

CITY OF CONCORD

REPORT TO MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: David Gill, Parks and Recreation Director

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SUBJECT: Swim Lesson Sponsorship Update

The Department is pleased to announce for a third year the Concord Housing + Redevelopment Authority will sponsor our summer "Learn to Swim Program". With this sponsorship each Concord and Penacook child will be able to receive a two week session of swim lessons (8 Classes) for FREE.

Learning to swim is an integral part of a child's safety and development. Swim lessons reduce the risk of drowning, builds whole body strength and swimming is a skill that last a lifetime. Exposing a child to swimming at a young age will provide them with a recreational activity that they can continue to enjoy throughout the rest of their lives!

John Hoyt, the Executive Director of Concord Housing + Redevelopment Authority, added "Providing the children of the Concord/Penacook community the opportunity to participate in swim lessons regardless of their monetary position is a fundamental piece in providing them with a solid skill that will not only help save lives but also provide them a lifetime of fun!"

Pre-registration is required for all swim lessons. Registration will begin on Wednesday, May 10. Concord Parks and Recreation Department offers swim lessons at five of the seven neighborhood pools.

The Department's main summer brochure will be available the first full week of May. For more information of the department's spring activities please visit our web site: www.concordparksandrec.com