# 2017



Parent's Guide
Kids Rule
Rowan University Recreation Center
201 Mullica Hill Rd.
Glassboro, NJ

#### WELCOME TO KIDS RULE SUMMER DAY CAMP!

#### A Message from the Camp Director

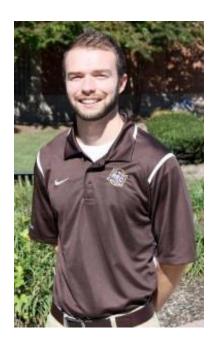
*Kids Rule* began in the summer of 1998 as a 4-week camp with only 35 children and 5 counselors. My, how we've grown since then! Now entering our 20<sup>th</sup> year and serving over 120 campers each week, we're proud to offer a program centered on fun and creating life-long memories to our campers. We're glad you've chosen to join us for the summer!

This will mark my fourth summer serving at the Rowan Recreation Center and I highly anticipate overseeing another year of *Kids Rule*! There are plenty of new activities planned for this year and I look forward to experience the continued development of the program. Along with our team of counselors, instructors and camp coordinators, we strive to provide your child with a fun, interactive, and unique camp experience!

Please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns regarding camp. We hope that your summer will be a positive and memorable one!

Drew

Drew D'Elia Assistant Director Sport Clubs and Youth Programs Delia@rowan.edu



#### CAMP ADMINSTRATIONAL STAFF



Jackee Logan
Kids Rule Coordinator

Jackee will be entering her 5th summer working with Kids Rule. She has worked with children in other capacities as well such as tutoring, nannying, and working as a behavior therapist for children with developmental disabilities. Jackee will be graduating in the summer of 2018 with my Master's Degree in Child Behavior from Rowan University.



**Steve Keane** *Kids Rule Intern* 

This will be Steve's third year working at Kids Rule, the last two summers he worked as a counselor and this will be his first year interning with the administrational staff. Steve recently graduated from Rowan with a degree in Elementary Education and History. Steve has worked with students of various ages in a classroom setting and hopes to be an Elementary school teacher in the upcoming years. Steve is very excited to take on this new role at Kids Rule and have another amazing summer here at camp!

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#### IMPORTANT STUFF YOU NEED TO KNOW

#### **Rec Center Membership**

Summer memberships to the facility are available for parents and children over the age of 5. For those of you who indicated that you were purchasing a membership in order to receive the reduced weekly rates, you must do so prior to June 3rd.

#### **Remaining Camp Payments**

Remaining balance for sessions 1-3 must be received in our office by May 5. Balance for sessions 4-6 must be received by June 2. Full payment must be received by these deadline dates to hold a camper's place; otherwise, your reservation(s) will be automatically cancelled and your deposit will be forfeited. Payment can be made by cash, credit card, or check made out to Rowan University.

#### **Before Care/After Care Payments**

The Before and After care payment policy has changed. There will be an early bird rate for both Before and After care sign-ups when you register online or at the Rec Center front desk by June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Any sign-ups for this service after June 2<sup>nd</sup> will pay an increased amount.

By June 2ndAfter June 2ndBefore Care: \$20Before Care: \$25After Care: \$25After Care: \$30

Before Care and After Care payments registered after June 2nd must be received in our office by the dates indicated below. Listed is a schedule to follow for weekly payment. Payments may be made with cash, credit card, or check made out to Rowan University.

#### For services rendered:

#### Payment due by 6pm

Week 1 (June 26 – June 30)	July 25
Week 2 (July 3 – July 7)	July 25
Week 3 (July 10 – July 14)	July 25
Week 4 (July 17 – July 21)	Aug 22
Week 5 (July 24– July 28)	Aug 22

*Note: You may choose to pay ahead of schedule.* 

#### Late Pick-Up (After 6:00 pm)

Please contact the camp office or the main office in advance for any unavoidable late pick-up or emergency. You will be charged \$5 per child for each and any portion of 15 minute segments you are late picking up your child. This payment will be due that day. **More than three late pick-ups will result in the participant's dismissal from our after care program.** 

#### Request for Receipts for Income Tax or Other Purposes

Upon request, we will issue a final receipt indicating all deposits and payments made for camp. The Rowan Rec Center Tax ID # is 222764819.

#### **Camp Cancellation & Refund Policy**

**Cancellation policy:** We have modified our policy due to an increasing number of "last minute" cancellations and late payments. Please carefully read and review the policies below.

- Full payment must be received by the payment deadlines to hold a camper's place. If full payment is not received by this time, your reservation(s) will be automatically cancelled and your child(ren) will be removed from the reserved week(s) effective immediately. If this occurs, you must re-enroll and risk going on a waiting list.
- If payment deadlines are missed, no refund of your deposits will be given nor can your deposit be applied or transferred to another session.
- All requests to cancel a camper from a session MUST be submitted in writing to the office.

The following criteria will be used to determine the amount of money that will be returned to you if a cancellation is requested. All requests to cancel a camper from a session MUST be submitted in writing to the office.

The following applies to each session in which the child is enrolled:

- Only the non-refundable \$25 deposit is retained for cancellation requests made four
  weeks or more prior to the enrolled camp session. The deposit may NOT be applied to
  another session.
- A \$50 cancellation fee in addition to the non-refundable \$25 deposit will be charged for requests made **15 days but less than four weeks** prior to the enrolled camp session.
- No refund of any portion of your payment will be given for any cancellation request made fourteen or fewer days before the camp session begins.

For example, if you are a Rec Center member with two children and on May 26 you request to cancel week I (June 26 - June 30), you will be refunded \$325 [(205-25) + (170-25)]. If you cancel week I on June 8, you will be refunded \$225[(205-50-25) + (170-50-25)]. If you cancel week I on June 9, you will not receive a refund

#### **Other Refunds**

There are some circumstances in which full or partial refunds will be issued. All refund requests must be submitted in writing.

#### 1. Absences

If your child is absent from camp, please call 256-4900/256-4908) as soon as possible. Refunds are not available for short term illnesses, special events, vacation periods, and other personal commitments.

#### 2. Extended Illnesses

An extended illness of  $\underline{3}$  or more consecutive days is eligible for partial refund consideration. A doctor's note and written note from the parent or guardian explaining the situation must be received within  $\underline{5}$  working days from the first day of absence. Upon review, applicants may be granted a pro-rated refund or credit for the missed time period.

#### 3. Dismissal from Camp

- **a.** We reserve the right to dismiss a child if we do not have adequate expertise or resources for the child's educational, medical, emotional, or other needs. There are also times when the camp must dismiss a child due to conditions which preclude the child from participating safely and/or effectively in a group setting. This action will take effect only after consultation has occurred with the parents/guardians, camper, and the camp director. Dismissal for the aforementioned reasons will result in a complete refund for the unused days.
- **b.** Dismissal may be necessary for disciplinary reasons. This action will take effect only after proper documentation and consultation has occurred with the parents/guardians, camper, and the camp director. If a camper is dismissed for disciplinary measures, there will be NO REFUND for the unused days.

#### **Disciplinary Procedures**

#### **Behavioral Rules**

To create a fun and welcoming environment we ask that the campers follow the rules below:

- 1. Follow instructions by camp staff to ensure safety
- 2. Show respect to all campers, staff, equipment and property. No put downs, insults, or teasing is allowed. This includes no use of profane or inappropriate language.
- 3. Keep hands, feet, head, and all other body parts to themselves. Fighting, hitting, theft, destruction of camp property, and intentional infliction of pain is NOT TOLERATED.
- 4. Have a positive attitude
- 5. Have FUN! ©

All incidences of problem behaviors will be documented and reported to the Camp Administration. With any disciplinary incident, camp staff members plan to communicate openly with parents/guardians in order to improve camper behavioral issues.

#### **Incident Reports**

For any incident that occurs at camp, an incident report will be completed by the camp staff and submitted to the Director/Coordinators. Parent will be called and emailed if necessary or if a strike is given. In most cases, minor incidences (unacceptable language, not following directions, talking back to counselor, refusal to cooperate, pushing or shoving in lines, etc...) will result in a discussion with the camper and a verbal warning or time-out in the office. The office will keep record of all minor incidences and may contact the parent. Repeated minor or major incidences (fighting or intentional infliction of pain, continuous use of profane language, bullying, endangering the safety of others, extreme temper tantrums, leaving the grounds, etc...) will also be recorded and the parent will be contacted. We will contact the parent by phone call as well as email the information below.

- -Date, time, place of incident
- -Names of parties involved (if necessary)
- -A full detailed descriptions of event and any investigation happening
- -Corrective plan of action decided

#### \*All conversations will be kept confidential

#### **Strike System**

We will be operating on a three strikes policy. Multiple verbal warnings and/or time outs/activity privileges withheld will result in strikes with the discretion of the camp administration. Parents will receive a phone call to be informed and discuss the incidents and further actions that need to be taken. An email will also be sent with all the details of the situation. Once three strikes are accumulated there will be a meeting to discuss dismissal from camp. If the camper is attending multiple weeks, **strikes will carry over to each week that the camper attends over the course of the whole summer. A child's strike count will not reset from week to week.** 

- Minor incidences: unacceptable language, not following directions, talking back to counselor, refusal to cooperate, pushing or shoving in lines.
- **Major incidences:** fighting or intentional infliction of pain, continuous use of profane language, bullying, endangering the safety of others, extreme temper tantrums, leaving the grounds, or harmful pranks.
  - **One strike:** 3-5 timeouts for minor incidences, or committing one major offense.
  - **Two strikes**: camper fails to show an improvement after the first strike and continues to receive timeouts. These repeated timeouts could be related or unrelated to past offenses. Parent/guardian will be notified. The camper will be limited to participating in activities for the remainder of the day or may be dismissed for the day.
  - Three strikes: continued verbal warnings and timeouts after the camper has received two strikes. In collaboration with the camper's parent/guardian, several disciplinary strategies have been used but behavioral issues continue. The third strikes will also be given for any single major incident. Camper receives a one-day suspension on the day following the offense. If given only a one-day suspension and the camper continues to misbehave, the child will be expelled for the remainder of the summer.

## Range of Disciplinary Actions (not necessarily in sequence, depends on severity of the situation)

- <u>Verbal Warning (from counselors)</u>: No formal action taken, will be logged by counselors.
- <u>Time-Out/Activity Privilege Withheld:</u> A formal action is taken and the incident will be recorded in the camp office disciplinary log. Parents may be contacted if administration deems necessary.
- <u>Camper sent home for the remainder of the day:</u> Parent will be contacted to come pick up the camper. An email will be sent to the parent with the incident report.
- <u>Camper sent home and suspended the following day</u>: The camper will be suspended for the next day of camp. If the incident occurs on a Friday, the camper will be

- suspended the following Monday. An email will be sent to the parent with the incident report.
- <u>Camper is sent home and dismissed</u>: The Parent will be contacted to pick up the camper immediately and brought home. The parent will receive an email with the details of the incident and a meeting may be set up to discuss why dismissal of camp is occurring. **In addition, no refund will be awarded.**
- \* It is our responsibility to insure the safety of all campers therefore; it is up to the discretion of the administration to determine the severity of camper's behavior and its impact on the camp. Parent meetings may be set up to discuss behavior issues.

#### **Immediate Dismissal**

On rare occasions there may be incidences deemed so serious by the camp administration that immediate suspension may occur, either temporarily or for the remainder of the summer. In these instances, parents will be contacted immediately and a meeting will occur to discuss all the facts surrounding the situation. All decisions regarding suspension will be made with the best interest of the camp in mind. If behavior continues to occur after a parent meeting occurs dismissal from camp may be a final option.

#### **New Jersey Reporting Law**

New Jersey has a mandatory reporting law for any incidence of inappropriate behavior or actions that may be of a sexual nature. This includes something as simple as inappropriate touching, either camper to camper or counselor to camper. We can simply no longer assume that these behaviors or actions are just "kids being kids" because we are mandated by law to report all incidences to our campus police authority.

#### The following protocol will take place once this occurs:

Once an incidence is reported to anyone on staff, we will contact University Public Safety. Parents of all parties will be contacted about the reported incident. The Kids Rule administrative staff will not directly question the children involved. University Police will take reports from the camp staff and in most cases are required to contact the Department of Family and Child Services so that they can take over the full investigation.

We are having discussions at camp about what is appropriate and inappropriate toughing but also ask for each of you to have these conversations at home as well. The more proactive we all are may help reduce the likelihood of incidences occurring.

#### **Forms**

The following forms must be received in our office by June 1. Your child(ren) will not be permitted to participate in camp if paperwork is not submitted by June 1st.

#### • Terms of Agreement

This document contains statements on payments, photo release and other general conditions of acceptance and enrollment.

#### • 4-day Camp Option

If you registered for 4 days only, you must indicate which days your child(ren) will attend camp by June 1 or you will be billed for 5 days. Please be advised that your child is likely to miss trips, events, or projects that will not be rescheduled.

#### Medical History

To ensure the safety of your child(ren), all new campers must submit a medical history form along with an immunization record. Returning campers must also submit an updated medical history form and a new immunization record if changes occurred within the past year.

#### Medications

If your child requires medication during the course of the day please make sure that you fill out a "Medication Form." These forms can be picked up from the Camp Office or downloaded from our website. All medication is self-administered by participant. Participant must know what their medication is, be able to recognize it, know the dosage and when to take it. Due to possible side effects, the 1<sup>st</sup> dose of new medicine must be taken 24 hours prior to attending camp. All medications taken during program hours must be in their original pharmaceutical container with prescription dosage and name clearly marked. Camp staff will accept o more than 2 weeks of medication, the amount to be verified in writing by Camp Staff and the parent/guardian. We are prohibited from dispensing over-the-counter medicine to your child unless we receive a physician's note describing the prescribed dosage.

#### Authorization for Pick-Up and Custody Issues

For the safety of your child, we must have on file, a written authorization/permission from the legal parent/guardian, of all persons permitted to pick-up your child. Please complete the form provided; you may add or delete names in writing at any time. If there are any legal issues we should be aware of, please provide us with an updated court document stating such. We will abide by legal documents only when dealing with children and custody issues. Otherwise either parent has equal rights to their child(ren) and the information regarding them such as invoices, medical records, and camp schedules.

#### • Field Trip Permission Slips

Campers who are registered for the following weeks will be taking field trips on the following weeks. There is an additional \$15 fee for each trip. Permission slips must be signed and returned in order for your child to attend. Lunch will NOT be provided on field trip days unless noted on the week of the trip.

Week 1	Friday, June 30	Philadelphia Zoo
Week 2	Friday, July 7	Funplex
Week 3	Thurs., July 13	Sahara Sam's

#### SO, WHAT'S THIS CAMP ALL ABOUT??

#### **Counselors/Instructors**

As a university facility we have the unique advantage of having an extremely qualified pool of college aged counselors, many of whom are education majors and/or former alumni who are currently teaching.

#### **Age Groups**

The system that we have in place groups similar ages together. Throughout the entire eight weeks, we will use the following color codes to classify each group: Red Group (1<sup>st</sup> grade), Orange Group (2<sup>nd</sup> grade), Purple Group (3<sup>rd</sup> grade), Yellow Group (4<sup>th</sup> grade), Blue Group (5<sup>th</sup> grade), Green Group (6<sup>th</sup> grade).

#### A Sample Day in the Life of Your Camper

Many parents have asked us to describe a typical day at camp. Depending on the group that your child is assigned to, activity times vary accordingly. A sample schedule for Tuesday through Thursday is as follows for the purple group:

8:45-9:35	Counselor Directed Activity	12:50 - 1:40	Large Group Activity
9:40-10:25	Arts & Crafts	1:45 - 2:35	Cooperative Games
10:30-11:25	Swimming	2:40 - 3:30	Sports
11:30-12:10	Fitness	3:35 - 3:45	Snack
12:15 - 12:45	Lunch		

#### **Themes and Sports**

Each camp week revolves around a theme. On Monday mornings our counselors dress up and put on skits that introduce each theme. Throughout the week, activities relate to the theme and often end on Funtastic Fridays with a fun, creative day that is planned by the camp staff. Your child may be asked to wear a particular color or come dressed a certain way. The camp experience is enhanced when we get active participation from as many campers as possible. We hope you encourage your child to have some fun with our silliness!

Each week we introduce a sport with an emphasis on individual skill development rather than competitive play. Our goal is to expose campers to a variety of sport activities in a cooperative team environment.

Theme
Week 1 Safari
Week 2 Stars and Stripes
Week 3 Splash Week
Week 4 Hollywood Week

Week 5 Camper's Choice

#### **Sport**

Baseball/Softball/Tennis Basketball/Frisbee Lacrosse/Track and Field Soccer/Golf Volleyball/Football

#### **Lunch and Snack**

All campers must bring their own non-perishable lunch, as refrigeration is not available for individual lunches. If a camper forgets a lunch, the staff will try to contact a parent or guardian. In the event the parent or guardian cannot be reached, we will attempt to provide a lunch for the camper. **There will be a \$5 fee for lunch replacement.** 

As well, the camp will provide a daily snack break around 3:30PM, which will include juice and a light snack. We highly suggest you send an additional snack for your child if you feel it is needed, particularly if your child(ren) is in after care. We do not have vending machines in our facility. Campers who have any special dietary needs we will do our best to provide an appropriate snack for those campers however if you feel more comfortable sending their own snack, we encourage it.

#### **Swimming**

Each child should bring a swimsuit and towel daily. Shoulder length hair or longer must be worn in a ponytail style; please NO bobby pins, as they clog the pool filters and drains. Masks, snorkels, fins, and swim toys are not allowed. Goggles are not required, but strongly encouraged for children who have sensitive eyes.

Children will have the opportunity to change into their swimsuits prior to swimming. If your child wears their swimsuit to camp, please have them bring their undergarments to change into after swimming. Wet swimsuits are not advisable for children to stay in all day due to health concerns.

Camp swimming times range from 40 to 45 minutes in length and are dependent upon the color group to which your child is assigned. Lessons are not provided during recreational swim time. Certified lifeguards are on duty at all times when children are in the pool. All campers are required to take a swim test before being allowed into the deep end of the pool. During swim time, counselors are either in the pool or on the pool deck with the campers, in addition to having lifeguards on duty.

#### Sunscreen

Due to outdoor activities, we recommend that you apply <u>waterproof sunscreen</u> (30 SPF or higher), on your child at home before the camp day. The staff does not supply or dispense sunscreen, due to different needs and allergies. Please send your child to camp with what has proven to be successful in the past. If you send your child in with sunscreen, please make sure their name is clearly marked on the bottle. If necessary, our counselors will help children that cannot apply sunscreen by themselves.

#### **Lost & Found**

Campers will surely lose countless items this summer. If your child loses something, please let us know and we will check in the camp lost and found. To prevent such loss, please mark all items with your child's name. Kids Rule Summer Day Camp is not responsible for any items lost during camp. Any items not picked up on the last day of camp will be donated to those less fortunate.

#### **Camp T-Shirts**

On each camper's first day of camp, he or she will be given a Kids Rule Camp T-shirt as well as a camp bag in which to carry their items. This shirt may be worn at any time during the week; however, it is not required for camp participation. We may ask for children to wear their camp shirts on days of certain field trips.

#### **Camp Dress Code**

Campers should wear comfortable clothing such as t-shirts and shorts. For safety reasons, sneakers are required for participation in all camp activities.

Open toe shoes, sandals, and wheelies will not be permitted.

#### **Miscellaneous**

- While the majority of the camp occurs indoors, please note that some activities require campers to be outside. All children are expected to participate in the planned activities, as we are unable to provide individual supervision otherwise.
- Children will be allowed to read personal books during before care and after care only. During regular camp hours, campers are expected to participate in all planned activities.
- Please do not allow your child(ren) to bring toys, portable electronics, playing cards, or cell phones there will be plenty for them to do while at camp, and the Rec Center is not responsible for lost or stolen items.

• There will be a **ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY** on cell phones due to privacy issues, especially with cameras now on most cell phones and the likelihood that they may be in the locker room at any given time. Cell phones will be confiscated by the camp directors and will not be returned without a parent coming to retrieve it. Cell phones may be used during before and after care only.

#### IMPORTANT: CAMPER DROP-OFF AND PICK UP INFO

#### **Curbside Shuttle Procedures**

This applies only to those campers NOT using before-care and/or after-care.

**Drop Off Times:** Drop-Off begins at 8:00 am and ends 8:30 am sharp. **Pick Up Times:** Pick-Up begins at 4:00 pm and ends promptly at 4:30 pm.

\*Please use walk-in procedures during all other times. You may pull into any parking space that is legal. You may also park along the curb along the dormitory; you must use your flashers. Do not park in handicapped parking spaces, directly in front of a fire hydrant or a stop sign.

# \*A Shuttle route will be emailed to all parents/guardians. There are pending construction projects that may alter the route.

- 1. During the designated drop-off and pick-up times, counselors supervise the curb areas, route traffic appropriately, and escort children to and from respective vehicles and camp sites.
- 2. Considering the safety of your child and the need to cooperate with our Public Safety Office, our department is confident you will support this policy. In order to avoid congestion, it is STRONGLY RECOMMENDED that you stagger your arrival time.
- 3. It is very important that you pull up next to the curb and directly behind the car in front of yours. Please do not leave spaces between cars, as we have limited space to work with. Most importantly, wait until you have reached the drop off point and are greeted by a staff member before letting your child off or picking your child up. The drop off point will be marked and only one car will be "serviced" at a time. The process flows smoothly when everyone "follows the rules."
- 4. Be courteous to other drivers. *Do not leave your car unattended, double parked at the curb or parked at the stop sign at the corner of shuttle as it adds to the congestion and may result in getting a citation from Public Safety*. If you need to speak to a counselor, please exit the shuttle line and park in a designated area.

5. Please drive through the area slowly and watch for staff in the street and other cars entering from the opposite direction. We will not allow any car to drop off children from the opposite side of the street.

#### **Important for Pick-Up Only**

- 1. Curbside Pick-Up runs from 4:00 pm until 4:30 pm. If you arrive after 4:30 pm, you must park and come into the Rec Center to pick up your child. Please be sure to bring proper identification with you at this time.
- 2. Every person picking up must be on the authorization list and sign out the child they are picking up.

You will be asked to show proper identification to pick up your child at any time of the day. If you do not have proper ID and/or are not on the authorization list, you will not be allowed to pick up your child. Every effort will be made to call all persons on the child's authorization list for clearance and verification. If we are unable to reach anyone at that time, the child will remain with us.

- 3. We urge you not to arrive earlier than 4:00 pm, as it may jeopardize our privilege of utilizing the curbside shuttle.
- 4. An authorized list will be created that will allow certain individuals to pick up your child from camp. Both parents will be on the list unless court documents state that custody is different. Please be sure our office has a completed copy of that form or fill one out prior to camp. If at any time you need to make deletions or additions please contact our camp office.

#### **Carpools**

If you anticipate car-pooling with other campers, please be sure that all drivers are on your pick-up authorization list and have proper identification.

#### **Tardiness/Early Dismissal**

If your child will be arriving late or needs to leave camp early, a written note or phone call is required. Please indicate who will be picking up your child, as the camper will only be released to an authorized person with proper identification.

#### **Walk-In Procedures**

This applies to those enrolled in either the Before Care and/or After Care program.

**Important:** Please refer to curbside shuttle procedures if you are enrolled in only one of these programs.

- 1. Before Care times are 7:00 am through 8:00 am. After Care runs from 4:30 pm until 6:00 pm. We highly recommend pre-registering for these programs so that we have an accurate count for our counselors. While attending Before Care, children will have the option of playing board games, reading, drawing, and participating in some camp games that can be played in the Group Exercise Room.
- 2. On the first day of camp you will receive a Short Term Loading Permit, which must be placed on the driver's side dashboard of your car. This will allow you to temporarily park for up to 10 minutes. The permit is only valid between 7:00 am and 8:15 am and from 4:20 pm until 6:00 pm to drop off and pick up campers.
- 3. You may pull into any open parking place that is legal (DO NOT PARK IN HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACES, DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF A STOP SIGN, OR DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF THE FIRE HYDRANT).
- 4. For drop off, please walk your child into the building.
- 5. When picking up your child for After Care, please bring a photo ID to pick up your child. We will only accept a photo ID. You will be required to show your ID each day at pick up. If you do not have proper identification and/or are not on the authorization list, you will not be allowed to pick up that child. Every effort will be made to call all persons on the child's authorization list for clearance and verification. If we are unable to reach anyone at that time, the child will remain with us.

### So, What Should Your Child Expect?

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He/She can expect...
...to have fun
...to make some of the best friends they ever had - with both campers and
staff ... to finally figure out what "warm fuzzy" means
...to be exhausted at time
...to feel good about what they have accomplished
...to learn a lot about others and themselves
...to find out just how strong their sense of humor really
is ...to play hard
...to laugh hard
...to do some things that they never have done or thought of doing- and love
it! ...to be outdoors a lot
...to gain more from the experience than they thought they would...so much
more ...that 8 weeks will fly by and school will be right around corner
...to write lots of warm
fuzzies ... to learn
...to feel included
...to cry when it's time to say
goodbye ... to try something new
...to sing, dance, cheer, dress-up and act silly (and not be embarrassed)
... to be in safe hands
...to be busy all day
long ... to grow
...to learn the universal hand signal for "I love you but please be
quiet" ... to play with others who may be different
...to stand in a straight line and be quiet at the same
time! ... to feel good giving someone a warm fuzzy
...to follow the rules, even though they may not agree with all of them
...to look forward to receiving a warm fuzzy...to make memories that will last a life
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