardians telephone number, address or other pertinent information changes, please notify the Camp Director or the appropriate staff person listed on the list above.

### Concerns/Problems

Any troubles your child has at other activities or at home may affect behavior during the program. Please keep us informed of any circumstances so we can be sensitive to your child's needs. The staff would like to work as a team with family. Your input is vital to accomplishing this goal.

### **Photographs**

Pictures may occasionally be taken of the campers through the summer. These pictures are used for historical and marketing purposes (seasonal brochure, website, Facebook, Instagram, etc. By registering for Genoa Park District Summer Day Camp, you have granted us permission to use your child's images.

# Emergency Medical and Health Policy

We will always try to provide a safe environment for your child. If a child is injured at camp, the staff will administer first aid to any minor injury (bumps, bruises, cuts, scratches, etc.) If a serious injury occurs, the parent/guardian will be contacted by phone immediately and a staff person will remain with the child until the parent arrives. If you cannot be reached, we will call the emergency numbers you provided on the information form. In the unlikely event of a serious injury or illness that requires emergency medical attention, paramedics will be called, and if need be, transported via ambulance to the nearest facility. A staff member will accompany them to that nearest facility. If your child becomes ill while at camp, we will call you to notify you of the situation. If your child has a fever or is vomiting, or experiencing diarrhea, we will request that your child be picked up as soon as possible. The site supervisor will determine if your child should be removed for that day due to the illness. If it is decided that it would be in the best interest to do so, AN AUTHORIZED PERSON MUST PICK THE CHILD UP FROM CAMP.

#### Medication

Campers that need to take medication need to fill out a medication form before we can dispense any medication. *The form can be picked up at the front desk*. Medication can be dropped off at that time to the Superintendent of Recreation or Camp Director. Medication needs to be in the original prescription bottle with the child's name on it and specific directions for dosage. The correct dosage must be on the bottle. Please do not let campers carry their own medication.

We prefer not to dispense over-the-counter medication, but if it is imperative the medication form must still be filled out and the medication must be clearly marked with the child's name, the name and dosage of the medication and explicit directions of administration.

If your camper has a severe allergy (nuts, bee stings, etc.) and or/if there is a prescribed EpiPen, please complete and **Allergy Action Plan**. If your camper has Asthma and may need to use an inhaler at camp, please complete and **Asthma Action Plan**. All medication forms can be picked up in the administrative office.

### Attendance and Participation

Campers are encouraged to participate when present, unless sick or injured, in which case parents/guardians will be notified and the camper will be sent home. Please notify staff of any known absences. (See numbers on page #2)

# Camp Activities

Camp leaders will be responsible for the activities for the campers. These will include art and nature activities, games, swimming, quiet time and some free play time. There will also be special events such as field trips. Organized activities will take place from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm.

# Camp Times and Schedules

Camp runs from 7:00 am – 6:00 pm, Monday thru Friday

- o 7:00-9:00 am AM Camp
- 9:00 11:00 am Typical Camp Programming
- 11:00 am 12:00 Lunch/Change
- 12:00 3:00 pm Swimming (Trips on Thursdays)
- 3:00 4:00 pm Snack/Change
- 4:00 6:00 pm Chamberlain Park

# **Drop off/Pick up Policies**

# Arrival to Camp

Parents/guardians are **required to sign their children in each day of camp**. This will also allow parents to give us any special notes, receive any important notices and/or have any questions answered. Please check any signage or notes near the sign out area.

# Absences or arrival after 9:00 am

If a camper will be absent or arriving late to camp, it is important to call the Park District and leave a message for the Camp Director and staff, 815-784-5612 ext. 305.

# Early Pick Up

In cases you may be picking your camper up early, please notify camp staff when dropping your child(ren) off in the morning.

# Late Pick Up

Please make sure to pick up your child promptly at 6:00 pm and sign them out. Starting at 6:01 pm, you will be charged \$10.00 for every 15 minutes pickup is delayed. Payment is due at the time of pickup paid directly to staff. Participants whose parents are habitually late (more than 5 times) will be removed from the program. If you're going to be late, please call the camp phone at 815/757-0660 if after 4:00 pm.

# Departure from Camp

Parents/guardians are **required to sign their children out each day of camp**. If your child will need to leave camp early, please leave a written note at the sign-in table in the morning to let us know that you will be picking up your child early and what time. Campers can be signed out at the park district office or where the camper's activities are taking place when being picked up early. **Only the people listed** on the "Personal Information Form" will be authorized to pick up your child(ren) at camp. If there is any change in a pick-up person, the change needs to be made on the form ahead of time. If it is a one-time thing, we will need a note given to us ahead of time by the parent. We do check ID's.

### What should campers wear?

Campers should wear clothing appropriate for the weather. Camp will be outside as much as possible. Shorts and T-shirts are usually perfect. Your child will come home dirty with some things that may not come out in the wash, so please make sure they wear play clothes. All campers need to wear socks and gym shoes. Sandals are not permitted. Sunblock should be applied before coming to camp. Camp leaders will remind children at times during the day to reapply sunblock. Parents are required to provide sunblock for their camper. The Park District will not be responsible for providing sunblock.

### <u>Items campers need to bring</u>

- A large healthy lunch with enough left over for an afternoon snack and beverage
- Swimsuit and Towel
- Sunblock with an SPF of at least 30, SPRAY BLOCK IS RECOMMENDED
- Book to read during down time
- Extra change of clothes (optional)
- Water bottle (optional)
- Plastic bag for wet clothes (optional)
- A backpack to put everything in with their name on it

# What not to bring to camp

Money

Gum Glass bottles

No electronic equipment (phones, video games/devices, etc.)

No personal possessions from home (toys, action figures, trading cards, etc.)

# EVERYTHING NEEDS TO BE LABELD WITH YOUR CHILDS NAME ON IT

Genoa Township Park District and Staff Are Not Responsible For Lost, Misplaced, Damaged Items

#### Field Trips

Field trips are once a week weather permitting, and may be on or off site. (There are a few field trips that will be held onsite. Please see the weekly schedule for field trip dates.) It is very important to have campers here by **8:45 am** on field trip days or earlier if designated. If campers are not here by the time the bus leaves, they will miss that day at camp. Please try to arrange appointments (doctor, dentist, etc.) for non-field trip day. We may not be able to accommodate the campers that need to leave early from camp on field trip day. If you do not want your child to go on the field trip, please make other arrangements for childcare as the park district does not offer any other programming. All children attending camp that day MUST go on the field trip. If you don't want your child going on the trip, your child will not attend camp that day. The children will not be allowed to spend money on the field trips. Children will ride on a school bus to and from the field trips. You must sign a Transportation Services Waiver and Release.

To ensure an enjoyable time, it is important that campers follow bus and field trip rules. If a camper continues to disobey these rules, they will not be able to attend camp on field trip days.

# Field Trip Rules are:

- Follow the Camp Code of Conduct
- Stay with group and group leader
- Listen to your counselor
- Follow the rules of the place we are visiting
- Do not talk to strangers

# Bus Rules:

- Remain seated while bus is moving
- Keep hands, arms, legs and head inside the bus at all times
- Do not throw objects in or out of the bus
- Be absolutely quiet when approaching railroad crossings
- Do not yell, as it will distract the bus driver
- Wait until the bus has stopped completely to get on or off

# **Swimming**

All campers will take a swim test with the Chamberlain Park Pool staff before being allowed in the pool. Campers will receive wristbands determining which areas of the pool they can swim. **GREEN** wristbands allows swimmers to swim in all areas of the pool. They are only allowed to use the bowl slide if: they can tread water for 1 minute without assistance, meet the 48" height requirement, and if given parental permission. **RED** wristbands are only allowed in water that is no deeper than their chest. They may use the small blue slide if they meet the 42" height requirement and if given parental permission.

# Swim Lessons

Campers are given a 10% discount if they attend camp 5 days a week and attend the morning sessions. Discount is not available for the evening session or if the camper attends less than 5 days a week. They will not attend lessons if a weekly field trip falls on a regular swim lesson day. Your camper will be escorted to and from their swim lesson by a camp counselor. If your camper is not an attending camp on a swim lesson day you are responsible for getting your child to the lesson. No refunds will be given for missed lessons. This includes but not limited to, vacation or sick days.

# Supervision at Chamberlain Park Pool

Campers are placed in small groups with a camp counselor with access to the areas their bands allow them to go. Campers will be supervised at all times while at the pool. Campers will need to notify a counselor when a bathroom break is needed. Campers will be escorted to and from the locker room facilities.

#### Sunscreen

Because camp can have outdoor activities, please apply sunscreen to your camper before he/she arrives for the day. A recommended sunscreen of at least SPF 30 should be provided for your camper. Please provide your camper with SPRAY on sunscreen. Label the bottle with your campers' name. Put name on duct tape first so that it can returned if lost. The Park District will not provide sunscreen. If your child burns easily, you might want to consider sending a white t-shirt and hat. Campers are instructed to apply sunscreen at every swim break, which occurs every hour on the hour. Also at that time we hydrate and use the restroom. Staff will assist your child only if the child asks. Help is limited to areas the child cannot reach.

# Cell Phone policy

If parents require that their child possess a cell phone with them at camp for emergencies or after camp hours, the cell phone **MUST** remain in their back pack while at camp.

# Fire Arms Policy

Firearms are prohibited on park district property. No Firearms Signs are posted clearly on all park district doors, which are located on the main office, pool door and day camp room entrance door.

#### Background Check Policy

All camp/club staff comply with the background check and clearance procedure through Illinois Department of Human Services CCAP. The park district also provides a background check through a third party for all park district staff. This is required on a yearly basis.

Please Note: Genoa Township Park District is not licensed or regulated by DCFS.

# Camp Code of Conduct

In keeping with our program goals, we encourage fun for all of our participants. However, certain rules are necessary to ensure everyone's safety and enjoyment. Participants are expected to:

- Show respect for all participants and staff
- Treat others the way you want to be treated
- Keep your hands, feet and objects to yourself
- Be polite and courteous and listen when others are talking
- Always clean up after yourself
- Stay with your group
- Show respect for equipment, supplies and facilities

# Discipline at Camp

As with any large group of children, discipline must be reinforced by camp staff and the parents. We ask that you, as parents/guardians, please go over this information with your child so they are aware of the consequences of poor behavior. There are certain consequences that may affect me or my child(ren's) participation or attendance of field trips for not following policies and procedures.

Below is a list of some common behavior problems, but not limited to, that WILL NOT be tolerated at camp:

- Endangering the health and safety of the children and/or staff
- Theft or damage to camp facilities or personal property
- Continuous disruption of the program
- Lewd or obscene behavior
- No obscene or foul language
- No photographic devices
- Leaving the program area without permission

If a camper misbehaves, these are our steps:

**First offense:** Explain to the child the park district rules, what they did that was incorrect and why they should not repeat the action. This seems to work most of the time.

**Second offense:** Same as above, but with removal from the activity.

Third offense: Same as above, but with parental notification at this point. Ongoing problems after the third warning will involve a parent conference with possible removal from camp. Depending on the infraction, any of these steps may be eliminated.

There is zero tolerance for violence at the Genoa Township Park District.

# Camp Fees

Camp fees are based on your daily needs for 3 – 5 days a week. Below you will find a list of our weekly rates and payment schedule. (We do not offer 1 or 2 days a week.) There is a \$35.00 non-refundable registration fee along with a \$10.00 per week per child deposit that is due at the time of registration. Camp payments are due on Friday prior to the start of the following week. *Campers will not be allowed to attend camp if the weekly fee has not been paid in full.* 

Resident 1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup> Child(ren)	Non-Resident 1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup> Child(ren)		
5 Days \$165.00/\$150.00	5 Days \$185.00/\$165.00		
4 Days \$135.00/\$125.00	4 Days \$150.00/\$135.00		
3 Days \$100.00/\$90.00	3 Days \$115.00/\$105.00		

#### Ways to pay:

- Attached you will find a credit card automatic authorization form. Please fill out the form and return to the administration office by May 24, 2019. You MUST have a current credit card on file at all times.
- If you choose not to participate in the automatic payment, please contact the office manager to make payment arrangements by calling Sandi/Monica 815/784-5612 ext. 301 (Monica-June 4-August 9)

# No refunds will be given for missed camp days.

\*Any schedule changes must be done by Thursday, 3:00 pm.\*

Weekly Payment Schedule	<u>Payment Due</u>
Week #1—06/04/19-06/07/19(No Field Trip)	Friday—May 31, 2019
Week #2—06/10/19-06/14/19	Friday—June 7, 2019
Week #3—06/17/19-06/21/19	Friday—June 14, 2019
Week #4—06/24/19-06/28/19	Friday—June 21, 2019
Week #5—07/01/19-07/05/19(No Field Trip, CampBBQ)	Friday—June 28, 2018
No Camp on July 4 and 5	
Week #6—07/08/19-07/12/19	Friday—July 5, 2018
Week #7—07/15/19-07/19/19	Friday—July 12, 2018
Week #8—07/22/19-07/26/19	Friday—July 29, 2018
Week #9—07/29/19-08/02/19	Friday—July 26, 2018
Week #10-08/05/19-08/09/19(No Field Trip, Camp Carn.)	Friday—August 2, 2018

### Tax Information

Summer Camp Programs are recreation programs but depending on your circumstances the cost of the program may qualify as child care for a tax deduction. If you and your tax advisor decide you can use this, our tax id is 36-6006293. Please retain your receipts for tax purposes. The Genoa Township Park District does NOT send out a yearend tax statement. Receipts will be sent via email. Please make sure we have a current email on file.

# Genoa Park District

2019 Summer Day Camp Information

The parent/guardian must fill out the following information. The intent of this information is to provide camp staff with the appropriate care. MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED PRIOR TO THE CAMPERS FIRST DAY OF CAMP.

#### PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Participant Information	TELY OF THINK SEE, WET			
Campers Name:	Nick N	Nick Name:		
Address:	City:	Zip:		
Date of Birth:	Male:	Female:		
Parent/Guardian Information				
First Parent/Guardian:		Relation:		
Address:	City:	Zip:		
Primary Contact #:	Cell#:			
Primary Email:				
	ts will be emailed to this email address)			
Second Parent/Guardian:		Relation:		
Address:	City:	Zip:		
Primary Contact #:	Cell#:			
Email (optional):				
Attendance				
Weeks/Day Attending:	and the state of t			
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Week #15/28/19-5/31/19				
Week #2—6/3/19-6/7/19				
Week #3—6/10/19-6/14/19				
Week #4—6/17/19-6/21/19				
Week #5—6/24/19-6/28/19				
Week #6—7/1/19-7/5/19				
Week #7—7/8/19-7/12/19		ending per Week		
Week #8—7/15/19-7/19/19				
Week #9—7/22/19-7/26/19				
Week #10—7/29/19-8/2/19	Total Weeks A	ttending		
. Week #11—8/5/19-8/9/19		<u></u>		

required for anyone that is r	not a daily pickup person.	
Name	Relation	Number During Camp Hours
Custody/Guardianship		
Who has legal custody of th	is child?	
Address		Phone
If guardianship is involved, v	vho is the legal guardian	of the child?
Address		Phone
require a letter signed by be that the park district may conditional comments:	oth biological parents the ontact either person rega	ration or legal proceedings involving custody, we will at states who is authorized to pick up your child, and arding issues involving the child.
Does your child have a seve	medication, please con	that we need to know about? (If your camper has a nplete a <b>Food Allergy Emergency Action Plan</b> . Forms
Food Allergies		Describe reaction and how to manage reaction
Other Allergies (include inse	ct or bee stings, hay feve	er, animal, etc.)

Other than the persons listed above, please list those who are able to pick up your child within 20 minutes of a call. Only persons listed above and below will be allowed to pick up your camper. A photo ID will be

Does your child have Asthma? Yes  No
If so, please fill out an <b>Asthma Action Plan</b> (available upon request) – Must be on file before child can attend camp.
Will staff be required to dispense medication during camp hours?  Yes No No (If yes, please complete a Permission to Dispense Medication Form-available upon request. This form must be completed and submitted to Camp Director, Wendy Barthel before staff can dispense medication.)
Please list any medication your child is taking that we need to know about:
Behavior Concerns
If your child has any special medical, physical, psychological and/or emotional needs or receives special services from the school district, please list in detail below. Lack of information may adversely affect the park district's ability to accommodate the needs of your child.

# **Swimming Permission**

Campers will be going to the pool 4 days a week and will be given a specific color wristband that must be worn each day they are at the pool. The color of the wristband indicates the area of the pool they are allowed to swim in so counselors and lifeguards can easily identify them and make sure they are where they are supposed to be.

Green Wristband=Anywhere in the pool including waterslides, bowl slide (48") small blue slide (42") Red Wristband (non-swimmer)=Can swim in water that is no deeper than chest deep and must be with in a arms reach of a counselor at all times, small blue slide (42" tall), wading pool (7 years old or younger). In order to be a green wristband, each camper must be swim tested by a pool manager regardless of their swim experience outside of camp. A successful swim test consists of swimming an entire length of the pool (25 yards) using a strong freestyle or breast stroke (doggie paddle & under water swimming is not allowed), non-stop without touching the bottom/side of pool or getting assistance from lifeguard. Final decision is up to the pool manager. Also a 1 minute treading water test is required if the camper would like to use the bowl slide. (Please note, a lifeguard will stay alongside each camper during the swim test in case they struggle or need help.) Child's Swimming Ability: □ Non-Swimmer ☐ Beginner ☐ Intermediate ☐ Advanced YES NO Do you want your child to be swim tested? (please note: if no, your camper will automatically be a non-swimmer/red band) Do you give your child permission to use the Bowl Slide? (48" Tall to ride) Do you give your child permission to use the small blue slide? (42" Tall to ride) \*The same wristband rules apply when visiting other aquatic facilities\* Swim Lessons Campers enrolled in swim lessons will be escorted to and from the pool deck with a counselor. Campers are in the class that starts at 10:10 am to allow them to eat lunch with their friends. If signing up for swim lessons, please sign up early to guarantee a spot at that time. (Campers receive a 10% discount.) Session/s YES NO Will your child be participating in swim lessons? Is your child currently enrolled in swim lessons?

Additional Information				
>	May camp staff assist with applying insect repellent?	Yes 🗆	No 🗆	
>	If necessary, can staff provide insect repellent for your camper?	Yes 🗆	No 🗆	
>	If necessary, can staff provide sunscreen for your camper?	Yes 🗆	No 🗆	
>	May camp staff assist with re-applying sunscreen to your campers back, face, shoulders, if			
	needed?	Yes 🗆	No 🗆	
>	May be allowed to watch G rated movies?	Yes 🗆	No 🗆	

Yes  $\square$ 

Yes  $\square$ 

No  $\square$ 

No  $\square$ 

# Before retuning your packet, did you remember to......

• fill out all blanks. Leave nothing empty

➤ May be allowed to watch PG rated movies?

> Did you review the handbook with you child(ren)?

- fill out park district registration form (separate form)
- pay the \$35.00 non-refundable registration fee
- pay the \$10.00 per week per child weekly deposit

First week payment is due by May 31, 2019



# Credit Card Automatic Authorization Form

Please complete all fields. You may cancel this authorization at any time by contacting us. This authorization will remain in effect until cancelled or till the end of the program.

Credit Card	Information			
Card Type:	☐ MasterCard  ☐ Other	□VISA	□ Discover	□ AMEX
Cardholder	Name (as shown or	ncard):		
Contact Pho	one Number:			
Card Numbe	er:			
	Date (mm/yy):			
Cardholder	ZIP Code (from cred	lit card billing add	lress):	
Program:				
	:			
	*Please note y	ou must have a cu	rrent card on file at all tin	nes*
the Office Manuthorization at and monthly, on hat the paymer ransactions to this Credit Card	nager in writing/phoner least 1 day prior to the the first-After School. I hts may be executed o my account must comp	e call, of any chang the next billing date. If the above noted pa on the next business ply with the provisionese scheduled trans	ntil I cancel it in writing/phorges in my account informa Transactions will occur: we ayment dates fall on a weeke day. I acknowledge that the ons of U.S. law. I certify that sactions; so long as the tran	tion or termination of the ekly, every Friday-Day Car end or holiday, I understa e origination of Credit Ca I am an authorized user
•	•	•	ss credit card transactions in the second second in the second se	· ·
Customer Signa	ture		Date	
*Anv schedule	changes need to be ma	de by Thursday by 3:	:00 pm. Credit card will be c	harged the original amou

as set forth in your schedule on Friday mornings\*

# Waivers and Release/Policy Acceptance

The Genoa Township Park District is committed to conducting its recreation programs and activities in a safe manner and holds the safety of participants in high regard. The Genoa Township Park District continually strives to reduce such risks and insists that all participants follow safety rules and instructions that are designed to protect the participants' safety. However, participants and parents/guardians of minors registering for the below listed programs/activities must recognize that there is an inherent risk of injury when choosing to participate in recreational activities/programs. You are solely responsible for determining if you or your minor child/ward are physically fit and/or skilled for the activities contemplated by this agreement. It is always advisable, especially if the participant is pregnant, disabled in any way or recently suffered an illness, injury or impairment, to consult a physician before undertaking any physical activity.

# Warnings of Risk

#### Transportation

Please read this form carefully and be aware that in consideration for the Genoa Township Park District providing transportation services to/for our Summer Camp Program, you will be expressly assuming the risk and legal liability and waiving and releasing all claims for injuries, damages or loss which you or your minor child/ward might sustain as a result of said services, including but not limited to, vehicle operations and boarding and exiting the vehicle.

I recognize and acknowledge that the Genoa Township Park District is neither a common carrier nor in the business of providing transportation services to the public. I further recognize and acknowledge that there are certain risks of physical injury to vehicle passengers, and I voluntarily agree to assume the full risk of any injuries, damages or loss, regardless of severity that my minor child/ward or I may sustain as a result of participating in any and all activities connected with or associated with receiving transportation services, including, but not limited to, injuries, damages and loss arising out of negligent operation or supervision of the vehicle. I further agree to waive and relinquish all claims I or my minor child/ward may have (or accrue to me or my child/ward) against the Genoa Township Park District, including its respective officials, agents, volunteers and employees (hereinafter collectively referred as "Parties"). \_\_\_\_\_\_Initials

#### Swimming

Swimming is intended to challenge and engage the physical, mental and emotional resources of each participant. However, despite careful and proper preparation, instruction, medical advice, conditioning and equipment, there is still a risk of serious injury, including drowning. Understandably, not all hazards and dangers can be foreseen. The very nature of swimming is hazardous and risky, including but not limited to fatigue and overexertion, poor swimming skills, failing to avoid dangerous areas, horseplay, diving or cannon-balling into shallow water and striking the bottom or side of the pool, inadequate supervision or instruction, lack of conditioning, becoming disoriented, striking other swimmers, defective or inadequate equipment, striking one's head on the bottom when using a diving block, slip and falls on the deck or within the locker facility, chemical exposure and all other circumstances inherent to the sport of swimming. In this regard, it must be recognized that it is impossible for the Genoa Township Park District to guarantee absolute safety. \_\_\_\_\_\_Initials

#### Canoeing

Canoeing is intended to challenge and engage the physical, mental and emotional resources of each participant. However, despite careful and proper preparation, instruction, medical advice, conditioning and equipment, there is still a risk of serious injury, including drowning. All hazards and dangers cannot be foreseen. Certain risks include, but are not limited to, dangerous weather and water conditions such as rapids, deep or cold water, above and subsurface rocks and obstacles, hydraulics, strainers and ledges, acts of God, and insect bites. Other risks include capsizing, being pinned between rocks, logs or trees, hypothermia, sunburn, heatstroke, dehydration, inadequate supervision or instruction, horseplay and carelessness, poor canoeing technique or swimming skills, loss of balance, collision with other canoes or stationary objects, paddling the canoe in waters too difficult for the canoeist's capability, inadequate or defective equipment, and failure to wear a personal floatation device or other safety equipment. In this regard, it is impossible for the Genoa Township Park District to guarantee absolute safety. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_Initials

#### Field Trip

Despite careful and proper preparation, instruction, medical advice, conditioning and equipment, there is still a risk of serious injury when participating in any recreational activity/program. Understandably, not all hazards and dangers can be foreseen. Participants must understand that depending upon the particular activity, certain risks, dangers and injuries due to acts of God, inclement weather, slips and falls, inadequate or defective equipment, inadequate supervision or instruction, premises defects, carelessness, horseplay, vehicle accidents and all other circumstances inherent to recreational activities/programs exist. In this regard, it must be recognized that it is impossible for the (District/SRA) to guarantee absolute safety. \_\_\_\_\_\_Initials

#### Waiver and Release of all Claims and Assumption of Risk

Please read this form carefully and be aware that in signing up and participating in the programs listed below, you will be expressly assuming the risk and legal liability and waiving and releasing all claims for injuries, damages or loss which you or your minor child/ward might sustain as a result of participating in any and all activities connected with and associated with these programs (including transportation services and vehicle operations, when provided). I recognize and acknowledge that there are certain risks of physical injury to participants in these program/activity, and I voluntarily agree to assume the full risk of any and all injuries, damages or loss, regardless of severity, that my minor child/ward or I may sustain as a result of said participation. I further agree to waive and relinquish all claims I or my minor child/ward may have (or accrue to me or my child/ward) as a result of participating in these programs against the Genoa Township Park District including its officials, agents, volunteers and employees.

In the event of an emergency, I authorize the Genoa Township Park District to secure and/All necessary medical attention from an accredited hospital and further agree that I will be responsible for any and all medical services rendered. I have read and fully understand the Important Information, Waiver of All Claims Assumption of Risk. I further understand that my signature is required below in order to participate in Genoa Township Park District programs. In addition, I agree to abide by all of the policies/procedures contained in the parent handbook.

I do hereby fully release and forever discharge the Genoa Township Park District from any and all claims for injuries, damages, or loss that my minor child/ward or I may have or which may accrue to me or my minor child/ward and arising out of, connected with, or in any way associated with Genoa Township Park District programs.

If registering on-line or via fax, my on-line or facsimile signature shall substitute for and have the same legal effect as an original form signature.				
Parent/Guardian Signature	Date			