



# Ela Township's Shooting Stars

a K-5th grade summer program for residents of Ela Township

**LOCATION:** Community Center (380 Surryse Rd. Lake Zurich)

**Ages:** Kindergarten - 5th grade (based on next school year)

**Days & Times:** Monday - Friday, 10:00 - 3:00

**COST:** \$50 per week per child

## **Registration Begins: Tuesday, April 11th**

Registrations will be processed on a first come first serve basis. Any participants that register for a week that has already been filled will be added to a waiting list and contacted if space becomes available.

Registrations can be **dropped off at the Community Center.**

**Payment MUST ACCOMPANY REGISTRATION!**

**\*\*We are currently accepting cash or check. Please make checks out to 'Ela Township'.\*\***

## **General Information About Shooting Stars**

### **Registration & Attendance:**

Shooting Stars begins on June 19th and runs for 8 weeks ending on August 11th. Participants register by week at a cost of \$50 per week per child. There is no minimum number of weeks required to register and you do not have to register for consecutive weeks. Simply pick and choose the weeks you want your child(ren) to attend.

Registration reserves a spot for your child(ren) every day of that week. Daily attendance is optional and no notification is required for any days your child will be absent. However there are no refunds or pro rated fees for any days your child does not attend the program.

### **Dates:**

Week 1: June 19-23

Week 2: June 26-30

Week 3: July 3-7 (closed July 4th)

Week 4: July 10-14

Week 5: July 17-21

Week 6: July 24-28

Week 7 July 31 - Aug 4

Week 8: August 7-11

### **Daily Activities:**

Every day will start and end at the community center. But not every day will be spent there. At least once a week we will be walking over to KITS sports center to play large group games on their indoor soccer fields. One day a week will be spent at Knox park where we can take advantage of the large open fields to enjoy games and activities we are unable to play at the community center. Every Thursday will be spent at Paulus Park where we will have scheduled swim time and participants can enjoy access to the spray ground.

Regardless of the location, everyday will be packed with different age appropriate games and activities that will be fun for everyone! Whether you can't get enough sports or love doing arts & crafts, you are sure to have a blast this summer in the Shooting Stars program.

### **Weekly Schedules:**

Schedules for each week can be found online at [elatownship.org/youth-programs](http://elatownship.org/youth-programs) starting May 1st. Schedules will include daily activities, locations, field trip details, and any other information participants may need to know for that week. Schedules are subject to change for a variety of reasons, most common of which is weather. While daily activities may change without notification, if any changes are made regarding the location of the day's activities participants will be notified in advance via email.

Please make sure to check the weekly schedules and be aware of any days that involve field trips. Some days we will be scheduled to leave for a field trip as early as 10:15. The Ela Township mini buses that we utilize for transportation to and from certain locations are run on a very strict schedule. We are not able to delay departure from the community center for any reason. Participants that miss the bus can still attend the program if they can arrange their own transportation to that day's field trip location.

**Lunch, Snack, & Water:**

Participants are required to bring their own lunch everyday that does NOT require refrigeration. Participants will be given an afternoon snack everyday around 2:30. We will have water available either from a water fountain inside the community center or water coolers outside that are refilled throughout the day. It is strongly suggested that you send your child with a water bottle everyday that can be refilled as needed. This helps ensure your child is properly hydrated throughout the day as well as reduces waste from plastic or styrofoam cups.

**Sunscreen:**

It is strongly suggested that you put sunscreen on your child before they arrive everyday. While there will be times when we go into the community center for activities or walk over to KITS, a large majority of our time will be spent outside. On days when we are scheduled to be at Paulus Park you may want to send sunscreen with your child so they can reapply throughout the day.

**Thursdays at Paulus Park:**

Every Thursday we will be spending the day at Paulus Park. Drop off and pick up does NOT change. The day will still start and end at the community center. However it is important that participants arrive no later than 10:15 on these days due to a very strict busing schedule. At Paulus Park we will have our own pavilion. Participants will have access to the spray ground as well as scheduled time on the beach to swim. While there are locker rooms available to change, it is strongly suggested that participants wear their swimming suit to the program on Thursdays.

**Staff:**

All Shooting Stars staff have been subject to a background check, are CPR/AED/First Aid Certified, have had prior experience working in child care. In addition every staff member goes through 20+ hours of training aimed at making Shooting Stars the safest and most enjoyable experience possible for everyone. The program is staffed at a child/staff ratio no greater than 8:1.

**More Information:**

If you have any questions about Shooting Stars or would like more information please contact Chris Urry the Youth Program Director at 847-438-9160 or send an email to [youth@elatownship.org](mailto:youth@elatownship.org).

