

MONTEREY RECREATION BEHAVIOR POLICY

It is the expectation of Monterey Recreation staff that children behave in an appropriate manner while taking part in our programs. Inappropriate behavior will be reported to parents in a timely manner and repeated disciplinary problems may lead to temporary suspension or permanent exclusion from the program. The method of discipline utilized by Recreation staff is "time out" (generally one minute per year of age).

To provide optimum care for your child and to ensure the safety of all program participants and staff, we expect each child to follow the behavior policy listed below. Please review the Behavior Policy with your child so that he or she is familiar with the rules and understands the expectations of the Recreation staff.

THE PARTICIPANT WILL:

- Follow all program rules and regulations.
- Obey authority.
- Participate in the program.

THE PARTICIPANT WILL NOT:

- Use profanity or abusive language. The use of curse words and name calling will not be tolerated.
- Leave the assigned area.
- Disrupt the activities of the program.
- Willfully defy the Monterey Recreation staff. Recreation staff is to be respected and obeyed at all times to ensure safety among all participants.

The following behaviors are considered **SEVERE**. The consequences of these behaviors may result in program suspension or expulsion. Because of the severity of the act, the consequences may be **IMMEDIATE, with no prior notice given**. Each incident will be handled on a case by case basis in a fair and consistent manner.

1. Harming other children or staff. Hitting, kicking, slapping, pushing, biting, spitting and any other forms of physicality are not allowed.
2. Harassment of children or staff, including bullying, intimidation, "cyber-bullying," hazing or initiation, or any other verbal, written or physical conduct that causes or threatens to cause bodily harm or emotional suffering.
3. Carrying a weapon or other dangerous objects.
4. Leaving the area.
5. Possession, under the influence, selling of alcohol or drugs, or providing alcohol, tobacco, or drug paraphernalia.
6. Habitual profanity or obscenity.
7. Habitual defiance of authority.
8. Damage, stealing, or attempting to steal program or private property.
9. Severe disruption of program activities.
10. Robbery or extortion.

The cooperation and support of parents better enables the Monterey Recreation staff to provide a safe, secure, quality recreation experience for the young program participants.

I agree and understand the Behavior Policy and the consequences of the inappropriate behaviors.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Please Print Name: _____