

BIRTHDAY PARTY INFORMATION SHEET

Thank you for choosing the Darien YMCA to have your child's birthday party. Below you will find answers to many of the questions you may have prior to your party. If you have additional questions, please contact Suzanne Richards at (203) 655-8228 ext. 1331 for Pool, Gym or Lego parties. Contact Erin Hunter at ext. 1354 for Gymnastics Parties.

POOL PARTIES

- The Party is held in the Community Room. Once the majority of children arrive, the staff will bring them to the locker rooms. They will be in the pool the 1st hour. The 2nd hour is in Community Room. The staff will assist parents with cake, juice, pizza, etc. Then they will run a game or a craft project.
- You will have one staff person with you during the whole 2 hours. This person will not get into the pool.
- There will be one aquatic staff member in the pool running activities. We require one adult per every 5 children under the age of 8 to be in the pool. Parents are responsible for meeting this adult: child ratio.
- The pool is open to Family Swim. There is usually a section blocked off for birthday parties. **Please note:** the lifeguard will do a brief swim test for all children. Bubbles will be placed on non-swimmers. If the party is in the large pool, non-swimmers will be kept in the shallow end with a parent.

GYM PARTIES (not Gymnastics)

- The party is held in Community Room. Once the majority of children arrive, the 2 staff members will bring them to the basketball gym. They will organize age appropriate activities. If your child has a specific game they'd like to play, please let the staff know ahead of time. The staff will assist parents with cake, juice, pizza, etc. Then they will run a game or a craft project.

GYMNASTICS PARTIES

- Gymnastics parties are held in our Gymnastics Center.
- Our drop off Gymnastics Parties are 1 ½ hours and are held on Sundays only.
- The party will spend 1 hr and 10 minutes in the gymnastics center and the final 20 minutes for food and cake will be held in the Community Room.
- There will be 3 – 4 staff members working the gymnastics party and they will run the party from beginning to end.
- All party children must be at least 3 years of age or older.
- The party fee includes 18 children, however you can pay an additional fee for up to 24 children.

LEGO PARTIES

- The party will be held in Community Room. You will have two staff with you the entire time. During the Lego portion of the party, the birthday party staff will run this activity. The Lego portion of the party will be held in one half the Community Room for the 1st hour. The 2nd hour is on the other half of the Community Room. The staff will help you with cake, juice, etc. They will then run a game or art project.

OTHER INFORMATION

- Parents are responsible for bringing decorations & food. Some parents order pizza or just have cake and juice. . Community Room is a Nursery School classroom and has many things on the wall. Decorations can be limited to table clothes, balloons and paper goods. We ask the parents to also assist the staff person in participating in the activity.
- The max. # of children for a Pool, Gym or Legos is 18 for the safety in the pool, gym or Lego party. This does not include guests under 2 (who are accompanied by an adult)

HAVE FUN AND HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!