

The 2024 proposed Parks and Recreation fees are reflective of the Town's people's desire to be more efficient with our budgeting. Historically the fees for the program have not been fully funded by the families that use the program. Over the past 5 years the fees of the summer camp covered the following percentages of the Parks and Recreation Budget: 30 % in 2023, 27% in 2022, 8% in 2021, 11% in 2019 and 11% in 2018. A fee of \$580 will be on track to make the Parks and Recreation budget a net zero impact to the tax payers and more of a user fee system.

Camp Fees Current:

Income as 12/6/23- \$10,105.00

Signed up before May 14th: \$ 150 for a child and \$300 for a family.

Signed up after May 15th: \$ 200 for a child and \$400 for a family.

\$5.00 t-shirt fee

With this current rate it only covers 30% of the budget. With the proposed budget for 2024 the tax impact is \$0.05 per thousand. If your home is worth \$320,000 you will be paying \$16 for the park program in your taxes. In 2023 there was only one scholarship out of 72 campers.

Proposal One:

\$ 580 per child and includes t-shirt fee and Field Trips.

Proposal two:

Signed up before May 14th: \$ 225 for a child and \$440 for two children \$580 for three or more. Includes field trip fee and T-shirt.

Signed up after May 15th: \$ 275 for a child and \$460 for two children \$655 for three or more. Includes field trip fees.

Proposal Three:

Signed up before May 14th: \$ 225 for a child and \$440 for a family. Includes field trip fees and T-Shirt.

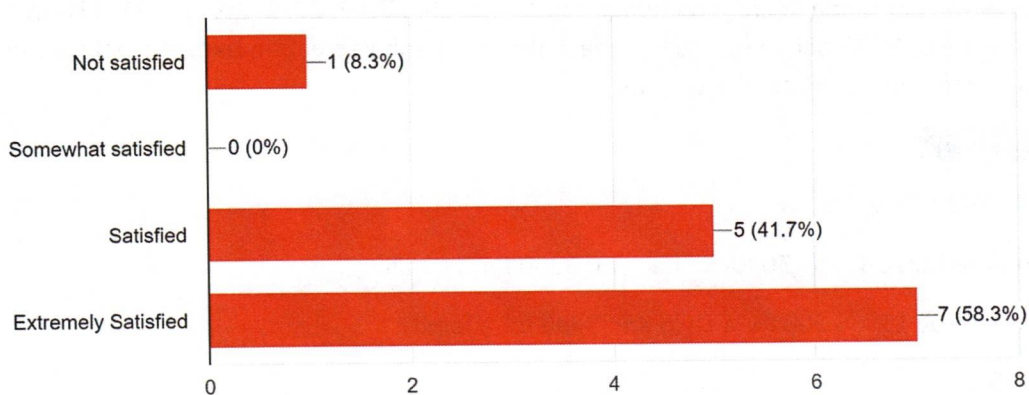
Signed up after May 15th: \$ 230 for a child and \$470 for a family. Includes field trip fees and T-Shirt.

Part time Camper 1 or 2 weeks out of the whole summer would be \$72.50 for one week or 145 for two weeks.

★ Public Hearing
Continued to
December 14, 2023
@ 6:00pm ★

What is your overall satisfaction rating of the camp?

12 responses



Do you have any additional comments regarding your first answer? 7 responses

Better advertisement pre sign ups. Many people missed out because we don't check the town website and Facebook is unreliable

Camp is awesome and fun

Organized and engaging

Not like it used to be

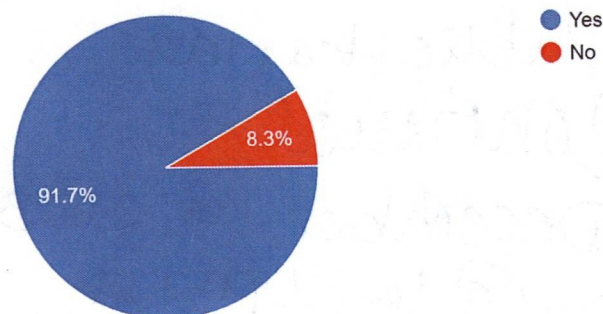
We missed the field trips this year!!

Weekly Friday field trips as in the past. Charge extra for the trips to cover transportation

I think they do a great job having kids stay active, but also give them the freedom that summer deserves to create their own schedules.

Would you recommend this camp to other residents?

12 responses



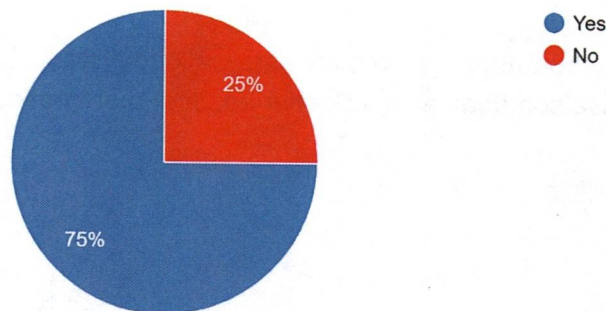
If you answered no to recommending the camp to other residents, please tell us why. 2 responses

Great for the kids

Too expensive and not enough activities anymore

Would you be willing to pay additional costs for field trips during the camp season?

12 responses



What was the camper's least favorite part of summer camp?

12 responses

Not being able to swim

Rain

No place cool to be if it's really hot or raining

Don't think there was a least favorite

During the rain it was extremely loud for my camper while inside

Rainy days

Being picked up!!

Rainy days

Lots of board games were destroyed

Prior years had more field trips.

What was the camper's favorite part of summer camp?

12 responses

Basketball

Going to cretes

Lori and the counselors

Enjoying time with friends

Having a lot of her friends from school there and playing any outdoor game they wanted

Seeing friends

Playing with friends and having the best camp counselors.

What would you like to see offered at summer camp next year? 12 responses

Field trips

Friday field trips

Same counselor's

A few field trips but more notice about them (even if they are walking distance) We missed signing her up for the few because someone else picks her up. Just more notice.

More field trips, not just once a week

Field trips

Field trips as they used to have

More field trips would be neat

I'm happy with the way it is run. The flexibility of drop off and pick up are great. If we could have more field trips, I'm sure that would give the kids more special days to look forward to, however some kids may be left out if field trips cost an additional fee. So I'd say either make a blanket increase to the camp cost or have 'scholarship' funds available so that everyone has the same opportunity to participate. As someone who can afford the additional fee, I'd even be willing to pay an for an extra field trip to have the funding in the 'scholarship' fund.

More activities scheduled