

Taking the Chesapeake Challenge



Chesapeake Challenge offers family entertainment

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The Chesapeake Challenge Amusement Park on the corner of Springfield Street and Susquehanna Avenue provides a variety of games for military and civilian families.

Families can practice hitting 12 balls at a time in the batting cage for fifty cents a round.

"The batting cages are really cool," said Jacob Watts, 13, a Child and Youth Services Program participant.

Visitors can putt the golf ball through 18 holes on the Miniature Golf Course for \$3 a round, play arcade games for spare change, or race around the go-cart tracks in five-minute rounds for \$4.

"The 'go-karts' are the best part of the park," commented Kevin Irby, 19, son of Garrison Command Sgt. Maj. Elvis Irby, who has worked at Chesapeake Challenge for the past two summers.

"The snacks are cheap too," said William Stone, 14, another CYS program participant.

One adult had an idea on another attraction that could be added to the park in the future.

"They could put a skateboard ramp out for the kids," said Diane Rose, Child and Youth Services assistant. "We have about four or five skateboarders in our group."

The park's summer hours through the end of August are 5 to 9 p.m., Monday through Thursday; 5 to 10 p.m., Friday; 1 to 10 p.m., Saturday; and 1 to 8 p.m., Sunday.

The September hours are as follows: 5 to 10 p.m., Friday; 1 to 10 p.m., Saturday; and 1 to 8 p.m., Sunday.

Wayne Doyel, outdoor recreation specialist, commented that his favorite part of Chesapeake Challenge is "watching the kids be entertained."

Back to School special at Chesapeake Challenge

Chesapeake Challenge Amusement Park is offering \$1 off all go-cart rides through Sept. 6.
For more information, call 410-278-4124.



What is your favorite activity at Chesapeake Challenge and would you change anything?

Sam Spangler, 9

"I do almost anything with wheels. It would be cool if they had a bigger track."

Brandon Hilliard, 9

"I'd like to see a bigger track or laser tag too."

Santita McNear, 11

"My favorite part is the go-carts, but I'd like to see more basketball too."

Zachary Callahan, 9

"The go-carts are my favorite part."

