

Hanover Parks & Recreation's 2020 Summer Programs

Session Dates

Session 1: July 6th-July 10th
Session 2: July 13th-July 17th
Session 3: July 20th- July 24th
Session 4: July 27th-July 31st
Session 5: August 3rd-August 7th
Session 6: August 10th-August 14th

Program Fees

Little Rec: \$170/session
Half Day Little Rec: \$125/session
Rec: \$170/session
Teen Extreme: \$210/session
FACE Partnership: \$130/session

Our programs are intended for children ages 3-15 years of age. Please register your child(ren) based on the grade they will be **entering in September 2020**. Little Rec is for incoming Pre-K & Kindergartners, Rec is for incoming 1st-7th graders and Teen Extreme is for incoming 6th-9th graders. Our programs are held at the Hanover Middle School.

We strive to meet the needs of our families and are pleased to continue using Google Forms for registration. Upon completing your registration form you will be directed to UniPay to complete your payment transaction. Our partnership with the Office of Family and Community Engagement continues to evolve starting with the above mentioned streamlined registration processes, better access to programs, one before and after care option for families and an onsite nurse located at Hanover Middle School for both Parks & Recreation and FACE participants.

Our goal is to provide a fun, safe and memorable summer experience and we look forward to creating experiences with your children!



Little Rec Director: Nora Ghostlaw • Assistant Activities Little Rec Director: Alex Anastasiades

Rec Director: Pete Arena • Assistant Activities Rec Director: Sean Joyce

Teen Extreme Directors: Lisa Bellantoni & Matt Doyle

Program Coordinator: Kimberly Donahue • Recreation Director: Lauren Rodday

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Registration and Payment Information

Please register after reading through the flyer for specific program information. **Please register your child(ren) in the grade they will be entering in September 2020.** Groups are created by grades. We will have to close a session once we have met our staff to participant ratio. Teen Extreme has a limit of 50 participants/session. Please register early to avoid session closures. *All payments must be made in full for your registration to be complete.*

Please make sure registration information is accurate as that is used as an emergency form

All forms and waivers must be returned before your child(ren) can attend.

- ☐ **Tree Top Adventures · Waiver Urban Air · Altitude Trampoline Park · Altitude H2O** (Teen Extreme)
- ☐ **Launch Waiver** (Rec)

Please click the following links to register (all registrations must be done through Google Forms):

[Little Rec](#)

[Rec](#)

[Teen Extreme](#)

[CIT](#)

Refund Policy

Refunds will be considered until April 10th with a \$20 processing fee. Requests must be made in writing and received prior to the April 10th deadline. After April 10th refunds will not be issued. Please consider personal vacations prior to registering. Thank you!

Prices will increase by \$10 on June 1st

As of June 1st all session prices will increase by \$10. Register before May 31st to avoid the price increase!

T-Shirt Information

Please make sure to put an accurate t-shirt size down for your child(ren) when registering. In order to guarantee your child(ren) receive their t-shirt during their session, please register before May 31st as we put in our first order at that time. If you register after June 21st, we cannot guarantee your child(ren) will get a t-shirt as that is our final order of the summer. The t-shirt is considered an equipment expense therefore participants only receive one t-shirt for the summer (not one per session).

Newsletter

A session newsletter will be emailed the Friday before the session begins providing information specific to that session. Please make sure you are providing an email you check regularly when you register your child(ren).

Pizza Cards (Punch Cards)

Pizza Cards will be available online to purchase through UniPay starting January 31st. Pizza Cards will be available to purchase in person on Mondays and Thursdays at 8:30am in the front of the Middle School July 6th-August 14th. Pizza is sold on Thursdays (Rec & Little Rec) and Italian Ice is sold Monday-Friday. Teen Extreme has pizza and Italian Ice on Mondays. Pizza is \$2/slice and Italian Ice is \$1 each. *Once you purchase a Pizza Card we cannot replace it if it is lost (Some families put their pizza card on a lanyard for their child wear when they use it and then attach to their cooler). Pizza Cards cannot be carried over from previous years. There will be no exceptions.*

Online Payment is done through [UniPay](#)

Programs

Little Rec and Rec

Monday-Friday

8:30am-2:30pm

Half Day Little Rec

Monday-Friday

8:30am-12:30pm

Teen Extreme

Monday-Thursday

9am-2pm

*unless otherwise noted on calendar

Counselor-In-Training (CIT) Program

The Counselor-In-Training program is offered as part of the Hanover Parks and Rec summer program. This CIT program is suited for youth ages 13-15. The volunteer CIT program is designed for those individuals who are interested in learning about leadership and working with children. The CIT's will assist in the day to day activities of our program under the direction of the Parks & Recreation Department Staff. Additional information is available by clicking the CIT Registration link above.

FACE/Hanover Parks & Recreation Partnership

Partnership Options

Our partnership with the Office of Family and Community Engagement continues this summer with the convenient option to participate in both programs July 6th-August 14th. Participants will transition midday between Hanover High School and Hanover Middle School as outlined below:

OPTION #1

Participants begin the day with the Office of Family & Community Engagement
Participants attend a FACE ENRICHMENT class between 8:30am – 11:30am
At dismissal, participants transition to Hanover Middle School under the supervision of FACE staff to attend Hanover Parks and Recreation until 2:30pm.

OPTION #2

Participants begin the day with Hanover Parks and Recreation
Participant attends HANOVER PARKS & RECREATION between 8:30am – 11:30am
At dismissal, participants transition to a FACE ENRICHMENT under the supervision of FACE staff to attend an afternoon Enrichment class until 3:00pm.

Depending on the time and location of field trips, Partnership Participants might not be able to attend the Rec field trip on Friday.

Summer Extended Care Programs

The Summer Extended Care Program, run through the Office of Family and Community Engagement includes both morning and afternoon care sessions for FACE and Hanover Parks and Recreation participants. The Summer Extended Care Program will be located at Hanover High School. Breakfast and snack will be provided daily.

AM Extended Care: 7:00am – 8:15am

PM Extended Care: 2:30pm – 5:30pm

The current rates for Extended Care are \$8/hour for 1 student. The sibling discount is \$10/hour for 2 students, and \$12/hour for 3 students. Families will be billed for the hours attended. Please note, there will be an hourly increase in our hourly rates effective 07/01/20. The new rates will be determined by 05/01/20 and will be updated in the brochure as well as posted to our website.

Participants **MUST** be enrolled in a program that allows for a transition to or from Summer Extended Care.

The Summer Extended Care Program does not offer a Full Day Care option. Please use the Office of Family and Community Engagement's **2020 Summer Extended Care** form to register through FACE.

Note: Participants utilizing AM care option will transition at 8:15am to their morning program under the supervision of FACE staff. Participants utilizing PM care option will transition to HHS at the close of their respective program under the supervision of that staff.

Hanover Parks & Recreation **Frequently Asked Summer Questions**

What are the names of your programs?

We have Little Rec, Rec and Teen Extreme. We also offer a CIT program as part of our summer programs.

What ages do you service?

We have programs for children entering Pre-K through 9th grade.

Little Rec: Potty-trained, Incoming Pre-K and Kindergarteners

Rec: Incoming 1st-7th graders

Teen Extreme: Incoming 6th-9th graders

CIT: 13-15 year olds

Where are your programs located?

Rec & Little Rec: Hanover Middle School

Teen Extreme: Hanover Middle School (and field trips all over New England)

CIT: Location will be with Little Rec, Rec or Teen Extreme

Where is Hanover Middle School?

Hanover Middle School is located at 45 Whiting Street Hanover, MA.

Where is Hanover High School?

Hanover High School is at 287 Cedar Street Hanover, MA.

How do I contact the office during programs?

Parks & Rec Office: 781-826-5000 ex. 1013

Recreation Cell Phone: 781-733-4707

Office at the COA: 781-826-5000 ex. 1057

Where is drop off and pick up at the Hanover Middle School?

Drop Off and Pick Up- Drop off starts at 8:30am. Please enter the HMS driveway and follow the traffic flow into the main parking lot on the right. Hanover Parks and Recreation traffic will be entering the main parking lot and will be routed to the back of HMS. A staff member will greet your child and playground assistants will be waiting for them to join their group. Pick up does not begin until 2:20pm. Again, please follow traffic flow and pull up to the farthest available cone where your child will meet you with a staff member.

IMPORTANT: In your windshield please place your child(ren)'s name so we can have them ready for pick up when you pull up to the cones. If your child is going home with anyone other than yourself, please send a note in the morning.

Late Drop Off/Early Dismissal- Please park to the left of the Hanover Middle School, walk along the access path to the left of the building, and sign in/out your child from the Parks & Rec Office located inside the weight room of the gym.

Are your programs inclusive?

Yes! Please contact us to discuss individual needs for us to collaborate to make this summer an incredible experience for all. Our staff is trained by Lisa Drennan of MERGE Consulting. "MERGE Diverse Abilities Inclusion Consulting understands and celebrates that people interact, learn and experience the world around them differently. We build stronger communities by providing expert guidance on inclusion of persons with diverse abilities. We work with community organizations providing recreation or social programs for the general population who are seeking to become more inclusive in their practices to ensure community members with diverse abilities are welcomed, engaged and successful in participation."

What are the dates of your programs?

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What are the hours of your programs?

Rec & Little Rec: Monday-Friday 8:30am-2:30pm

Half Day Little Rec: Monday-Friday 8:30am-12:30pm

Teen Extreme: Monday-Thursday 9:00am-2:00pm *times may vary due to field trips

What is the cost of your programs?

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What is the staff ratio of your programs?

Little Rec: One Director and the Assistant Activities Little Rec Director oversee the playground assistants allowing for a 10:1 child to staff ratio.

Rec: One Director and the Assistant Activities Director oversee the playground assistants allowing for 10:1 child to staff ratio.

Teen Extreme: Two Directors with 1-3 counselors depending on the number of children participating.

We also have one Program Coordinator and Recreation Director.

*Our ratios can change due to enrollment. We try to keep our ratios as low as possible, but they can change.































Most of our directors are teachers and our playground assistants are students both in college and high school with an interest in pursuing a career with children and have a passion for providing a fun and memorable summer experience for the children in our Community.

What is Little Rec?

An introductory program to get young children and families interested in Parks & Recreation summer activities and place where first friends are made! This is an inexpensive, age-appropriate opportunity for **potty-trained** incoming Pre-K and Kindergartners (3-5 year olds) where they will socialize and have fun with other children their age. Little Rec will serve as a first Parks & Recreation experience for participants creating lifelong fans of our summer programs! We understand this is the first time many of our Little Rec participants are away from home and provide many fun activities to keep them entertained and happy while with us! While at Little Rec, participants will play in a variety of games and activities at different stations. Some daily routines that happen at Little Rec are moving station to station with their groups, taking bathroom breaks, morning snack, lunch and Italian Ice, and lots of games and activities. Because Little Rec participants move to different stations throughout the day, it is very important they are able to recognize their own name and their playground assistant's name so that we can maintain a safe and fun environment! The Little Rec program is a great opportunity for children to meet other children of their age who they might be going to school together with in the fall!

What is the Little Rec Schedule?

LITTLE REC SUMMER 2020

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Session 1	7/6 	7/7 	7/8 Program Wide Insanity! 	7/9  Theme Day- HANOVER	7/10  Field Day- Summer Kick Off
Session 2	7/13 	7/14 	7/15 Program Wide Egg Drop Challenge! 	7/16  Theme Day- Neon	7/17  Inflatable Friday
Session 3	7/20 	7/21 	7/22  Program Wide Scavenger Hunt!	7/23  Theme Day- Patriotic	7/24  Inflatable Friday
Session 4	7/27 	7/28 	7/29 Program Wide Bingo! 	7/30  Theme Day- Super Hero	7/31  Inflatable Friday
Session 5	8/3 	8/4 	8/5 Program Wide Trivia! 	8/6  Theme Day- Hawaiian	8/7  Inflatable Friday
Session 6	8/10 	8/11 	8/12 Program Wide Clue! 	8/13  Theme Day- NE Sports	8/14  Field Day- Luau

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What does a typical day at Little Rec look like?

Little Rec will follow the typical Rec Day just at a smaller age appropriate pace. Little Rec will travel to stations throughout the day just like Rec. The major difference being Little Rec will have more indoor stations throughout the day for indoor games and activities. Little Rec families also have the option of registering for a full day or half day. The half-day ends after lunch so even on a half day you should pack a lunch.

What is Inflatable Fridays for Little Rec?































Our Little Rec group does not go on field trips so we bring the activity to them! Sessions 2-5 we will have a bounce house for our Little Rec participants to enjoy. Sessions 1 & 6 Little Rec will be able to participate in the Field Day and Luau.

What is Rec?

A memorable summer experience that has made a significant impact in the lives of countless Hanover residents over the past 50+ years. This is an inexpensive, age-appropriate opportunity for all youth to experience outdoor recreation, both passive and active with their peers, all while creating great memories and new friends!

What is the Rec Schedule?

REC SUMMER 2020

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Session 1	7/6 Singo 	7/7 Tie-Dye Tuesday 	7/8 Program Wide Insanity! 	7/9 Theme Day- HANOVER 	7/10 Field Day- Summer Kick Off 
Session 2	7/13 DJ Jim 	7/14 Tie-Dye Tuesday 	7/15 Program Wide Egg Drop Challenge! 	7/16 Theme Day- Neon 	7/17 Field Trip- Launch 
Session 3	7/20 Juggler 	7/21 Tie-Dye Tuesday 	7/22 Program Wide Scavenger Hunt! 	7/23 Theme Day- Patriotic 	7/24 Field Trip- Olympics 
Session 4	7/27 Bubble Show 	7/28 Tie-Dye Tuesday 	7/29 Program Wide Bingo! 	7/30 Theme Day- Super Hero 	7/31 Field Trip- Boston Bowl 
Session 5	8/3 Compadry 	8/4 Tie-Dye Tuesday 	8/5 Program Wide Trivia! 	8/6 Theme Day- Hawaiian 	8/7 Field Trip- Carousel Family Fun 
Session 6	8/10 Magic Show 	8/11 Tie-Dye Tuesday 	8/12 Program Wide Clue! 	8/13 Theme Day- NE Sports 	8/14 Field Day- Luau 

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What does a typical day at Rec look like?

Typical Day at Rec

Morning drop off begins at 8:30am. As parents arrive, the upper staff opens car doors and directs children to their groups. Drop off ends at 8:45am, and grades travel to their scheduled first station. Every 55 minutes the program director blows an air horn, and the grades travel to their next station/activity.

At 11:45am all participants travel to their shaded lunch spots and enjoy lunch. During lunch participants have the opportunity to purchase Italian Ices using their pre-purchased "pizza cards" (punch cards). On Thursdays, participants also have the opportunity to purchase Pizza using their pizza cards (we cannot accept cash from the children).

After lunch, grades continue rotating through stations. At 2:20pm participants proceed to the drop off/ pick up area to be picked up. Cars, with the participant(s) last name posted in the windshield, cycle through the parking lot as upper staff assist participants into their vehicles.

At the end of pick up, the remaining children registered for the Summer Extended Care Options are escorted to the High School with FACE.

*Teen Extreme (grades 6th-9th) will be based out of the Middle School gymnasium, and Little Rec (preschool-Kindergarten) will be on site and rotating stations throughout the Middle School as well. There will be opportunities for age appropriate interaction (e.g. sports tournaments, talent shows etc).

First Day- On the first day of each session during drop off, the upper staff greets children at their car doors and escorts children directly to their group. After drop off the Program Directors address the entire group and introduces all staff.

Rain Day- Little Rec and Rec grades 1st-2nd will have games and Arts and Crafts, grades 3rd-5th will watch a movie, and grades 6th-7th will play gym games. Every 1 hour the grades will switch until the end of the day. Teen Extreme will travel with older grades if on site. This schedule and groups are subject to change.


"Field" Fridays- On each Friday of a session, we will either attend a field trip or host a field day. Please see attached schedule for specific session activities. On the Field Trips all participants are required to wear a program shirt or a Hanover shirt.

What is Teen Extreme?

An exciting and unique experience for middle schoolers bridging the gap between organized summer activities and field trips. This is an inexpensive, age-appropriate opportunity for middle schoolers to socialize and stay active during the summer with their friends.

What is the Teen Extreme Schedule?

TEEN EXTREME SUMMER 2020

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Session 1	7/6 HMS 9am-2pm  Singo	7/7 Tree Top Adventure 9am-2pm 	7/8 Plymouth or Boston 9am-2pm	7/9 Lazergate 9am-2pm 
Session 2	7/13 HMS 9am-2pm DJ Jim 	7/14 Urban Air 9am-2pm 	7/15 Plymouth or Boston 9am-2pm	7/16 Altitude H2O 9am-2pm 
Session 3	7/20 HMS 9am-2pm  Juggler	7/21 Water Wizz 9am-3:30pm 	7/22 Olympics 	7/23 Plymouth or Boston 9am-2pm
Session 4	7/27 HMS 9am-2pm  Bubble Show	7/28 Canobie Lake Park 9am-5pm 	7/29 Plymouth or Boston 9am-2pm	7/30 Altitude Trampoline Park 9am-2pm 
Session 5	8/3 HMS 9am-2pm Campardy 	8/4 Six Flags 8:30am-7:30pm 	8/5 Plymouth or Boston 9am-2pm	8/6 Newport 9am-2pm 
Session 6	8/10 HMS 9am-2pm Magic Show 	8/11 Water Wizz 9am-3:30pm 	8/12 Plymouth or Boston 9am-2pm	8/13 Movies & Mall Time TBD 

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What does a typical day at Teen Extreme look like?

Onsite Days- The morning usually starts with drop off by parents at 9:00am. Upper staff will greet children while the playground assistants are inside and ready with activities. Cell phones are not needed as there are plenty of fun activities to participate in. The staff will be organizing games and activities at all times throughout the day. In an effort to support the pre-teen's independence none of the activities are required. By doing this many of the children join activities because they "want to" not because they are forced, creating a much better summer environment for our middle schoolers. Due to popular demand a sports based tournament will be organized each week. At 11:30am the entire program gathers for picnic lunch. Italian Ice and pizza are available for purchase with their pizza cards. Activities continue throughout the day until pick up at 2:00pm.

Field Trips- At the 9:00am drop off (unless otherwise noted), the bus provided by Ingle Bus service will arrive at the Middle School at which point all children and staff will board the bus and head off for the days field trip. Upon arrival at the location the staff will pick out a suitable "home base" location where children can leave their back packs, lunches or any other equipment they may have brought, also where one staff member will remain for the day as the check-in location. On some field trips Hanover Teen Extreme will be the only people present on site so all participants are 100% supervised. On other trips such as Six Flags it is impossible to request that the site be only available to Hanover Teen Extreme. In these cases the parent/guardians can decide if they would like their children to travel with a staff member or without during the field trip. Children that are not with a member of our staff must stay with their partner the entire trip and must check in at all appropriate check in times. Failure to follow those rules can lead to the participant "sitting out" the remainder of the field trip or if seen necessary by upper staff asked not to come back for the remaining of the session. Our participant's safety is most important to us and is taken very seriously. All children report back to the home base shortly before leaving to do a final head count. When all participants are present, the staff will escort everyone to the bus for the ride back to the Middle School. Most field trip days are from 9:00am-2:00pm, however some trips are far away and to give us adequate time to explore the hours will be extended. All parents/guardians are notified of trips with extended hours. **On the Field Trips all participants are required to wear a program shirt.**

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Do you have a nurse?

Yes, we have an onsite nurse. If your child does not currently attend Hanover Public Schools in the 2019/2020 school year additional paperwork will be needed and we will send that packet to you using the email address you provide when registering.

From Hanover Public Schools Health Services-

- Does the Hanover Public Schools Health Office currently have a current and valid prescribers order for the medication and or the nursing services that the student will require while in our care? School nurse may need to reach out to you if there are any questions.
- Medication must be delivered by a parent/guardian or adult designee to the Hanover Public Schools Health Office in a pharmacy labeled container with only enough medication needed for the duration of the program.
- Label must have child's name, dose, name of prescriber, name of medication, when it is to be given.

What can I look forward to on Mondays?

We have added Monday entertainment for our Little Rec, Rec and Teen Extreme participants! For some events we will break off into age appropriate groups and for others we can all enjoy the entertainment together!

- July 6th- SINGO!
- July 13th- Games and music with DJ Jim
- July 20th- Juggler
- July 27th- Bubble Show
- August 3rd- Campardy
- August 10th- Magician

What can you tie-dye?

We have tie-dye every Tuesday to allow all participants to participate. You may tie dye your shirt that you receive from us or anything white (shirts, bandanas, etc) you'd like!

What are Program Wide Activities?

Program Wide Activities are on Wednesdays. We gather all of our Rec and Little Rec participants for an afternoon all together! For some activities we will break off into age appropriate groups and for others we can all participate at the same time.

- Insanity- Just the way it sounds. Participants are broken up into teams with their counselor being the team leader. The emcee will ask silly questions or ask them to show them something and the first group to present what the emcee asks or gets the answer correct wins a point. Example: Someone wearing a red shirt. We will have 2 games. One game played by LR-2 and another game played by 3-6.
- Egg Drop Challenge- Each counselor will be given an egg. During Arts and Crafts time, each counselor group will work together as a team to construct some sort of a protective covering using arts and crafts supplies. At the end of the day each egg will be dropped off of the roof of HMS (by a Director) and we will determine whose egg will survive. Will Yours?

- Scavenger Hunt- A great way to get kids active and to work together as a team. Counselor groups will be sent out to find CIT's who will then present them with an activity to complete. Example: volley a ball over the net 5 consecutive times. After the task is complete the team card will get stamped. Fill up your whole card first and you win!
- BINGO- A fun group activity for our kids to all work together and cheer each other on! Bingo is a game in which players mark off numbers on cards as the numbers are drawn randomly by a caller, the winner being the first person/team to mark off five numbers in a row or another required pattern.
- Trivia- Just as simple as it sounds! Participants are broken up into teams with their counselor being the team leader. The emcee will ask age appropriate pop trivia and Park and Rec questions. Whatever team gets the answer correct first wins a point. We will have 2 games. One game played by LR-2 and another game played by 3-6.
- Clue- the Parks and Rec version: Based on the classic whodunit board game. Teams will compete by counselor group to figure out which director stole the Park and Rec summer Olympic trophy, when, and where they hid it. Do you have any guesses?

Should my child(ren) dress up for Theme Day?

YES! Theme Days are so much fun! Please send your child(ren) in full theme spirit! The group that has the most group spirit will win a prize (ex. on Neon Day the prize is neon sunglasses). Theme days might just be our favorite day of the week!

What is Olympic Day?

Hanover, Rockland & Abington Recreation Departments started the Olympics in 2016. We now have a Teen Olympics Days and a Rec Olympics Day (Hanover holds the trophy for the 2017 & 2018 Rec Olympics!). We go to Forge Pond Park and break into age appropriate groups to compete against surrounding Towns in different field games and sporting events.

Will the participants be outside all day?

Though most of our activity stations are outdoors, the use of the Hanover Middle School affords our program the ability to utilize the gym as a station throughout the day. All programs will also utilize the HMS gym during inclement weather. We coordinate our schedule to allow for Little Rec and Rec participants to rotate between the gym, shaded outdoor stations, and open field stations throughout the day. On hot days we encourage parents and guardians to pack extra water bottles, and we play a lot of water games and stay in the shade or in the gym as much as possible. Teen Extreme has use of half the HMS gym on Mondays.

What are some examples of activities at different stations?

We want our participants to have fun all day and enjoy the activities at each station. There will always be multiple options and both active and passive options. Below are some examples of different activities.

Passive Activities- bracelet making, beads (animals, bracelets, key chains, etc), board games, cards, reading, legos, coloring, crafts, Simon Says, yard games and more!

Active Activities- tennis baseball, wiffleball, soccer, basketball, Uncle Sam, Frisbee, capture the flag, tag, wall ball, pickle, kickball, hula hoop rock/paper/scissors, hungry hippos, yard games, Newcomb Ball, volleyball, gaga pit, World Cup, talent show and more!

Is there a playground at the Middle School?

No, there is not a playground. Weather and schedule permitting Rec and Little Rec can walk to Cedar School through the maintenance trail to enjoy the playground there.

What should I pack my child?

For both Little Rec and Rec programs, pack multiple waters; we take water breaks in between every station. Pack a snack and lunch in a cooler. Children can leave their coolers and backpacks at their lunch station all day, so they will not have to carry it from station to station; however they are encouraged to have a water bottle with them that will travel station to station. For Teen Extreme, each week varies for field trips and lunches can be purchased on most trips, but you have the option of packing a lunch as well. We encourage you to still pack a cooler with snacks and multiple waters.

Can you reapply sunscreen and/or bug spray throughout the day?

Per Hanover Public Schools Health Services- "Students should apply sunscreen and/or bug spray before arriving at the program. If a student requires sunscreen or bug spray to be reapplied, the parent/guardian must send in their own sunscreen or bug spray, labeled, with written instructions including the time of reapplication and whether the student will self apply or apply under supervision of the school nurse."

How are your groups formed?

Groups are formed by grade alphabetically. Children will travel with their friends throughout the day, but for their groups it is done alphabetically for attendance purposes.

Do you offer financial aid?

There is a limited amount of funding available for financial aid graciously donated by the VNA.

Do you allow cell phones during your program?

We do not allow the use of cell phones in our programs; participants may use the Recreation phone at any time. We are not responsible for lost or damaged cell phones. We encourage an “unplugged” experience at our programs for our participants.

Do you offer any specialized programs?

Our partnership with the Office of Family and Community Engagement allows participants to register for a class tailored to a particular interest/hobby through FACE Enrichment but also participate in the various everyday summer activities offered during the day at Hanover Parks and Recreation programs. Option 1 allows participants to take a FACE Enrichment class in the morning and spend their afternoon with Hanover Parks & Recreation. Option 2 allows participants to spend their morning with Hanover Parks & Recreation and then transition to a FACE Enrichment class for the afternoon.

Who can participate in the FACE Partnership?

The FACE Partnership is available for all Rec participants and Little Rec participants entering Kindergarten in the 2020/2021 school year. Teen Extreme participants are unable to participate in the FACE Partnership because of the conflicting schedules.

Do you offer extended care options?

Summer Extended Care Programs will include both morning and afternoon care options for Hanover Parks and Recreation and FACE participants. The Summer Extended Care Programs are through FACE and will be located at Hanover High School.

Where is the Summer Extended Care Program?

Drop-off and pick-up for Summer Extended Care Programs will be at the Hanover High School (run through the Office of Family and Community Engagement). Hanover Parks & Recreation participants utilizing morning care will transition to the Hanover Middle School at 8:30am and the Hanover Parks & Recreation participants utilizing afternoon care will transition to the Hanover High School at 2:30pm. The Extended Care Program is run by FACE staff members.

Do you have additional questions?

Please contact us at recreation@hanover-ma.gov or 781-826-5000 ext. 1057 and we would be happy to help!