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## Union Vale Parks & Recreation

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Dear Parents,

Welcome to the Teen Leadership Camp (TLC) at Tymor Park. This program is dedicated to enrich your child with programming curated for their age group, and will be an opportunity to experience responsibility, teamwork, and leadership. The goal of this program is to help them become successful, and committed community members.

During the two-week session, your child will be assigned at random to a Traditional or Kids Camp Counselor and assist them with the day to day tasks of supervising a group to their various activities, and ensuring they enjoy camp safely. Once daily, they will meet with the head of the program, the TLC Recreation Leader, and participate in a workshop where they will converse on different useful life skills and practice team-building exercises. These workshops are made for teens to practice openly discussing and working with their peers and build confidence. Teens will have an orientation to discuss what is expected with the TLC Recreation Leader on the first day of the session.

While your child will help assist counselors with younger age groups, they are still expected to follow the Camp 101 guidelines as well as rules specific to the TLC program attached to this letter. We ask that you go through our Camp 101 packet and the attachment with your teen to ensure that they understand the requirements and rules of attending our program. Please also know that if they are not meeting the expectations put before them that they may be dismissed at any time during the program. This is for the safety and benefit of all campers.

Due to the nature of this program, it is important that we know if your child will be absent for the day, dropped off late, or picked up early. Please let the Recreation Director know as soon as possible so they can keep a record for the TLC Recreation Leader.

After reviewing this information with your child, sign the bottom of the letter with them and bring it back on the first day of the session. Without returning this signed letter, participation in the program could be jeopardized.

Sincerely,

Maggie Collins-Field, Recreation Director

Teen Leadership Camper Signature/Date

Parent Signature/Date

## Teen Leadership Camp Expectations

## Here are a few specifics that are expected during the program on top of the rules listed in Camp 101:

- 1. Get a good night's rest and eat a good breakfast to feel energized for the day.
- 2. Cellphones and electronics are **not** to be used during the program. Cell phones will be checked in with TLC Recreation Leader everyday and given back at the end of the camp day. If a device is seen being used, our staff will confiscate it and inform the parent/guardian. If a parent/guardian needs to get into contact with their child please follow the proper channels described in our Camp 101.
- 3. Please don't be afraid to ask for help from the TLC Recreation Leader or the counselors, we want you to be successful and have fun during your time at Tymor!
- 4. You must be in proper dress code.
- 5. Don't touch, pick up, or carry any child in any program.
- 6. Always do your best to assist counselors during transitions to help things run smoothly.
- 7. Notify the Recreation Director or the TLC Recreation Leader or if you need any schedule adjustments in advance.
- 8. Teens are <u>never</u> to be with the entire group of kids alone.
- 9. Explicit or harmful language towards campers, other teens, or staff is not tolerated.
- 10. Teens are not allowed to leave the park property during programming unless signed out by a member of their pick-up list.

We look forward to seeing you this summer!