

THE PARK AUTHORITY GETS A NEW CAMP DIRECTOR



Emilie Shumate has been promoted to the Youth Services Manager with the Park Authority. This position manages children’s programs, preschools and summer camps for the agency.

Shumate started with the Park Authority in 1998 as an attendant at the front desk at the Audrey Moore Rec Center when she was in high school and throughout college. After graduating from college, Emilie assumed a full-time position in 2004 as a recreation assistant at Mount Vernon Rec Center where she planned programs and services. She was promoted in 2007 to the ice park/recreation specialist II where she managed programs, services and special events. At that time, Shumate also served on the agency’s customer service team for summer camp, Rec Pac, and front-line staff. Most recently she worked in Golf and the Business Analytics section.

Emilie remarked about her new role “This position manages children’s programs, preschools and summer camps for the agency, bringing my career full circle to where I began at Mt. Vernon Rec Center. I met my husband while managing the summer camp program early in my career, and we even named our son after a camper we thought was just the coolest kid”.

In her new role, Emilie is excited to help children enjoy the programs that FCPA staff work so hard to plan and execute.

When asked about working at the Park Authority, Shumate remarked “A career in parks allows so many different opportunities, a chance to explore your passions and a connection to a family of other professionals who are also passionate about providing excellent services for our community. I hope to see you and your family in the parks!”

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