

Anderson Parks now registering for summer camp

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Every mom and dad knows the key to surviving summer break is finding fun activities for the children.

Since 1984 many have turned to the Anderson Park District and its annual summer camps to keep their children active during the summer months.

“Our Summer Day Camp program, which is for children ages 5 to 12, runs for 12 weeks this summer,” recreation manager Jessica Fall said. “Children who are 5-years-old must have completed kindergarten. For many parents, this is their daycare during the summer and they sign up for all 12 weeks. For others, they are looking for a week here and there to keep their kids active. Last summer, all weeks of camp did fill up.”

The park district also offers a mini camp program for children ages 3½ to 5 and a travel camp for children ages 10½ to 12.

“These camps are on a more limited basis and offered during specific weeks,” she said.

Many of the camp counselors return each year, but some are new. All must be at least 18-years-old and have experience with children.

“Our camp counselors are responsible for planning and implementing all activities for the campers,” Fall said. “There is a volunteer opportunity for teens, 13- to 16-years-old, to be a junior counselor and assist at our Mini Camp program.”

The summer camps are held at the Beech Acres Park RecPlex. The Summer Day Camp alone averages between 100 and 115 children per week.

Registration is underway for all camps. To register or for camp specifics, visit andersonparks.com or call 388-5082.

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