



Hello and welcome!

My name is Emma Martinage, and I'm so excited to be returning as the Director of Club Simonds again this summer! This summer I am joined by Brian O'Neil, our amazing Assistant Director, and together we're thrilled to welcome you and your children to the program.

We can't wait for all the fun and memories that lie ahead. We've put together all the important information you'll need to help make this summer the best one yet—from what to bring each day to a preview of the exciting activities we have planned. We ask that you please read through to familiarize yourself with policies and procedures. **If you have any questions or need further information, don't hesitate to reach out to us!**

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Thank you for being part of Club Simonds—we're looking forward to an incredible summer together!

Warmly,
Emma & Brian

Morning Drop-Off

Regular drop-off starts precisely at 9:00 AM and goes to 9:30 AM at the top parking lot at Simonds Park. Please form a line of cars starting at the front gate—our staff will be there to greet you! To keep things moving safely and efficiently, we kindly ask that you **stay in your vehicle**. A staff member will come to your car to help your child out and get them started on their day.

If you've **registered** for early drop-off, follow the same process beginning at 8:00 AM.

Pick Up

Pick-up takes place from 3:40 PM to 4:00 PM each day. Please form a car line the same way as morning drop-off—starting at the front gate. For everyone's safety and to help things run smoothly, we ask that you arrive on time. Participants will be grouped near the entrance of

Simonds Park, and a staff member will approach your car to ask for your child's **name and unit**. We'll then safely escort your child to your vehicle.

Late arrivals will result in a late slip. Repeated occurrences may result in consequences that could affect your child's participation in the program.

If someone other than a parent or guardian is picking up your child, please send them with a signed note giving that person permission. Be sure your child knows who will be picking them up, and don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns about pick-up.

Daily Schedules:

Each day at Club Simonds is packed with fun! A typical day includes unit activities, pool time, clubs, lunch, crafts, all-camp games, and much more.

If your child is placed in a different unit than their friends, don't worry—they'll still have plenty of chances to see each other throughout the day during shared activities and camp-wide events!

We also have some special weekly highlights:

- Thursday Shows – Every Thursday, we welcome exciting guest performers and entertainment for everyone to enjoy!
- Wacky Water Wednesdays – Get ready for water balloon games, a giant waterslide, and tons of splash-filled fun! **If your child has a latex allergy, please be sure to let us know, especially for water balloon activities.**

- **Theme Days!** Please feel free to dress up and show your spirit! Some theme days we will have a special snack and events. Please contact us if you have any concerns about your child's participation.

A: Thursday July 3rd: Red, White, and Blue Day- stars, stripes and summer vibes! (Special Snack: Bomb Pops)

B: Friday July 11th: Future Me Day! From firefighter to fashion designer—be the future YOU! (Burlington Fire and Police)

C: Friday July 18th: Mid-summer Monster Mash - costumes, chills and summer thrills... It's Halloween in July!

D: Friday July 25th: Club Simonds Olympics- let the games begin! (Freeze Pop special snack)

E: Friday, August 1st: Tropical Day! Escape to paradise—no passport needed! (Snack: Kona Ice Truck)

F: Thursday, August 7th: The Greatest Show - The Ultimate Carnival Experience!
(carnival snacks)

What To Pack:

To help your child have the best day possible, please make sure they come to program each day with the following:

- Sunscreen – Please apply before arrival and pack extra for reapplication during the day.
- Lunchbox – Include lunch and at least two snacks (one for the morning and one for the afternoon). ***All food must be NUT FREE to ensure the safety of participants with allergies.***
- Bathing Suit – Most days will include water play and/or time in the wading pool.
- Towel – For drying off after water activities.
- Water Bottle (plus extra water) – Insulated bottles are best to keep drinks cool throughout the day.

Please do not bring toys, books, electronics, or other personal recreational items—our program will provide all necessary equipment and materials.

Allergies:

If your child has any allergies that require the use of an emergency response device (such as an EpiPen), please send them to program with the device each day, with a clear label indicating:

- Whether the EpiPen should **stay at program in the cabin** for the week
or
- Be **brought back and forth** each day

Important: No EpiPen will be administered without the **required documentation.**

Please refer to **page 23 of the Summer Brochure** for our full allergy policy.

The necessary paperwork must be submitted **to the office before your child's first day** of the program. You can also find the paperwork at the link below:

<https://www.burlington.org/DocumentCenter/View/82/EpiPen-Policy-and-Forms-PDF>

Rain Day Information:

If there is a chance of rain, please check the **Burlington Recreation Facebook page** or call the **cancellation line at 7:00 AM** for an official rain day notice. If the program is moved indoors, **Francis Wyman Elementary** will be our rain day location **41 Terrace Hall Ave, Burlington, MA.** Drop off and pick up will be at the rear entrance of the school, by the gym.

Thunderstorms:

In the event of an unexpected thunderstorm at Simonds, we have specific procedures to keep

your children safe inside the cabin. If there is just a passing shower, we will remain at Simonds and continue programming outdoors—as long as it is safe to do so.

We look forward to seeing you at Club Simonds this summer!