The City of Saratoga Springs’ Accounts Department is excited to offer entrepreneurial opportunities to the youth of our community! Here are some rules that you will need to remember as you join us once again for a wonderful summer season.

The City provides an exemption for minors who sell bottled water and/or “lucky pencils” during the 2023 Saratoga Thoroughbred Racing Meet. These are the locations specific to this exemption in the areas adjacent to the Saratoga Race Track in the green space between the NYRA fence and its sidewalks:

a. The east side of Frank Sullivan Place for a distance of 550 feet south of its intersection with Lincoln Avenue.

b. The north side of Lincoln Avenue for a distance of 250 feet west of its intersection with Frank Sullivan Place.

c. The east side of Nelson Avenue between Wright Street and Gridley Street, with the exception of fifty (50) feet from the intersection of Nelson Avenue and Wright Street where no vending will be allowed.

In order to provide the safest environment for minors who will be vending during the racing season the following guidelines are required:

1. Minors can only occupy nine (9) square feet of space.
2. All merchandise and equipment must be removed daily.
3. Space in permitted areas are available on a first come first serve basis.
4. Minors may sell between the hours of 7:00 A.M. – 7:00 P.M. each day.

You need to register to sell! Parents or guardians must register by filling an application with the Department of Accounts along with the required documents.

1. Parent or guardian’s permission to engage in vending pursuant to this exemption.
2. The minor’s proof of age.
3. Parent or guardian’s intent to relieve and hold harmless the City from liability and all causes of action for all injuries and claims of any kind arising out of the vending activity.
4. Parents or guardians must assume responsibility for the minor’s vending activity, and MUST BE PRESENT WITH ANY MINOR UNDER THE AGE OF 14 AT ALL TIMES.
5. Minors of the age 14 and older must provide working papers that must be submitted with the initial application.

The City looks forward to supporting your entrepreneurial spirit! So...let’s get you registered! The City will issue an ID badge that the minor must wear at all times.