SUMMERAMA 2020
a trail map to our future
INTRODUCTION

For over 40 years, the Vermont Parks & Recreation Association has hosted Summerama, a camp-specific training program for new and seasoned counselors and recreation staff. The purpose of this workshop is to supplement in-house staff orientations with a robust schedule of hands-on education sessions lead by regional camp professionals. Summerama is the first step toward training your staff and initiating a strong team bond that'll pull through the season.

MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAIR

JAZMIN AVERBUCK
GIRL SCOUTS OF THE GREEN AND WHITE MOUNTAINS

Because of the changes that COVID-19 has brought for our 2020 season we will not be offering an in-person staff training this year. We did, however, still want to be there for the communities and staff that are still working to provide, mentor, and teach at multiple capacities around the State of Vermont. For 2020, we have put together the following online resource guide to help our membership provide safe and enriching experiences for campers in our communities. Included are details about certification changes, links to training videos and other inspirational talks and presentations, sample documents, and so much more. We hope you find this information useful and relevant. Please share with your year-round and seasonal staff members as this is designed to be valuable to everyone! We hope to keep this as a working document in the year to come so we can also provide necessary updates and resources for the years to come. Thank you for all of your work through this difficult time. We hope this guide finds you safe and healthy as you provide programs and resources to Vermont families and communities.

- Jazmin
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Join us

TUESDAY, JUNE 9
SUMMERAMA VIRTUAL CAMP STAFF TRAINING
ALL ARE WELCOME!

Zoom Meeting Link:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82815427619?
pwd=My9TM2o1NDFOcWNVY0svd2xub3oyUT09

AGENDA

10:00AM: Welcome & Introduction
10:15AM: CEU Panel Discussion Session Begins
10:15AM: VT COVID-19 camp guidelines & implementation
discussion & Q&A with Kim Peters, Superintendent
Recreation and Parks, City of Rutland, VT & Dr. Breena
Holmes, Director of Child and Maternal Health at the
VT Dept. of Health
10:45AM: How to engage programming when not in person &
overnight camp discussion & Q&A with Jazmin
Averbuck, Resident Camp Director/Outdoor Program
Coordinator, Girl Scouts of the Green and White Mtns
11:15AM: Camp culture & counselors, motivation & direction
moving forward & Q&A with Scott Moore
11:45AM: Open Discussion
12:00PM: Meeting Adjourns
VT DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
COVID19 Health Guidance for Childcare, Afterschool, & Summer-Programs

AMERICAN CAMP ASSOCIATION
Camp Operations Guide

VERMONT AFTERSCHOOL COVID-19 RESOURCES
Includes licensing information as well as food program information

VERMONT GUIDANCE ON SWIM FACILITIES

AMERICAN RED CROSS CONSIDERATIONS FOR POOLS

GUIDANCE FOR CHILDCARE, SUMMER & AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS WEBINARS WITH DR. BREENA HOLMES

MAY 13, 2020: RECORDING
MAY 13, 2020: Q&A
MAY 20, 2020: RECORDING
MAY 20, 2020: Q&A
"A LEADER IS ONE WHO KNOWS THE WAY, GOES THE WAY, & SHOWS THE WAY"  
- JOHN C. MAXWELL

HEALTH AND SAFETY

COVID HEALTH & SAFETY IN CHILD CARE

LET’S GROW KIDS - COVID19 RESOURCES

STOP THE SPREAD OF GERMS (POSTER)

COPING WITH STRESS

ASSOCIATION OF CAMP NURSES: COVID-19 CONSIDERATIONS

AMERICAN CAMPS ASSOCIATION: COVID-19 HEALTH & WELLNESS

ASSOCIATION OF CAMP NURSES: COMMUNICABLE DISEASE MGMT

ACCESSING SUPPLIES FOR CHILDCARE SITES

PPE ESTIMATOR

COVID LIABILITY RELEASE FORMS

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STAFF TRAINING RESOURCES

ESSENTIAL CHILDCARE REQUIREMENTS
State of VT Health Guidance for Childcare and Schools Providing Childcare for Essential Persons

CDC HEADS UP TRAINING

AMERICAN RED CROSS CERTIFICATION INFO- LIFEGUARD & CPR

VT DEPARTMENT OF LABOR VOSHA TRAINING

"LEADERS DON’T CREATE FOLLOWERS- THEY CREATE MORE LEADERS"

SAFE SPORT: TRAINING AND EDUCATION SERVICES

LOCAL MOTION WEBINAR TRAINING

GENERAL PREPAREDNESS FOR CHILDCARE PROGRAMS

IMPACTFUL ACTIVITIES TO MAXIMIZE ONLINE STAFF TRAINING
BEING A COUNSELOR IS THE CLOSEST THING TO CELEBRITY STATUS I WILL EVER ACHIEVE

Sam Graulty’s Big Bag of Tricks

Camp Games for all ages

Essential camping knots

Water balloon volleyball

Happy camper live
Games, arts & crafts, etc. Free 7 day trial

ARTS & CRAFTS

Lunch Doodles with Mo Williams

Colors of Nature

Upcycled milk jug craft

250+ creative activities and crafts

Vermont Afterschool Summer Activity Guide
I WENT TO CAMP EXPECTING TO MAKE FRIENDS. I ENDED UP WITH FAMILY.

How to be a great leader

How to survive camp counselor training

10 ways to be the best camp counselor ever

Mindfulness Webinar

6 habits of great counselors

"I WENT TO CAMP EXPECTING TO MAKE FRIENDS. I ENDED UP WITH FAMILY."

Social Emotional Learning Webinar

5 myths about working as a camp counselor

10 tips every summer camp counselor needs to know
WHY GOOD LEADERS MAKE YOU FEEL SAFE

HOW FRUSTRATION CAN MAKE US MORE CREATIVE

5 DANGEROUS THINGS YOU SHOULD LET YOUR KIDS DO

9 TED TALKS THAT ANYONE WORKING IN SUMMER CAMP SHOULD WATCH
ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

**Association for Experiential Education**

Lots of videos on activities, hiring practices, inspirational talks etc.

**Rutland Camp Manual**

**Rutland Day Camp Info**

**Rutland Pool Opening Info**

**Pre-ride bike inspection**

**Bike brake lever setup and control**

**Safe Summer at King Street Center**

**VRPA COVID-19 Resources**

**ACA New England Camp Operations Guide**

**Camp Resources**

**The Aspen Institute - Project Play**

Webinars on youth sports and the pandemic and the future of getting kids and adults back in sports.

**The United States Tennis Association (USTA)**

Scroll to the bottom for a link to Tennis at Home which is fun for those who love tennis and can't play.
THANK YOU SUMMERAMA COMMITTEE!

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The Vermont Recreation and Parks Association is a non-profit organization dedicated to the promotion, development, and improvement of all recreation and park services within the State of Vermont. 400+ members strong, VPRA is committed to providing education, resources, and networking opportunities to professionals and citizen volunteers to assist with their role as advocates for parks and recreation services. We pride ourselves on providing personalized service. We strive to continuously update services based on the needs of members and develop strategies to advance our field. Member benefits include:

- Continuing Education
- Networking Opportunities
- Membership Directory
- Weekly Check-in e-newsletter
- Event & Program Discounts
- Professional Assistance
- Access to VRPA Resources
- Legislative Advocacy

-Jessica Brodie, Executive Director