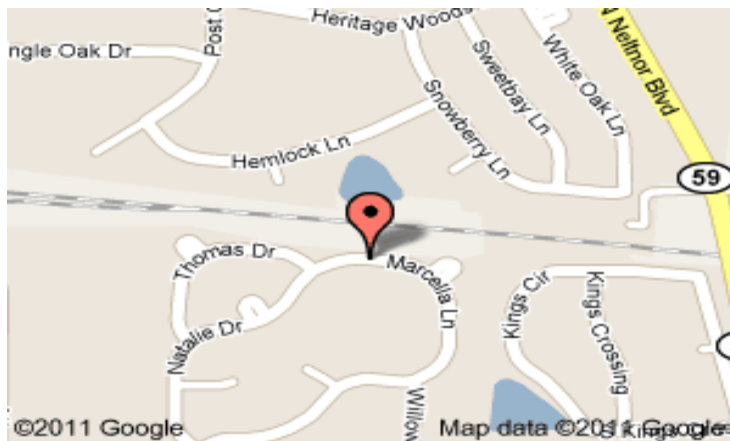


Camp Betchacan, Cani, Idontwana,
and Doihafta are located at:

Wegner Elementary School

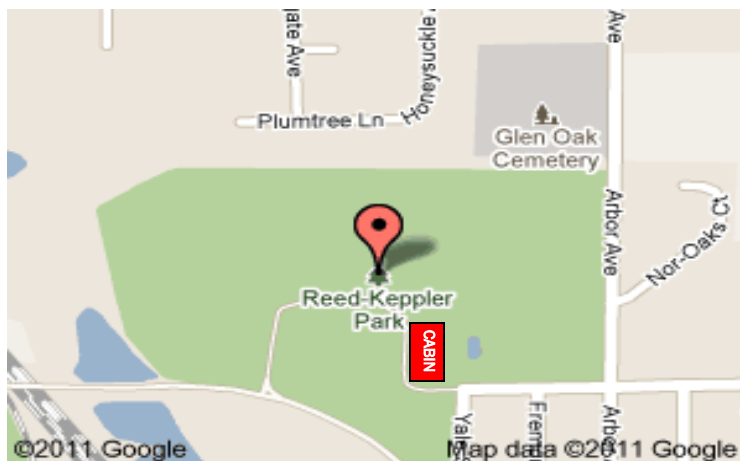
1180 Marcella Lane, West Chicago, IL 60185-5050



Camp Giveitago, Ibeokay and
Notagen are located at:

Reed Keppler Park Cabin

161 W National Street, West Chicago, IL 60185-5050



*SUMMER CAMP
PARENT HANDBOOK*



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Doihafta for grades 6th - 8th
Monday - Friday from 7:30am to 5:30pm

Session	Dates	Full Session/Week1/Week 2/3days	
		Resident	Non-Resident
1	June 8 to June 17	\$216/\$93/\$155/\$205	\$259/\$112/\$186/\$228
2	June 20 to July 1	\$300/\$196/\$155/\$270	\$360/\$235/\$186/\$324
<small>Prices reflect an Overnight during this session</small>			
3	July 5 to July 15	\$239/\$124/\$155/\$205	\$287/\$149/\$186/\$228
4	July 18 to July 29	\$265/\$155/\$155/\$205	\$318/\$186/\$186/\$228
5	Aug. 1 to Aug. 12	\$345/\$210/\$155/\$270	\$414/\$252/\$186/\$324
<small>Prices reflect an Overnight & Great America during this session</small>			

Camp Notagen for grades K - 8
Monday - Friday from 7:30am to 5:30pm

Dates	Full Session/Daily		Register Early! There is a 30 camper limit
	Resident	Non-Resident	
Aug. 15 to Aug. 19	\$175/\$40	\$209/\$48	

Punch Pass



New in 2011!! Purchase a Punch Pass with 5 punches and use the days as you need this summer. Each day at camp is worth 1 punch per day, per child. All you have to do is call the Park District office by 5pm the day before you would like your child to attend camp. Only a limited amount of Punch Passes per camp will be accepted. Special trips such as Camp Doihafta's Overnights and trip to Great America will require 3 punches. **NO WALK-INS will be accepted.** Punch passes are not valid for Camp Notagen, Camp Giveitago, Camp Ibeokay or Mighty Acorns Nature Camp.
Fee:
\$220R/\$248NR for a 5 Punch Pass (pass is non-transferable and non-refundable and is only valid for 2011 Summer Camp)



It's time to get outside and explore all the amazing things that are right in your own backyard! Through games, activities and nature walks, campers will learn about and observe animals and plants in their native habitats and explore wetlands, prairies and/or woodlands at West Chicago Park District sites.
Grades: 3rd-5th (2011/2012 school year)
Dates: July 11th through July 15th
Time: 9:00am to 12:00pm
Location: Easton Park Cabin
Fee: \$90R/\$108NR

Betchacan for grades K - 1st
Monday - Friday from 7:30am to 5:30pm

Session	Dates	Full Session/Week1/Week 2/3days	
		Resident	Non-Resident
1	June 8 to June 17	\$216/\$93/\$155/\$205	\$259/\$112/\$186/\$228
2	June 20 to July 1	\$265/\$155/\$155/\$205	\$318/\$186/\$186/\$228
3	July 5 to July 15	\$239/\$124/\$155/\$205	\$287/\$149/\$186/\$228
4	July 18 to July 29	\$265/\$155/\$155/\$205	\$318/\$186/\$186/\$228
5	Aug. 1 to Aug. 12	\$280/\$170/\$170/\$205	\$336/\$204/\$204/\$246

Cani for grades 2nd - 3rd
Monday - Friday from 7:30am to 5:30pm

Session	Dates	Full Session/Week1/Week 2/3days	
		Resident	Non-Resident
1	June 8 to June 17	\$216/\$93/\$155/\$205	\$259/\$112/\$186/\$228
2	June 20 to July 1	\$265/\$155/\$155/\$205	\$318/\$186/\$186/\$228
3	July 5 to July 15	\$239/\$124/\$155/\$205	\$287/\$149/\$186/\$228
4	July 18 to July 29	\$265/\$155/\$155/\$205	\$318/\$186/\$186/\$228
5	Aug. 1 to Aug. 12	\$280/\$170/\$170/\$205	\$336/\$204/\$204/\$246

Idontwanna for grades 4th - 5th
Monday - Friday from 7:30am to 5:30pm

Session	Dates	Full Session/Week1/Week 2/3days	
		Resident	Non-Resident
1	June 8 to June 17	\$216/\$93/\$155/\$205	\$259/\$112/\$186/\$228
2	June 20 to July 1	\$265/\$155/\$155/\$205	\$318/\$186/\$186/\$228
3	July 5 to July 15	\$239/\$124/\$155/\$205	\$287/\$149/\$186/\$228
4	July 18 to July 29	\$265/\$155/\$155/\$205	\$318/\$186/\$186/\$228
5	Aug. 1 to Aug. 12	\$280/\$170/\$170/\$205	\$336/\$204/\$204/\$246

Dear Summer Day Camp Parents,

We are very pleased that your child/ren will be joining the West Chicago Park District Summer Camp this year. We truly hope that you will all get out of camp what you are hoping. We have a lot of activities planned to keep your child entertained and safe this summer. Our goal is to provide a fun, yet safe, environment for your child this summer to grow and expand their horizons in new and different ways.

If at anytime you have any questions, comments or feedback to any camp activity, policy, or personnel please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you,

Denise Scott
Recreation Coordinator
dscott@we-goparks.org
(630) 231-9474

V.I.P.
(Very Important Papers)

Very Important Papers:

The following papers must be turned in to the Park District office before your child can attend camp...

- **Signed Program Waiver**
- Confidential Medical Information Form
- Field Trip Waiver
- Pick up and Release Form
- Waiver to authorize medical treatment
- Medication dispensing form (if needed)

Absent or Illness

If your child will be absent from camp please call Denise at (630.918.0849) or the park district office 630.231.9474 after 8:30am.

An ill child should not be brought to camp. Any child who has an infectious disease will not be allowed back at camp without a doctors note.



Drop off and Pick up Procedures:

No child may be dropped off before 7:30am (unless registered for extended camp). The parents will need to sign in the child, please do not drop your child off at the door. Upon departure you will need to sign your child out.

Please be prepared with a photo ID until the counselors get to know you.

You must be at least 16 years old to pick up a child from camp. **Parents must park in a clearly marked parking spot when picking up and dropping off the children.**

SESSION DATES, TIMES, AND FEES



**Camp Giveitago for ages 3 - 5
Monday - Friday 9am to 11:30am**

Session	Dates	Full Session/Week1/Week 2/3days	
		Resident	Non-Resident
1	June 8 to June 17	\$56/\$21/\$43/\$51	\$67/\$25/\$52/\$61
2	June 20 to July 1	\$70/\$43/\$43/\$51	\$84/\$52/\$52/\$61
3	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XX	
4	July 18 to July 29	\$70/\$43/\$43/\$51	\$84/\$52/\$52/\$61
5	Aug. 1 to Aug. 12	\$70/\$43/\$43/\$51	\$84/\$52/\$52/\$61

**Camp Ibeokay for ages 3 - 5
Monday - Friday 7:30am to 5:30pm**

Session	Dates	Full Session/Week1/Week 2/3days	
		Resident	Non-Resident
1	June 8 to June 17	\$224/\$122/\$170/\$205	\$267/\$165/\$204/\$246
2	June 20 to July 1	\$280/\$170/\$170/\$205	\$336/\$204/\$204/\$246
3	July 5 to July 15	\$252/\$136/\$170/\$205	\$302/\$163/\$204/\$246
4	July 18 to July 29	\$280/\$170/\$170/\$205	\$336/\$204/\$204/\$246
5	Aug. 1 to Aug. 12	\$280/\$170/\$170/\$205	\$336/\$204/\$204/\$246

Extended Camp: We offer Early drop-off at 7:00am and late pick-up at 6pm for an additional fee per camper/session/option
\$25/\$30NR per session
\$20/\$25NR per week
Late Registration Fee: \$20/\$24NR
Late Pick up Fee \$20 per 15 minutes or portion of

Explanation of fees:

Full Session: Full 2 weeks of the session

Week 1: First week of the session

Week 2: Second week of the session

3 Days: 3 days in week 1 and 3 days in week 2 of the session

Check your child's camp schedule or print a permission slip online at <http://we-goparks.org/youth-summer-camp.asp>

Fast Food Friday

Each camper will have the option of ordering fast food on Fast Food Friday. Due dates for each session are listed on the form and will be handed out at the beginning of each session. NO LATE ORDERS or MONEY will be taken.

3-Days Per Week

Children who are attending camp 3-days per week, must set their schedule at registration. Campers will NOT be allowed to alter their schedule for illness, vacation, or change of plans. Children who are registered for camp 3-days per week may attend their swim lesson on off camp days, IF the parent or guardian brings them to the lesson. On these days it is the responsibility of the parent to bring and pick up their child from their lesson.

Summer School

It is the responsibility of the parent to arrange transportation from Summer School to the camp site. Please speak with the summer school principal or First Student to set this up.

Abuse and Neglect

In accordance with the procedures set forth in the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act, the West Chicago Park District staff, having reasonable cause to believe that a child known to them in their professional capacity may be abused or neglected, shall immediately report the matter to their supervisor. The proper authorities will then be notified.

The West Chicago Park District Day Camp will not release any child to a parent or driver who has obviously been drinking. We will call someone for you to bring the children home safely.

Tetanus Shot and Immunizations

All campers must have on file the date of their last tetanus shot and parents must sign off that their child/ren is up to date on all school required immunizations.

Injuries

Camp staff will notify parents immediately of any severe injury or any injury to the head neck or back. Otherwise all injury communications will take place at the end of the day.

Lunches and Snacks

Each camper must bring a lunch everyday to camp, unless noted otherwise on your child's schedule. **If your camper forgets their lunch there will be a \$6 lunch fee due when you pick up your child at the end of the day.** Please note on pool days you must send a lunch, we do not arrive at the pool until after lunch time. Lunches are stored in the campers back packs until lunch time. We do not have enough refrigerator space for all of the campers to keep their lunch refrigerated.

Snacks will be given in the morning and the afternoon to campers present at snack time. If your child arrives after snack is put away or leaves before snack is served they will not receive snack.

Trips

On scheduled field trip days each camper is to wear their camp t-shirt. Children not wearing their camp t-shirt will not be allowed to attend the field trip. If you lose your camp shirt you may purchase a new one at camp for \$7.

Swimming

Swimming will take place at Turtle Splash, located in Reed Keppler Park. You do not need to purchase a season pass for your child to swim with camp. Swim dates are scheduled, please see the schedule for dates. However, please send swimming apparel with your child everyday.

Swim Lessons: Summer camp participants receive a 20% discount on the 8:40am sessions of swimming lessons at Turtle Splash Water Park! You must be enrolled in Summer Camp during your swim lesson session to receive a discount. **On swim lesson days we will transport your child to Turtle Splash Water Park. Please send your child in their swim suit on swim lesson days.**

Transportation and discount only apply to the 8:40am lessons

Camp Activities

Arts, crafts, games, sports, music, nature, self-expression, swimming, and field trips are some of the activities your child will be participating in.

Children are expected to try all of the activities.

Camp Ibeokay/Giveitago

Goals:

Play with others:

Kids will use play to learn to share, take turns through games, crafts, and dramatic play

Using words:

Example..Kids will paint a picture and tell the group about their creation, or will use their words to express themselves.

Community

Kids will learn about their community by visiting police and fire stations, city hall, the library, and other places around the town

Camp Betchacan

Goals:

New Experiences

Kids will visit new places (state parks), try new foods and new games, ride in a parade.

Social Relations/Accepting diversity

Kids will learn that all kinds of people (different ethnic backgrounds, special needs, gender, etc) make good friends.

Increased Physical Activity

Kids will be active all day. Movies will be limited and kids will go home tired!!!!

Camp Cani

Goals:

Problem solving

Campers will learn to solve problems they can by themselves or with support (please note this does not involve instances where someone may be hurting them.)

Ownership

Campers feel like camp is theirs, they have input into the activities they participate in.

Emphasis on Character Counts

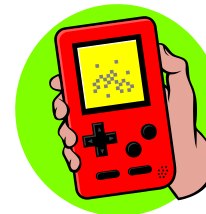
Campers will learn about the 6 pillars of good character and demonstrate them in daily life.



What should your child bring to camp?

Your child should bring

- Swim things (swim suit, towel, sun screen)
- Bug spray and sunblock
- Lunch
- Camp shirt (when needed)
- Water bottle
- **Wear gym shoes everyday**



What your child may not bring to camp?

- Cell phones
- Electronic devices (game boys, cd players, ipods, etc)
- Anything they do not want to lose
- Open toed shoes
- Weapons

If your child brings any of these items to camp they will be confiscated.



Medication

If your child needs to take prescription or over the counter medication while at camp you must fill out a medication dispensing form. The medication must be in the original container with dosage clearly marked. Medication will be kept in a secure location. Campers are not allowed to self medicate. Campers self-medicating will be suspended from camp.

Parent communication with children and observing

Parents/guardians are not allowed to speak to children other than their own regarding discipline situations. If there is a problem between your child and another please bring it to the attention of camp staff and they will take care of the situation.

Parents, when you come to pick up your child we understand and appreciate you allowing them to finish their activity, but please remember that the counselors are there to watch your children and keep them safe. Please keep communication related to camp activities.

The following incidents will be cause for immediate strike and suspension from the program until a parent/child conference is held:

- | | |
|--|---|
| Any negative physical contact. | Entering restricted areas of Host Site. |
| Stealing | Disrespect towards the staff |
| Intentionally destroying Park District or School property. | Foul or abusive language |

In accordance with School District #33 ZERO TOLERANCE policy bringing weapons, real or fake, to Day Camp will result in a minimum of a one week suspension and a maximum of being removed from the program. It is up to the discretion of the Recreation Coordinator as to the final consequence.

If a child is continuously having a discipline problem, they will be given a one-day in program suspension where they will spend one day at the Park District office.

If after the in program suspension there continues to be a discipline problem the child will be given...

- A one day out of program suspension
- A 3 day out of program suspension
- 1 week out of program suspension
- Removal from the program

THERE WILL BE NO REFUND OF ANY KIND IF THE CHILD IS DISMISSED FROM THE PROGRAM!

The rules & consequences are not limited to those listed above. If there is a problem the Recreation Coordinator will determine an appropriate consequence

Camp Idontwanna

Goals

Conflict Resolution

Campers will work with the staff at solving personal issues with other campers.

Nutrition and Exercise

Campers will help plan healthy snacks and Campers will increase the amount of daily exercise they receive.

Increase the child's awareness of personal responsibility

Campers will be aware of their role in a problem and acknowledge how their behavior contributed to the situation.

Camp Doihafta

Goals

Community Service

Northern Illinois Food Bank

Team building

Ability to work together without staff involvement to accomplish a task.

Acceptance of differences

This will be seen by the campers willingness to without request befriend someone with a disability, from a different ethnic background, different gender and/or age.

Camp Staff Qualifications

Each camp counselor is at least 18 years old, and is certified in first aid, CPR, and AED. Each camp counselor also goes through an intensive training program so they are well prepared for your child.



WDSRA

Western DuPage Special Recreation Assoc. WDSRA, in cooperation with our member districts, is committed to providing a variety of recreation and leisure choices for the individuals who have special needs that reside in our member communities. Any individual enrolled in a park district program who has special needs is eligible to receive inclusion services. The request for inclusion services should be made at the time of registration with the park district: when registering, please indicate on the registration form that accommodations are needed. Though not required, families are encouraged to contact a member of the WDSRA Inclusion team to inform them of the need for support so that advance coordination of services can begin.

Early notification is critical to the inclusion process and to facilitating a successful experience. If it is deemed that an accommodation should be provided, it is important that WDSRA have advance notice: ***we request a minimum of two weeks advance notice to secure necessary*** accommodations. Understandably, untimely or incomplete notice to the park district

and/or WDSRA may result in temporarily suspending participation pending the ability to assess and address inclusion needs. Families are encouraged to err on the side of caution and to advise the park district of any special needs or requests for reasonable accommodation at the front end of the registration process.



Behavior Code

NO D's

**NO ONE IN OUR PROGRAM IS TO
DEMEAN, OR DIMINISH, OR DISPARGE, OR DIS-
RESPECT ANYONE.**

Behavior Policy

Being guests in a School District #33 school the Day Camp staff does expect the children to treat each site with respect, and to uphold all regular school rules. The following rules have been put into place to assure the emotional and physical safety of the children while at the program. Please review all rules with your camper.

If your child fails to follow one of the following rules they will receive a warning. They will be given several warnings, and then they will be given a strike. (See below for strike consequences) After each warning the incident will be written down on a parent communication form to be signed by the parent at the end of each day.

At the site:

No talking when staff is talking.
Keeps hands to self.
NO Hitting, Biting, etc. other children or staff.
No play **fighting** or **wrestling**.
Follows directions and leadership of staff.

On the Bus:

Sitting facing forward.
Seat belt buckled if available.
No loud talking or yelling.
No eating or drinking.
No throwing things.
Keeping hands and feet to yourself.

No bullying, verbal abuse, threatening or physical violence towards Park District staff, WDSRA staff, or participants will be tolerated. Parents and participants will be held accountable for their actions. All threats or threatening behavior will be taken seriously and will result in immediate suspension from the program and may be reported to authorities. Participants using threats of death, violence or suicide will be immediately suspended and will be required to undergo a safety evaluation (at own expense) before consideration to allow participant to return to program.