

Welcome to New Minas Summer Day Camp 2019

Thank you for your decision to take part in New Minas Recreation Summer Day Camps. The Village staff take great pride in all of our initiatives, programs and events taking place throughout the summer and all year long. We genuinely appreciate your involvement and support. If you have any questions about our camp programs, please contact Community Development & Recreation Director, John Ansara @ 902-681-6577.



Summer Camp Information

Registration

- Camp registration and information can be found online www.newminas.com under Recreation, or can be completed at the Village office at 9489 Commercial Street

Camp Hours

- Summer day camps run from 7:30 am until 5:30 pm. It is recommended to drop your child off before 9:00am each day and pick him/her up after 4:00pm.
- We do not offer day camp on Canada Day or the Civic Holiday

Location

- All day camp programs are offered out of the LMCC, at 9489 Commercial Street. Our multi-purpose community complex offers a lot of variety for the range of activities we engage in for our camp program, plus we are steps away from Lockhart & Ryan Park for outdoor activities, including our amazing splash park!

Camp Staff

- Our staff have all passed background checks through the RCMP
- All of our staff have up to date First Aid and CPR certification
- Camp staff attend various training sessions prior to camp in coordination with other recreation groups
- We strive to hire individuals who meet the highest standards, many of whom are post-secondary students

Drop off & Pick Up

- Children must be signed in and out of camp everyday by a parent or guardian before and after camp.
- If your child is walking or biking to camp each day, the camp director must be notified of this.
- Camp directors must be notified if another person is picking up/dropping off your child. These precautions are put in place to ensure the safety of your child.

Transportation

- The parent/guardian is responsible for providing transportation to and from camp daily. During camp hours there will be two transportation services used throughout the summer: Perry Rand Transportation Ltd. and Kings Transit Bus Services.
- Note: The parent/guardian will be notified ahead of time when his/her child will be using these alternative means of transportation during hours and a permission slip will be sent home.

Overnight Camp Out

- We offer one overnight campout to enrich our day camp experience every year in August. This year we will be having our overnight on **(DATE)** at **(LOCATION)**. The campout hours are from **Noon on Thursday to Noon on Friday**. Parents will be responsible for transportation to and from this event.

Payments

- All payments must be made by the Friday 1 full week prior to the week your child is registered in camp. If your payment is not received by this date, your child will not be registered.
- Camp fees are \$100/week or \$25 per individual day, per child.
- All payments for the New Minas summer camps can be made payable to the “**Village of New Minas**”
- All payments must be made at the **New Minas Village Office**.
- Methods of payments include: post-dated cheques, cash, debit, VISA or M/C.

*****Summer Cancellation Policy*****

Notice must be given if a child is registered for the week, and does not attend. Failure to show up on the first day of the week without notice, your child will be removed from the list for the week; you will be charged 50% of the week’s fees. Having your child registered for the week takes up a spot that another child could use.

Medication / Allergies

- It is of utmost importance that summer staff are notified immediately of any allergies, conditions or medications that your child may have.
- Please understand that **camp staff are not permitted to administer medication** to your child. The camp director can certainly give your child a friendly reminder to take their medication at the appropriate time; however, medications are the responsibility of the parent/guardian.

Age Policy

- Participants registering for a camp must meet the specified age requirements. Age minimums are set in place to ensure the physical ability and mental preparation of each child for a full day of activities.
 - **Primary Camp:** 4-6(includes children who are 4 yrs old but attending Primary this September)
 - **Junior Camp:** 7-8
 - **Intermediate Camp:** 8-10
 - **Senior Camp:** 11-13

Lice

- It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to notify summer staff members if their child has head lice at anytime while attending camp.
- Children with lice are asked to remain home until after the second shampoo treatment (one week) is given and all nits are removed.
- All parents/guardians will be notified immediately if this occurs and head lice checks will take place accordingly.

Lost and Found

- Each summer camp program will have a designated area set aside for lost belongings.
- It would be greatly appreciated if your child's belongings are labeled with their name.

WHAT TO BRING TO CAMP

- **Lunch** - it is expected that your child will come to camp each day with a packed lunch (including at least two snacks). Since the days are warm and filled with plenty of activities, it is important that your child receives proper nourishment.
- **Plenty of Fluids** - it is essential that all campers have plenty of fluids (preferably water or a refillable water bottle) everyday at camp in order to stay well hydrated.
- **Sunscreen** - we suggest applying sunscreen on your child before coming to camp. We recognize and appreciate the fact that early morning application of sunscreen is not sufficient for a whole day; therefore, the summer camp leaders will ensure that it is applied several times (especially if spending a day outside.)
- **Appropriate clothing / footwear** - campers are advised to wear a hat, and comfortable clothing and footwear every day. Be sure to bring rain coats and boots on rainy days, and warm clothing on cooler days. Sneakers or comfortable sandals are the most appropriate choices.

- **Bathing Suit and Towel** - summer camp staff will require that your child brings a towel, bathing suit daily as we plan to be at the splash park as often as we can.

WHAT NOT TO BRING TO CAMP

- No diapers
- Please leave all toys, and electronic devices (cell phones, DS, iPods, etc.) at home. **The New Minas Recreation Department is not responsible for any lost or stolen items during camp hours.**
- No peanut or nut products are ever allowed at camp. It is important to be sensitive to the needs of all campers. Thank you for respecting this important policy.

Let's have a GREAT Summer!!!

