

# Welcome to Jump Start 2021!



**Jump Start** is a fun and exciting way for children ages 4&5 to be introduced to all kinds of sports games, skills, and activities. Children will be exposed to sports such as t-ball, basketball, soccer, and unique sports like noodle hockey, bowling, and much more! There is also opportunity for participants to meet new friends from other schools. Jump Start is looking to provide a safe environment for kids to have fun and learn new sports skills that are the basis for mastering any sport.

## **Check In & Check Out Policy:**

All participants must be registered to join us in the Jump Start program. Please confirm registration with the staff upon arrival. The Jump Start program begins at 9 AM. Please do not drop off your child before this time as there will be no staff supervision. When dropping off your child, please be sure to check in with a staff member **at the cafeteria door of Francis Wyman Elementary School**. If

you are looking at the school from the road, the door will be located on the left side of the school, near the fenced in area.

The Jump Start program ends at 1 PM. When picking up your child, we ask that you come to the door and wait until your child's name is called before leaving with them. This will ensure that each child is dismissed in a smooth and efficient manner. Lastly, please let a staff member know in advance in writing if someone other than you will be picking up your child. Thank you in advance for your cooperation!

### Weekly Schedule:

- **Tuesdays & Thursdays** - Water days
  - Wear or bring a bathing suit, sneakers or water shoes
  - Bring sandals and a towel

### Reminders:

- Please be sure to send your child with **plenty of water**, a **nut-free snack**, **AND a peanut free lunch everyday**. It gets hot inside the gym and we want all children to stay hydrated! Please help ensure the safety of all children by making sure all snacks and lunches are nut-free. The peanut free policy is strictly enforced.
- Your child must wear sneakers everyday, as we play sports and activities that involve lots of running. Children in non- appropriate shoes may be asked to sit out of particular games to ensure their safety.
- We may perform activities outside. **Please make sure your child is wearing sunscreen before he or she arrives at the program. It is also a great idea to pack extra sunscreen in your child's bag/lunchbox.**

### About the Staff:

Hello, my name is Allison Murphy, and I am the director of the Jump Start program this summer. I recently just graduated from Merrimack College with my masters degree in Moderate Disabilities. I graduated from Westfield State University last year with my undergraduate degree in Early Childhood Education. This year I have been working at an elementary school in Ayer working in a kindergarten classroom as a special education teacher as a part of my fellowship. This will be my fourth year back at Jump Start but, my first year as director. I am

excited to bring new, fun, and exciting games to the program. Do not hesitate to talk to me because it is in my best interest to hear feedback so I can improve the program. I am looking for feedback because I want the kids to have a great experience, feel safe playing, and enjoy coming every day! Joining me this summer as sports leaders are Heidi \_\_\_\_\_ and Carter Egan.

**We are looking forward to a fun and exciting summer here at Jump  
Start!**