§ 4502. Establishment of camps by city school districts and appropriations authorized. 1. A city school district, acting through its board of education, is hereby authorized to establish camps on land provided therefor in parks adjacent to such city school district under the jurisdiction and control of the state office of parks and recreation or department of environmental conservation, or elsewhere. Such camps shall be used to furnish instruction, recreation and maintenance to children of school age. The board of education shall provide opportunity for children to receive instruction in such subjects as it may deem proper. Such board shall prescribe the activities to be carried on and shall set up rules and regulations for admission to such camps and the conduct and discipline thereof. Such camps shall be operated between July first and August thirty-first of each year and at such other times as such board of education may prescribe. No child shall be entitled to free instruction and maintenance in any such camp for a period in excess of two weeks during any one year, unless the board of education prescribe and direct that physically handicapped or other children be maintained for a longer period.

2. The board of education of a city school district may establish a camp for children to be located in state parks on Long Island, which have been or shall be selected by the state office of parks and recreation on account of accessibility and availability, as a model camp for the establishment of future camps.

3. The board of education of a city school district is hereby authorized to appropriate such sums as may be necessary for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this article.