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Dear Parents,

Exciting changes have occurred at SPROG since the 2008 Summer Program. Mrs. Antona Smith has accepted the position of Program Director, in charge of the daily operations of the summer program. Mr. Donald Smith (no relationship) will be a Supervisor, assisting the Counselors. And I (Karen Mosley) have become the Executive Director.

We have been preparing for the summer program that will have some interesting changes. The summer program will run **June 15<sup>th</sup> to July 31, 2009, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

Enclosed is one registration form. Please feel free to make copies if you have more than one child. It is also available on the website. We encourage you to take advantage of the early registration deadline of May 15, 2009. (No checks will be accepted after that date.) Please note the Parent Meeting Night is not a designated registration night so we encourage you to register early. **June 1, 2009** is the deadline for registration in order for us to provide you with the bus schedule and other important information at the parent meeting. You can mail your registration forms or bring them to the SPROG Office at one of the following Registration times:

Monday, April 6 <sup>th</sup>	5:30 to 7:00 p.m.
Monday, April 13 <sup>th</sup>	5:30 to 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, April 14 <sup>th</sup>	5:30 to 7:00 p.m.
Monday, April 20 <sup>th</sup>	5:30 to 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, April 21 <sup>st</sup>	5:30 to 7:00 p.m.
Saturday, May 2 <sup>nd</sup>	9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
Tuesday, May 5 <sup>th</sup>	5:30 to 7:00 p.m.
Monday, May 11 <sup>th</sup>	5:30 to 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, May 12 <sup>th</sup>	5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

Please plan to attend the mandatory parent meeting to be held Tuesday, **June 9, 2009, 6:30 p.m.** You will have a chance to meet all of us as well as most of the counselors and teachers who will be working with your children. There will be an attendance prize drawing for a \$50 Schnucks Gift Certificate.

A lot of important information will be shared at the Parent Meeting. We ask that you do not bring your children to this meeting. If this poses a problem, please let Mrs. Smith or Mrs. Mosley know as soon as possible so we can make other arrangements.

If you are a returning parent, you will notice some differences this year. These will be discussed in detail at the meeting. Some of these changes are a greater emphasis on building academic skills in preparation for the new school year.

Your child will be involved in many educational and recreational activities. As a part of their summer learning, they will go on several field trips. Many of these have an entrance fee. We require that every parent contribute \$10 per child toward the cost of these adventures. You can pay this with your registration or bring it to the Parent Meeting. If this poses a financial hardship to you, please see Mrs. Smith or Mrs. Mosley on June 9, 2009.

Some of the places we will visit (such as the St. Louis Zoo) have souvenir shops. If you would like for your child to have additional spending money, please send it on the day of that trip and send no more than \$10 per child. We ask that any spending money for the 5 to 8 year olds be sent in a sealed envelope with their name and amount clearly marked. The counselors, director, and supervisor will be responsible for the younger children. Any money sent with the 9 to 15 year olds will be their personal responsibility.

We are also engaging in many fundraising activities this year to offset the cost of the program. If you have an employer that has matching funds, please consider including SPROG, Inc. in your charitable giving. We are also asking every family to donate two hours of their time to SPROG this summer. That time can be by working at the SPROG's "BUY A DOG FOR SPROG BOOTH" during the Meacham Park Homecoming, attending one of the field trips, or volunteering at the summer program. In lieu of volunteer time (particularly if you work during SPROG operating hours) we are asking those parents to donate \$15 to SPROG. A volunteer form is attached and should be returned with your registration. All donations are tax deductible.

If you have any questions, feel free to call SPROG at 314-821-3477 or email us: [SPROG.Karen@gmail.com](mailto:SPROG.Karen@gmail.com) or [SPROG.Antona@gmail.com](mailto:SPROG.Antona@gmail.com).

With Love and Concern,

Karen D. Mosley, Executive Director  
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