

Hi Everyone!

My name is Jake Houlihan and I am the new director for the Stratham Parks and Rec Day Camp this year! I'm so excited to be a part of and work with the community this summer. I've been a teacher for 5 years and currently I am an 8th grade science teacher in Deerfield, NH. Previously, I was a camp counselor and camp director at a day camp in Connecticut for six years. I'm looking forward to meeting all the campers and having a great summer!

The first week of camp starts Monday, July 6th!

We have some important reminders and updates to share to help make this summer as smooth, fun, and memorable as possible. Please take a moment to review this email carefully and complete the attached **Family Survey** as soon as possible and no later than **Sunday, July 5<sup>th</sup> if your child is coming to the first week of camp.**

If your child is attending camp for one of the later weeks, please complete the survey **no later than Thursday, July, 9th.** This so our team has everything they need to support your camper(s) this summer. We can't wait to meet your family and make this season the best one yet!

#### **Family Handbook & Behavior Expectations**

To help you prepare, we've updated our **Family Handbook**, which includes camp schedules, policies, field trip information, and more. Please keep it handy as a reference throughout the summer. The handbook is attached to this email. **(Please complete the fillable PDF and either email the completed version back to us or bring a paper copy on the Monday your camper starts camp)**

#### **Important Policy Updates**

Please note that there have been some **changes to previous policies**, including updates to our **pick-up policy, late fee procedures, and behavior management approach.** It's essential that you take a few minutes to familiarize yourself with these changes to ensure a safe and successful summer for everyone!

#### **TeamSnap ONE App – Our Main Communication Tool**

(Team Snap has a new app that everyone needs to download even if you came to camp last year)

Link to [IOS app](#)

Link to [Android app](#)

If you haven't already, we strongly encourage you accept you email invite from TeamSnap ONE and download the free **TeamSnap ONE mobile app.** TeamSnap will be our **primary tool for**

**camp communication.** You'll be able to access schedules, updates, announcements, contact info, and more. We'll also use it for **camper attendance, authorized pick-up lists, and emergency contact information.**

Please take a few moments to complete the **Family Survey** by **Thursday, July 3rd:**

 [Family Survey Link](#)

All responses are confidential and will only be viewed by the Recreation Department Director, Program Coordinator, Summer Camp Director, and Assistant Camp Director. This information is incredibly helpful in helping us get to know your camper(s) before the summer begins!

If you have any questions at all, don't hesitate to reach out to myself or Zach Cherry, Program Coordinator for Stratham Parks & Rec.

Have fun and safe 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend,

Jake