# EAST PENNSBORO TOWNSHIP PLAYGROUND PROGRAM

# Adams-Ricci

ARI (6-9) & ARII (10-12) Keystone Pavilion 100 East Penn Drive, Enola

# **Midway**

(6-12 years old)
Township Building
98 S Enola Drive, Enola

# <u>Ridley</u>

(6-12 years old)
Creekside Pavilion
1625 Matthew Road, Camp Hill

**Requirements** - The East Pennsboro Township Playground Program is for Township Residents only. Children must be 6 (or have completed Kindergarten) to 12 years of age.

**Registration** - Registration and the one-time \$50 fee is required prior to your child's first day. Visit RecDesk (eastpennsboro.recdesk.com) or request a paper application to register.

**Program Schedule** - The Playground Program operates for 6 weeks, beginning June 16 and ending on August 1. Playground will be closed for the week of June 30 – July 4. Weekly activities and field trips are planned at the discretion of Staff and are subject to change.

**Program Hours** - Playground hours of operation are Monday - Friday, 9:00am until 12:00pm. We are not be responsible for children before or after program hours. When dropping off and picking up, use parking spaces to sign-in (no earlier than 8:45am) & sign-out (no later than 12:00pm). Please be prompt in picking up your child at Noon each day.

**Weather** - Playground is not a rain or shine program due to the lack of indoor facilities at the various sites. ALL PLAYGROUNDS WILL CLOSE FOR RAIN AND SEVERE WEATHER. Notifications will be emailed and sent through the Remind App.

**Playground Activities** - Children are free to participate in outdoor recreation with Counselor supervision. Activities, such as board games, sports, creek play, crafts and playground games are encouraged, but children are never forced to participate.

**Field Trips** - Weekly field trips are planned for the playground program and subject to change. Your child must have transportation to the field trip location and applicable admission fees. If you do not wish to participate in the field trip activity, do not send your child to the playground location on those days. Playground counselors and leaders will meet you at the field trip location.

**Personal Items** - Only bring items to Playground that are necessary and labeled with your child's name. Send a reusable water bottle every day. Please keep electronics at home! East Pennsboro Township is not responsible for lost or damaged items.

**Illness** - If your child is sick, stay home! We ask that you help protect the health of everyone by staying home when your child feels sick. If your child becomes ill during program hours, we will notify the emergency contact and expect the child to be taken home.

**Safety** - A First Aid kit travels with the playground staff. A phone is available to staff at all times for emergency purposes only. In the event of an accident, Parent/Guardian is notified, and an accident report is kept on file.

**Discipline** - Playground participants are expected to abide by all of the rules that they have followed all school-year long. **Always be respectful of others.** We will not tolerate behavior that disrupts playground and creates an unsafe environment. Encourage your child to tell a counselor if they are experiencing problems with others. These concerns will be addressed immediately with verbal warnings, consequences and Time-Outs. More serious infractions will follow the 3 Strikes Ladder of Discipline:

#### Strike 1

The first major incident will result in an official Time-Out counseling session with staff. The child will complete a Time-Out sheet, discuss their actions and what they should have done instead. The results of this meeting will be shared with parents at pick-up.

## Strike 2

If a second major incident occurs, the child will sit on Time-Out with a counselor until a parent is notified and someone is able to come pick them up, removed from playground for the remainder of the day. A 2-day suspension will follow. After the second day, the child may return, on their best behavior!

### Strike 3

If a third incident occurs (any type of disruptive, insubordinate or aggressive behavior), the child will be expelled for the remainder of the program. No refunds given.

Depending on the severity of an incident, a child will be suspended at any time. Weapons, Threats of any kind, Vandalism, Physical Altercations, Bullying, Consistent noncompliance of the rules will result in an Immediate Suspension.

**Contact Information** - Please use the Remind App to communicate directly with Playground Coordinator. The Remind Code will be shared with parents & guardians after registration. Follow East Pennsboro Township Parks & Recreation on Facebook and Instagram for updates regarding the Playground Program. Call or email the Recreation Department for additional information.