Rice Rec Kids Virtual Activity Program FAQs

What type of technology will families need to access the virtual camp platform. Will a smartphone, tablet, PC, Mac, Chromebook work?

All classes will be live streamed on Zoom. Any device that can support this platform will suffice.

Will child(ren) need headphones, webcam or microphone?

Children will need to stream sessions on a device that includes a microphone and camera.

Do child(ren) need to use a keyboard and/or mouse OR can they watch the screen and follow along without ever having to use additional components?

Besides a screen that includes video and audio, no additional computer components are required.

Will child(ren) participate in any activities that could potentially damage a computer or its components (painting, water etc.)?

If your child is enrolled in Challenge Accepted, there are some activities that include material that, if spilled, could potentially damage a computer. Setting up a large work station, and raising the computer above it is recommended for any child enrolled in this class.

Will child(ren) need any household items or supplies to participate in the camp?

A few of the classes do require some specialized supplies or equipment. Below are the lists for each:

Total Athletic Conditioning – Household supplies will serve as a stand in for the equipment needed for this class. All of the necessary items will be standard household supplies (e.g. canned goods). Families enrolled in this option will receive an email with details regarding the supply list prior to the start of class.

Dance Fever – One of the dances that children will be learning features a scarf, so it is recommended that on that day, your child be provided with a scarf, handkerchief or cloth napkin.

Challenge Accepted - All supplies needed for CA will be supplied by the our team, and can be picked up from the Gibbs Recreation Center on the Friday before each session. Families enrolled in this option will receive an email with details regarding time and location of supply pick up.
Cosmic Kids - As this is primarily a yoga class, your child will need access to a yoga mat. Towels are acceptable, but not recommended as they tend to slip and slide on hard surfaces.

What kind of space will my child need in order to participate?

In general, children will need ample space to move around freely without concern for knocking over or stumbling on an object. Participants in Challenge Accepted will need access to a desk and chair.

Please note that some of these classes do include music, so finding a space in your home where your child can turn up the volume without being disruptive to other family members is advised.

Will parents have to be involved, helping child(ren) log on or prepare materials, before the classes begin each day?

Depending on the age and ability of your child(ren), parents may need to help with setting up an activity space and the log in process.

Will parents have to be present and actively involved during the class?

While parents are welcome to join in on the fun, each class will be closely monitored by the instructors through the Zoom platform to help ensure safety and participation. There are obvious limitations with a virtual format, and it is suggested that at least one parent is at home in case of injury or accident. While we will do our best from afar, we will contact you via text or phone if one of the following things occur.

1. A child is disconnected from the virtual camp or simply decides to walk away from the screen for a long duration of time.

2. A child consistently misbehaves, becomes upset or is disruptive. Small outbursts that can be managed by the class instructors will be dealt with without parental involvement.

3. A child falls down and becomes injured in any way during the session. If we are unable to reach a parent, we will call the emergency contact listed on your registration form.