

A free week-long summer camp for Maine 5th & 6th graders!

## **30 years of bringing kids together with First Responders**

# Camp POSTCARD (Police Officers Striving To Create And Reinforce Dreams)

## June 13 - 20, 2025 / Camp Mechuwana - Winthrop, Maine

Each June over 100 children from all 16 Maine counties join forces with over 80 volunteer first responders for a week of exploration, healthy activities, outdoor recreation, and education. Campers adjust to new places and people – all while being mentored and cared for by officers of Maine law enforcement and public safety organizations.

First responders, current and retired, from all 16 counties in Maine spend the week 24/7 at Camp POSTCARD; many have been Camp POSTCARD leaders 10, 20, and even 30 years! Their goal is to give children an experience that will enrich their lives and give them hope for the future. During this week, campers experience officers as caring and fun-loving people primarily concerned with the well-being of children.

Camp POSTCARD gives children a new perspective on what's possible for them to achieve; the adults who are providing these many experiences and cheering them on are officers and many other caring adults. Camp POSTCARD gives children a boost to their confidence; they broaden their horizons and have the world open up to them in ways they could not imagine.

Seeking Volunteers: Qualified officers and first responders are invited to become volunteer leaders at Camp POSTCARD. FMI: info@voanne.org or visit www.voanne.org/camp-postcard • 14 Maine Street, Suite 100 Brunswick, Maine 04011

#### What do kids do at Camp POSTCARD?

In addition to swimming, fishing, kayaking, and arts and crafts new programming is added each year to enrich the campers' experience such as:

Carnival Day - campers get to have fun with various bounce houses, inflatable obstacle courses, and carnival treats!

Book Fair - campers can visit the book fair and pick books to read and bring home.















How are campers referred to Camp POSTCARD?

Law enforcement officers, school resource officers, school personnel and community members identify and recommend children who would benefit from the camp experience.

#### Do you have to pay to go to Camp POSTCARD?

Thanks to community support, there is no charge for any child to attend. Camp is free for all campers. For many kids, it represents their first camp experience and is a dream come true.



#### How is Camp POSTCARD funded? Camp POSTCARD is possible because of YOU and your support!

Corporate sponsors, foundation grants, volunteers from law enforcement agencies throughout Maine and numerous in-kind donations also make Camp happen! For over 25 years Maine's communities have come together to give local kids a chance to experience a summer camp adventure!

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