

DANCE NEW ENGLAND

YOUNG PEOPLE'S PROGRAM SUMMER 2010

Dear Families,

Welcome to the 31st year of DNE Summer Camp! The Young People's Program (YPP) is off to a great start. We'll be delighted to see returning families and friends, and are eager to meet new families and friends too!

We look forward to providing an exciting program at Camp Robin Hood this summer; the site offers us lots of space, both indoors and out, in which to create our home-away-from-home!

This year several new staff members will be joining us, and we'll welcome back a core of returning teachers. We'll offer the usual fun mix of arts, free play, organized games, swimming, and community building activities. Please read on as there are a few changes to the YPP letter this year.

Posted on the website you will find some information to read, and some forms to print out, fill out, and bring to camp with you to hand in when registering your child.

We require all families to complete and submit health forms for each child in person.

No child will be permitted to attend the YPP without the appropriate completed forms.

On the web site you'll find:

- **General YPP Information**
- **Medical Release/Insurance form (Print out/ fill out and bring to camp)**
- **Health form (Print out/ fill out and bring to camp)**

In addition, we're requesting that each child come with a photo of him/herself to put up in their YPP cabin, and an old, over-sized shirt (maybe a cast-off of Dad's or Mom's) to use as a smock.

The YPP is a multifaceted, engaging, and highly cherished element of the DNE community. We strive to provide a safe and interactive learning environment for all our participants (children, teachers, and parents), with a focus on fostering friendship. Please contact me if you have any pressing questions or concerns, either before camp or during the program.

We look forward to seeing you and your children!

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YPP 2010 Calendar for Participating Families

Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
8/13 <i>YPP Closed</i> 9:30 – 6:00 <i>Teaching Staff Orientation/ Prep/ Planning (Fri. and Sat.)</i>	8/14 <i>YPP Closed</i> 4:00– 5:30 Parent/ child YPP Open House & submission of medical release/ health forms to YPP office	8/15 Day 1 9:15 – 5:45	8/16 Day 2 9:15 – 5:45	8/17 Day 3 9:15 – 5:45	8/18 <i>YPP Closed</i> 4:00– 5:00 Parent/ child YPP Open House & submission of medical release/ health forms to YPP office	8/19 Day 4 9:15 – 5:45
8/20 Day 5 9:15 – 5:45	8/21 Day 6 9:15 – 5:45	8/22 Day 7 9:15 – 5:45	8/23 9:15 - NOON Last Day of YPP	8/24 <i>Last Day of Camp</i>		
			<i>Pick-up required at lunchtime</i>			

- YPP is in session on shaded days only.
- YPP begins at 9:15am for drop-off and concludes at 5:45pm for pickup.
(Families can begin arriving at 9:00am if this helps for the transition.)

PLEASE NOTE: DNE is offering classes Saturday the 14th, Wednesday the 18th, Monday, the 23rd in the afternoon, and Tuesday, August 24th, although the Young People's Program will not be running (the 23rd is a half day, with pick-up at noon). Parents and guardians wishing to take these classes are responsible for making proper arrangements for their children during these time periods.

Please also note that families arriving in the afternoon on Tuesday 8/17 to participate in the Community Meeting, will need to wait to register their children for the YPP until the Registration & Open House on Wednesday 8/18 at 4:00pm.