









Hello, Playground Goers!



Welcome back to another fun-filled summer at McCullough Playground! For those of you who do not know me, my name is **Kym Heasley**. This is my third summer at McCullough. I am so ecstatic to be leading this crew again! Jack is returning with me for his third summer, Riley for her second, and newcomer Logan. We look forward to seeing our returning friends and meeting the new ones.

A little about myself. I have a 10-year-old daughter  who accompanies me every day. I also work at McCullough Elementary during the school year as a PCA. After school/playground, I go and landscape.  I always say, "School/playground is play. Then I go to work." I don't look at spending time with these kids as work. I enjoy my time with them, watching them grow, learn, and have fun. Truth be told, I have just as much fun if not more! 

Now, my team. **Riley Polomoscank** is returning for her second year at McCullough, 3rd year as a Playground Director. She graduated  this year from Greensburg Central Catholic. She will be attending Wooster College in the fall. Riley is a fun, outgoing, super smart girl. This young woman is my organization. I've always been a 'hot mess' and proud of it. She's the one who makes sure all the i's are dotted and the t's are crossed and is a great addition to our team and I'm happy she is joining us again.

Logan Pleins is new to us this year. He is a 17-year-old McCullough native who is going into his senior year at PT. He is on the volleyball team  and enjoys spending his free time outdoors.  I'm excited to see what he can bring to the plate. 

Continuing to visit will be **Jack Jollie**, who is a PT graduate in his 2nd year of college at Grove City. He is an outgoing, good-hearted, goofy, go-with-the-flow kinda guy, who is truly my rock  here at the playground. I couldn't do it without him.

So what will we be doing this summer?  Maybe...some fun activities? Possibly a field trip? Maybe a few trips to the pool?  I don't know? But whatever we do, please make sure your child is always dressed appropriately for the day. The only "dress code" I have is, girls...no 'booty' shorts. We do a lot

of different activities and we have a lot of different aged children here. I don't want to see anyone's bum hanging out. Be respectful to those around you.

Shoes. They must **ALWAYS** wear tennis shoes. **ALWAYS**. I am a stickler for that. We've had a few kiddos get stung my first year because I laxed on that rule. Last year, not one. So please make sure they have the correct shoes on. The first time, I'll give a warning. Second, they have to sit out of whatever activity we are doing in the field. Third, I will ask them to go home and come back with the right pair of shoes on. But let's hope we don't have to do any of that! 🙄

I have a brand new sprinkler this summer! So be prepared for your child to come home wet. 🚿 I apologize in advance. If you would like to send in a towel and/or extra clothes 🧥, please do. I will store them in our closet. Be sure to tag and bag them with their name clearly marked. Could you please write their names on their towels, too? Pretty much write their names on everything including the bag you put them in lol.

If your child has any allergies, 🥜 please let us know. I know you mark it on the sign-up form, but we'd appreciate it if you could let us know.

Children may bring a lunch along with something they can snack on 😊. Again, make sure to write their names on everything. They can bring a lunch box. However, it never fails that something gets mixed up. Make sure they have a water bottle with their names on it. I will have a cooler of water for them to refill them. Cups....well.... they like to use them to catch bugs. 🐛 So those are hard to come by lol

What else 🙄....I have a 3 strike policy. It goes the same as the shoes. Warning: sit out and ask to leave. I've never had to ask anyone to leave. We can usually figure out what the problem is and fix it. So I'm not too worried about that. That's just a so you know type of thing. Umm.. I do make the kids participate in everything even if they don't want to.

"How do you know you don't like something if you don't ever try it?" my dad would tell me. I would fight him on it and then do it. So I do the same to the kids lol and 9 out of 10 end up liking it lol so I find that a win! 🙌

I forgot one thing. No outside toys and **NO ELECTRONICS**. If they bring their phones, they need to keep them in their lunch boxes or I have a basket

they can put them in. They don't need them. If you need to get ahold of them or them you, they can use my phone, and I am happy to give you my number to reach them.

OK! So let's sum up this long-winded letter! Lol

- write their names on everything
- TENNIS SHOES!! lol

O! THE **MOST IMPORTANT** THING OF ALL!!!!!!

LET'S HAVE **FUN!!**

Don't forget to sign up on **REMIND**. That's where we will post pictures and events for the day.

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DONATIONS

Some of you ask about donations. Here are a few things that I know we could always use.

- snacks
 - Chips, pretzel rods, crackers, fruit snacks, popcorn, etc.
- drink mix
- Water balloons- we love water balloons and go through them like crazy!
- chalk
- Paper products- napkins, paper towels, toilet paper
- Hand soap!!! We run out at least once a week.

We will happily take and use whatever is given to us and appreciate it! Thank you for all you do to help us have a fun summer. From one parent to another....It takes a village to raise a child. Thank you for allowing me to be a part of yours. At least for the summer 😊