

Heads-up Educators as we “Head-on” into the Months of Summer

Did You Know? According to a Centers for Disease Control and Prevention 2011 report)

In 2009, Emergency Rooms in the United States treated children under 14 for:

- 26,212 Bicycling related brain injuries¹
- 9,340 Skateboard/Scooter related brain injuries¹
- 10,582 Powered Recreational Vehicle related brain injuries¹
- 4,557 Swimming related brain injuries¹

What can we do as Educators?

- Remind Children that bike/skateboard/scooter/ ATV safety starts with helmets properly worn.
- Remind Families that helmets need to meet Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) safety standards.
- Teach children to know the depth of the water prior to diving
- After the summer break, listen carefully to children’s summer stories and watch for changes in students resulting from a fall.
- Know whom to go to if a child’s academic progress or behavior changes.

To find ideas, suggestions, and activities for brain injury prevention click [here](#).

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¹ http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm6039a1.htm?s_cid=mm6039a1_w

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