

# Montvale Rec Summer Camp FAQ

## (Grades 1-5)

### Who are the Camp Directors?

Mrs. Loranger



Mr. Kevin



Mr. LoPresti



Mrs. LoPresti



### What are the camp hours?

The 2024 camp hours are 9:30am-2:30pm.

### What ages are included in Summer Camp?

Summer Camp is for children entering grades 1-5 in September of 2024. For campers entering grades 6 and 7, we offer a trips camp called Adventure Camp. More information about Adventure Camp can be found on our website: [montvalerecreation.org](http://montvalerecreation.org)

### Is there a camp for children entering Kindergarten?

Montvale Rec does not offer a camp for children entering Kindergarten. However, there is a Kindergarten Camp offered through Memorial Elementary School. Please contact the school for more information.

### Where is camp located?

Camp is located at 1 Memorial Drive. Dropoff and pickup will be on the basketball courts. Please park in a parking spot along Memorial Drive to let campers out of the car. Parents of younger campers are encouraged to walk their camper to their group. For pickup, parents must sign out their camper from their group.

### What activities do the campers do on a day-to-day basis?

Each group has a designated, rotating, daily schedule of activities. Activities include structured field games (led by a director), non-contact sports, playground play, free play, snack, lunch and rest in a shady area. Campers will also spend time indoors doing art (led by a director), board games, gymnasium games and utilize game tables. Campers will also participate in activities and projects based on each week's theme.

### Is there before or aftercare?

Montvale Rec Camp does not offer before or aftercare at this time. However, we do work together with the Montvale Summer Essential Learning program which typically takes place during camp weeks in Memorial Elementary School from 8:00am-9:30am. Campers who

attend that program prior to camp will be picked up by a Camp Director shortly before 9:30am and walked to their Rec Camp group to be signed in. More information about the Montvale Summer Essential Learning program can be found by going to [montvalek8.org](http://montvalek8.org)

### **Can I register for less than 4 weeks?**

No, at this time there is only a 4 week registration option regardless of weeks attended.

### **What is the refund policy?**

Registration fees are non-refundable unless a medical note from a doctor can be provided or there is a waitlist for your child's group.

### **Do you offer financial assistance?**

Yes, if you would like to send your child to camp and financial assistance is required, please email [MontvaleRecreation@montvaleboro.org](mailto:MontvaleRecreation@montvaleboro.org) for additional information.

### **Can non-residents register for camp?**

During the registration period of March 4 – May 1, non-residents may only sign up for the waitlist. After registration closes on May 1, camper groups will be evaluated to see if there is any room to accommodate non-resident campers off the waitlist. To add your child to the waitlist, please email [MontvaleRecreation@montvaleboro.org](mailto:MontvaleRecreation@montvaleboro.org) with your contact information as well as the child's name, gender and grade entering in September.

### **What happens if it rains during camp hours?**

Camp will still be held in the event of rain. Groups will gather in Memorial School for the duration of the inclement weather. Campers will be rotated through classrooms, art, gym activities, snack and lunch. Drop off and pick up will take place in the gymnasium at Memorial School. Please see the parent handbook for the alternative traffic pattern for pickup and drop off when the lightning detector is active.

### **Do the kids do any trips?**

Yes, there is one off site trip per week to the bowling alley (14 W Grand Ave). Campers will walk with their counselors and a director to play two games and get snacks if they choose. The camp is crossed by a crossing guard and/or police officer who temporarily halts traffic on Grand Ave.

### **Is Camp both inside and outside?**

Yes, camp activities occur on the park grounds of Memorial Drive, inside the air-conditioned Rec Center (gameplay) and inside Memorial Elementary School (gymnasium, classrooms, art and rain days) which is also air-conditioned.

### **Are there any water activities?**

Yes, the camp utilizes the inground sprinklers of the grass fields daily as well as inflatable water slides once a week. There is also structured water games and water balloons occasionally.

### **Is lunch provided?**

No. Please send you camper with a lunch daily. Each group will have a designated bucket to store their lunchbox in until their lunchtime. We are a nut free camp, please never send your camper with a snack or lunch with any type of nut! Lunch is under a large shaded tent at picnic tables.

### **What should I pack for my camper daily?**

Please send your camper with the following items: sneakers, towel, bathing suit, water play shoes, sunscreen, a hat, reusable water bottle (to be refilled in the school bottle filling stations), a snack, lunch and icepack.

### **What are the typical group sizes?**

Groups typically range between 18 and 22 campers. Some groups may have more or less depending on the size of that class.

### **Is there a camp nurse?**

Yes! Our camp nurse, Barabra Reinke, is a Registered Nurse and is located in the nurse's office at Memorial Elementary School. Campers and counselors are treated by Nurse Barbara for any and all ailments or injuries.

### **What is the camp sick policy?**

Please do not send your child to camp if they are feeling ill. If your camper begins feeling ill while at camp, we will ask that you have them picked up as soon as possible. Campers must be symptom and fever free, without medication, for 24 hours before returning to camp.

### **Do I need to report my camper absent?**

Only campers that walk to camp need to be reported absent.