

Free Kids Summer Activities in Pelham Part of the Healthy Kids Community Challenge Niagara

The Town of Pelham is eager to help kids run, jump, and play every day this summer by offering free activities for youth and families in partnership with the [Healthy Kids Community Challenge Niagara](#).

“We appreciate the Province’s funding to bring the Healthy Kids Community Challenge to Niagara,” said Mayor Dave Augustyn. “We will use our award-winning parks to encourage Pelham’s youth to become champions of physical literacy.”

Launch Day – Join us!

Community members are invited to Pelham’s Healthy Kids Community Challenge Launch Day on [Saturday, June 4, 2016](#) at Marlene Stewart Streit Park in Fonthill from 9:00 am until 1:00 pm to learn more about our free summer programs.

Free Summer Skatepark Lessons

Youth ages 6-12 are welcome to enjoy free skatepark lessons this summer at Pelham’s Isaac Riehl Memorial Skatepark in Marlene Stewart Streit Park (55 Park Lane, Fonthill). Lessons will kick off on Saturday, June 11th and run 10:00 am to noon every Saturday until August 25th, except for Saturday, July 16th during Pelham Summerfest and the Regional Swim Meet. Starting in July, lessons will also run on Tuesdays (July 5 – August 23) and Thursdays (July 7 – August 25), in addition to the Saturdays.

Skilled male and female instructors will help participants learn new skills and will implement a skatepark ambassador program to promote skatepark rules to sustain a safe environment for youth on a daily basis. To further encourage youth to safely participate in these recreation activities, the Town of Pelham has implemented a helmet credit program. Eligible helmet receipts can be traded in for \$25.00 worth of [Pelham Bucks](#) redeemable at local businesses.

Free Play in the Park

Similar to the pop-up playground concept, Pelham will bring a playground program to Centennial Park (999 Church Street, Fenwick) this summer. The instructor-led playground program will run Fridays from 9:30 – 11:30 am, starting July 8th until August 26th. Families are encouraged to drop-in to learn all types of activities that can be done in the park.

Free Public Transit

Best of all, youth and families can apply for a free summer [Pelham Transit](#) Pass to enable safe and efficient travel to these free summer activities.

For full program details, visit pelham.ca/healthy-kids.

About the Healthy Kids Community Challenge

The Healthy Kids Community Challenge is a key component in the Ontario Government’s Healthy Kids Strategy. The first theme of the Health Kids Community Challenge is *Run. Jump. Play. Every Day*. This theme encourages physical activity through a mix of active play, active transportation, sports and structured physical activity. Niagara, in partnership with its 12 municipalities, was awarded a total of \$1.125 million to join The Challenge.

For more information on Pelham’s programs, please contact:

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For more information on The Healthy Kids Community Challenge Niagara, please contact:

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Launch Day • **Saturday June 4th** • 9AM - 1PM

LEARN ABOUT OUR FREE SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Join us at Marlene Stewart Streit Park, 55 Park Lane, Fonthill

Free Skateboard Demonstrations ○ Live Music ○ Food and Refreshments ○ Giveaways

FREE SUMMER SKATEPARK LESSONS

Marlene Stewart Streit Park • 10AM – 12PM • Ages: 6 – 12 • Beginner & Intermediate

SATURDAYS: June 11 – August 27

(No Session Saturday, July 16)

TUESDAYS: July 5 – August 23

female instructor on site

THURSDAYS: July 7 – August 25

Helmets, elbow & knee pads required to participate



FREE PLAY IN THE PARK FRIDAYS

Centennial Park • FRIDAYS • 9:30AM – 11:30AM

July 8 – August 26 • 999 Church Street, Fenwick



Join our instructors for a morning of free, fun, family activities at Centennial Park!

Apply for our
Summer Family
Transit Pass

Become a
Skatepark
Ambassador

Apply for a
Helmet
Credit

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OR call 905-892-2607 ext. 329