

Director's Report for Pottsgrove Recreation Board

April 13, 2023

Swimming Lessons:

Swim is going well the Early Spring session has 44 kids registered. The Late Spring session will begin April 25 and we have 26 registered so far this will be more since we always have last minute sign ups.

Community Band

Community Band is practicing for their Summer concerts. We currently have 54 members, we lost 2 this year who retired but we have picked up 4 new members. They have 6 summer concerts scheduled this summer:

Monday, June 12 - 7:00 PM - Keystone Villa (Douglassville, PA)

Monday, June 19 - 7:00 PM - Providence Place (Collegeville, PA)

Monday, July 10 - 7:00 PM - Chestnut Knoll (Boyertown, PA)

Monday, July 17- 7:00 PM - SE Veterans Center (Spring City, PA)

Sunday, August 6 - 6:00 PM - Sanatoga Park (Sanatoga, PA)

(Rain date - Monday, August 7 - 7:00 PM)

Basketball Classes

Basketball classes are going well, and we are trying to get one more in before school lets out. We have 5 weeks to use the gym and the last week we can use the playground. I currently have 2 children signed up and more will be coming in.

Summer Playground

Summer Playground is coming together very well. We will be at Lower, and I have all the approvals needed after months of fighting for it. There is one week we can not be in the cafeteria ... please pray for great weather that week. If it rains it could present an issue, but I will have a backup plan for that week's activities.

There was a small group of parents asking why it wasn't being offered at West and I explained they are doing work at the school and we didn't have a choice.

I shared with all of you the calendar of events, and what our morning meeting will look like, as well as the Falcon Four Behavior Plan. If you have any questions, please let me know.

We already have 62 children registered. Our next popup is next Thursday the 20th with 19 registered.

I have several things lined up for training; 2 CPR Class dates to choose from 5/10 & 5/23 both are also open to the public. All staff will have CPR this year, a training with Annmarie Lucas; Director of Pupil Services, Becky Pappano; Coordinator of Special Services and Courtney Knittle; a behavior specialist all from Pottsgrove School District. They are putting a training together for the staff to help with transitions, managing behaviors, how to set up the environment, and helping with ways to get the children to follow directions from day one. We will also have our regular annual meeting to go over paperwork and the expectations of counselors.

I have already started planning Summer Playground and have several events already setup.

- I have an inflatable planetarium coming to us. They will set up in the gym and do 3 sessions of their show for our group.
- Library will come 4 out of the 5 weeks.
- Schuylkill River Greenways
- West Pottsgrove Township Building and that day I have PA United Track & Field will be coming to set up a Track & Field day with hurdles, javelins (which are safe for kids), shotput, and they will run relays and meter races. Children will receive ribbons for their accomplishments.
- Action Karate in Collegeville will come 3 days and do activities and teach the kids about respect, self-control and confidence.
- I have a day at the movies setup. There is a new Disney movie coming out this summer and I am hoping they can see that.
- Parisi Speed School will be coming out to do fitness evaluations on the kids and setting up an obstacle course.
- Water Ice Wednesdays are scheduled.
- And of course, the kids will swim on Fridays but this year it will be from 10-12 because of scheduling with the swim team using the pool until 10am. I am also going to have a day or two prior to summer playground beginning so that the kids can come to the pool to be swim tested so they can get right in the pool on day one.

Next meeting will be **Thursday, May 11, 2023 @ 7pm - Zoom**