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PRESS RELEASE

BRIGADE BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OPENS FOR SUMMER CAMP WITH NEW COVID-19 GUIDELINES

Brigade will be operating at six Summer Camp sites throughout New Hanover and Onslow Counties beginning Monday, June 15th, 2020.

WILMINGTON, NC (June 15, 2020) – For many kids, summer camp means taking a break from the world, living away from home, and beating the heat with friends and camp counselors. However, in recent months, children and their families have encountered uncertainty during this pandemic. Thanks to Brigade Boys & Girls Club, many local children will be given the opportunity to have some normalcy return to their lives. With new, strict safety and sanitization guidelines in place, Brigade will be able to resume summer camp sessions in both New Hanover and Onslow Counties.

Brigade will once again host summer camp for New Hanover County kids with increased safety measures and limited capacity at the Montgomery Register Teen Center and the Carl B. Brown Jr. Youth Center. Brigade's summer camp allows rising 1st through 12th graders to engage in games, sports, aquatic fun, crafts, mentorship, and academic enrichment. Due to the early school closures, Brigade intends to combat summer learning loss through BGCA's Summer Brain Gain program and a Summer Reading Program.

New Hanover camps are open for two sessions: June 15th – July 10th and July 13th – August 14th, Monday – Friday, from 7:00 am – 5:00 pm. The cost for each session is only \$100 per child, which includes breakfast and lunch daily. Spaces are still available at all locations. All required registration and payments are available via Brigade's online parent portal at www.brigadebgc.org/parentportal.

Health & Wellness Information:

Brigade will enforce the following procedures to ensure the safety of our Club members and staff:

- Daily Wellness Checks (including temp checks and wellness questionnaire)
- Increase in sanitization and cleaning protocols of our facilities and Club staff and members
- The staff to Club member ratio will be lowered to an average of 1:10
- All Club members must be dropped off between the hours of 7am-9am. No entry will be permitted after 9am. **With the exception of the Teen Center that can be dropped off until 1pm.*
- Front-line staff and food services staff will wear masks; all other staff masks are optional

A more detailed list of Brigade's COVID-19 Health & Safety Guidelines can be found at www.brigadebgc.org/parentresources

For more information regarding Brigade's New Hanover Summer camp Club sites, visit www.brigadebgc.org/summer-camp-2020, or call (910) 392-0747.

We invite you to join us at one of our Clubs sites, this week beginning at 7am as we open for the summer!