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## **‘Kids’ Summer Beach Runs’ returns to Siesta and Venice**

School is out for summer! Parents looking for activities for the kids have an ally in Sarasota County Parks and Recreation’s “Kids’ Summer Beach Runs.” The beach runs are the perfect way to let kids work off that summer vacation energy. The runs are offered every week June 3 – Aug. 13 at the following locations: Siesta Beach, 948 Beach Rd., Siesta Key and Venice Pier, 1600 Harbor Dr., Venice.

Registration at each location begins at 5:30 p.m. and the 1-mile beach runs start promptly at 6:30 p.m. The Siesta Beach Runs are held every Tuesday and the Venice Beach Runs are held every Wednesday. A one-time registration fee of \$1 lets kids compete in as many of the beach runs as they like.

Kids who complete four runs, receive a free T-shirt. The runs can be completed all at one location or mix it up and visit both beaches. All runners win a ribbon and a free ice-pop each time they run! The “Kids’ Summer Beach Runs” are a great way to get some exercise and have tons of fun at the same time. The “Kids’ Summer Beach Runs” are sponsored in part by New Balance Sarasota.

For more information, contact the Sarasota County Call Center at 941-861-5000 and ask about the “Kids’ Summer Beach Runs” or visit [www.parksonline.scgov.net](http://www.parksonline.scgov.net).