

Dear Adventureland Parents,

As the 2019 summer camp season nears its end and the transition back to school begins, let us pause to reflect on the adventurous summer we had together at Adventureland Day Camp.

We spent an incredible camp season—it went by so fast! —immersing ourselves in nature, exploring outdoor spaces, making new friends and trying new things. The 2019 season was our 60th year in operation and it was truly one of our best summers ever, full of joy and sunshine! Our late father and founder, Mr. Louis DeVicaris, would have been proud of our efforts. Our hearts are full of gratitude for our staff, for our campers and particularly for you, our camp parents, who entrusted your children to us here at Adventureland.

You surely had many options when it came to planning your family's summer days. We want to THANK YOU for your trust, support and encouragement and, fundamentally, for choosing Adventureland and allowing us to spend the summer with your remarkable children.

We think of ourselves as a kind of family that meets every summer. A community that loves to welcome and embrace new members. As one new camper sweetly told his mother when she asked him if he had made any new friends at Adventureland—Everyone is friends with everyone! Exactly! We couldn't have said it better ourselves!

Whether you were new to Adventureland or returning from previous seasons, your decision to enroll your child for summer days at Adventureland is something we appreciate. Your choice supports our belief that the traditional outdoor day camp program we have been offering for six decades is the best summer choice for kids. We believe that, by emphasizing a timeless outdoor experience, our camp program increases kids' confidence, creativity, social intelligence, grit and determination, and fosters good health and personal growth.

The most wonderful thing about summer camp is that it's more than just a place to spend summer days. It's an experience that becomes a part of who each child is – it is learning and growing, having the strength and courage to stretch and be flexible and explore the world.

For example:

- \* When your sons and daughters (or grandsons and granddaughters) were immersed in our **World Cup soccer** experience event, they were not only building their athletic prowess – they were learning to cheer their comrades and the importance of sportsmanship and being team players as well as leaders.
- \* When our campers tried new activities like **archery, kayaking and rock wall climbing**, they not only learned to step out of their comfort zones but also were able to build reserves of confidence and resolve. So, in the future, when they once again find themselves in a new and overwhelming situation, they will remember that they were brave enough to take that first step and can be brave again.
- \* When your kids spent an entire afternoon outside—**building and riding rapids** in our neighboring creek, looking for salamanders and crayfish in our streams, fishing in our 4-acre lake or noticing the different rocks and leaves and wildflowers all around—a connection to nature was strengthened that will stay with each camper for all their life. Listed below and unique to the 2019 camp season are some of our special event activities that may never be duplicated!
- \* **Adventure Games** and **Super Hero** weeks were filled with competitions that challenged our campers both physically and mentally and were just plain fun.
- \* **Pirate Week** involved the entire camp community becoming swashbuckling pirates.
- \* As part of our commitment to a S.T.E.A.M.-based curriculum, our oldest campers built competing ships out of scavenged materials and then raced them in our lake.
- \* **Our 65-foot-high double zip** line was transformed into a Bomb the Ships in the Harbor pirate activity. During this challenge, two of our campers who had been struggling with going off the zip line for years did it for the first time. Hoorah!
- \* **A Pirate Swamp** was built in our 5-foot-pool (included skeletons and dry ice!) and treasure hunts were conducted for all ages across our entire site.

It was an incredible summer with many more wonderful highlights. There were so many amazing shared moments and the enthusiasm and joy we witnessed daily was priceless. We will be continuing to share photographs from our memorable summer through our Facebook and Instagram accounts, so make sure to look, like and share!!

In conclusion, we care about our camp families and we are so grateful to have counted each one of you as a part of our larger Camp Family. We are already in the planning stages for SUMMER 2020 and hope you will join us again next summer and choose to enroll your children in our camp program at Adventureland. Please email us at [adaycamp@aol.com](mailto:adaycamp@aol.com) for our 2020 pricing information.

Thanks Again for the wonderful memories,  
Lisa DeVicaris, Director and the entire Adventureland Administrative Staff.

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