

Dear Woodlawn & Terrace Families,

We are so excited to begin the 2024 Summer Playground Program this year! Woodlawn and Terrace will operate on an every other day basis. Woodlawn will be open Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Terrace will be open on Tuesday and Thursday. We are looking forward to meeting all of you and your kids!

**Get to Know Your Directors:**

**Saige:** This is Saige's second summer being a director at Woodlawn and Terrace, and she couldn't be more excited to be back. Saige has 1 younger brother named Logan, 1 dog named Bailey, and 2 Hermit Crabs named Bruno and Herman. Saige just graduated from Penn-Trafford High School, and is attending Juniata College this Fall to study Early Childhood and Special Education with a minor in Spanish Education.

**Kate:** This is Kate's first year being a director at Woodlawn and Terrace. Kate is going to be a Sophomore at Penn-Trafford High School and will be playing on the school tennis team this upcoming school year. She has one brother who is also a Playground Director and four pets, which are two cats and two dogs. Kate enjoys playing sports, working out, and making fun crafts. She is excited to get to know your children and make it the best possible summer for them!

**Snacks, Lunch, and Water:**

At the Playground Program we generally do not provide snacks or lunch for the kids in the program. We strongly recommend that each child brings a snack and/or a lunch every day. We try to have lunch around 11:00 each day. As far as water goes, each child should bring their own water bottle each day, we will have a water jug for children to refill their bottles. We will have some bottled waters for those who do not bring water on any given day.

**Important Communication Information:**

There are going to be a few changes in the ways by which we communicate this year. We will still be using the app **Remind**. In addition to Remind we will be using **Class Dojo**. Class Dojo has a points system, messaging, and sharing feature. Class Dojo will allow us to keep track of children's behaviors much easier. Children can get points **and** get points taken away from them. We will have a rewards system for the points. Once you get so many points you can cash them in for various prizes. (The more points you save, the better the prize you can get). We will have sign up codes at the Playground on the first days so you are able to sign up for these apps.

**Donations:**

As we prepare for another fun summer, we need your help to make our program a success! To provide the best experience for your children, we rely on donations from generous parents like you! Your contributions will help us fund essential supplies, activities, and snacks, ensuring that every child has an enjoyable time at the playground. Anything you can give will make a significant difference. Thank you for your continued support, and for helping us make unforgettable summer memories for the kids!

We look forward to seeing you all this summer! Please don't hesitate to contact us via Remind or Class Dojo if you have any questions or concerns this summer!

Sincerely,

*Saige Matrisch and Kate Theakston*

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