

WELCOME TO CAMP

Welcome to the YMCA of Gloucester County's Summer Day Camp! We are extremely proud of our Summer Camp programming and the opportunities it offers your child for adventure and social growth. Our goal is to create a fun environment and instill core values that help children flourish physically, mentally and spiritually so that they may achieve their greatest potential. Get your child active and involved during summer in our enriching, safe and exciting summer camp activities that are designed around creative weekly themes.

CARING, WELL TRAINED STAFF

We believe that our staff is our greatest resource. Each of our staff undergoes an interview process with the leadership team and Senior Manager, reference checks, and a complete background/criminal history check.

Our Unit Directors have several years of experience working in the fields of education and child development. Our counselors are at least 18 years or older with prior experience working with children. Some of our staff have been former campers and have worked their way up from CIT to Counselor and up to the Leadership Team.

All staff must participate in at least 28 hours of camp training along with being certified in First Aid and CPR training.

Summer Camp Dates

Monday, June 17th–Friday, August 30th

Summer Camp Hours

Monday–Friday
9:00am–4:00pm

Camp activities begin promptly. All campers must be present by 9:00am. Campers being signed out after 4:00 pm will incur a late fee.

Extended Day Camp Care

Before Care: 7:00am– 9:00am
After Care: 4:00pm– 6:00pm

Parents are welcome to register their children in our Extended Day Camp Care. Extended day gives parents the option of extra care before and after the regular camp hours for additional fees. We provide a variety of self-directed games and sports for both indoor or outdoor setting. Campers being signed out after 6:00pm will incur a late fee.

Lunches

The YMCA of Gloucester County partnered with the Food Bank of South Jersey. Free lunches will be provided each day through the Summer Food Service Program (S.F.S.P.). You do have the option to pack your camper's lunch or purchase a lunch on Fridays. Please plan accordingly when preparing your camper's lunch, we do not have refrigeration or microwave.



Online Promo Code: **19EARLYBIRD** and get 3% discount between 4/1–4/30.

Financial Assistance

Assistance must first be applied for through Rutgers– Southern Regional Child Care Resources and Referral (856-537-2322) If denied through Rutgers, Financial Assistance may be available to those who are in need through our Scholarship Program. Assistance is awarded based on the need demonstrated by household income and/or extenuating circumstances and the funds available.

Multi-Child Family Discount

We offer a \$10 weekly discount for siblings, living in the same household, per registered camp week. Families with more than three children will be evaluated on an individual basis. To receive this discount, family members must be registered for the same week and days. **Discount applies to 2nd child only.*

All Inclusive Camp

The YMCA of Gloucester County encourages and supports the inclusion of individuals with disabilities in all programs and services. Inclusion within our Summer Camp program means that individuals with disabilities are welcome to participate in the same camps as their non-disabled peers. Some minimum eligibility requirements (age, level of participation) must be met in order to participate. Contact our Senior Manager Youth Development for more information.

Contact Information

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CAMP THEME WEEK

Week 1 (June 17th- June 21st) Summer Camp Kick Off!

Subject to change.

Let's start the summer off right! See why the YMCA of Gloucester County is the best place to be for the summer. We will kick off the summer with a party!

Fun Friday – Wear your wackiest socks

Week 2 (June 24th – June 28th) Campers to the Rescue!

Unlock your super powers during this adventure-filled week. Discover the hero in you through challenges, adventures, and good deeds. Grab your mask and capes as we launch ourselves into fun and games! Fun Friday – Wear a cape or favorite shirt of a super hero/ movie character (No camp on July 4th)

Week 3 (July 1st- July 5th) Trading Places

Ever dream of being a Camp Counselor or even a Camp Director? This week will give some Campers the opportunity to be Counselors and some Counselors to be Campers. Join us for a week of opposites – where maybe your dreams could come true. Fun Friday – Backwards Day

Week 4 (July 8th- July 12th) Celebrations of Nations

Grab your passports we are traveling the world! As we explore the world we will learn about different cultures, activities, and traditions from several countries. We will end the week with a food tasting from different parts of the world. Fun Friday – Twin Day (Pick a friend and dress the same)

Week 5 (July 15th- July 19th) Spirit Week

An All – Camp competition that will reveal the ultimate YMCA- spirited campers. Red, Blue, Yellow, and Green...Let the color wars begin!! Fun Friday – wear your designated team color. Field Trip – Thursday July 18th Phillies Game

Week 6 (July 22nd – July 26th) YMCA Steps into the Spotlight

The Rookies took the title last summer with their rendition of the Academy Awards. What talent can you bring to top 2018's amazing performance? Can't wait to see you Step into the spotlight with your group's talent! Fun Friday- wear your coolest shades.

Week 7 (July 29th- August 2nd) Splaaaaash Week!

Water games, water games, and more water games! What other way to beat the heat than with...you guessed it – WATER! Soaking wet games from water balloons, water slide relay races and more! A perfect way to cool off. Fun Friday – wear your most colorful swim-wear.

Week 8 (August 5th – August 9th) Full Steam Ahead!

Interested in Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math? This week of awesome activities involves introducing campers to a unique variety of STEAM projects, games and challenges. Activities to stimulate the mind and spark curiosity will vary but promise to encourage engagement and the imagination of every camper! Fun Friday – Wear your favorite shirt from your school, a high school, or college. Field Trip – Thursday August 8th COCO Keys

Week 9 (August 12th – August 16th) Outdoor Explorers

Become one with nature this week as we learn all about navigating the wilderness and identifying everything that's around us. From bugs to trees to natural formations, learn about what makes being outside the best!

Fun Friday – Wear your favorite hat

Week 10 (August 19th-August 23rd) Camp Rewind

Did you love all of the games from Spirit Week? Did you want to bring back some water activities from Splaaaaash week? Then you're in luck! Spend the last week of camp revisiting all of our favorite activities and games as we put the entire summer on rewind. Field Trip – Friday August 23rd The FunPlex

Week 11 (August 26th- August 30th) End of the year Dance Party

What's a better way to celebrate the end of a great summer than having a dance party, YMCA style! Campers will get the chance to show their best dance moves, or even challenge another camper or counselor to a dance off. Fun Friday – Wacky hair day

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WHY should your Kid go to Y CAMP??

ADVENTURES

The YMCA has new adventure for everyone.



RELATIONSHIPS

Amidst the fun of games and swimming, friendships form.



BELONGING

Campers connect through camp traditions and rituals.



ACHIEVEMENTS

earn new responsibilities and overcome challenges.



SUMMER CAMP ENRICHMENTS

HEPA

With more than 9 million children participating in our out-of-school time programs, the Y has a responsibility to our families and communities to address health concerns among children. In 2011 Healthy Eating and Physical Activity standards were adopted by Y-USA to educate our youth about healthy living through modeling healthy behaviors and by cultivating environments to make healthy choices the easy choices. The YMCA of Gloucester County is committed to supporting healthy living in our community through enforcing HEPA standards in our after-school programs

and our day camp. We follow HEPA by providing water and fruit at each snack and meal, decreasing screen time while the children are in our programs, and ensuring that each child is physically active through our non-elimination games. By implementing HEPA standards, we're providing the foundation for a healthier future by supporting kids, staff, and families. The YMCA of Gloucester County will be including more healthy eating models and physically active games in our 2019 summer camp. Our children will have the opportunity to learn about how good nutrition starts in the ground- with our youth gardening program.

The Food Bank of South Jersey will be supplying free lunch and snacks to our camp through the Summer Food Service Program (S.F.S.P.), which follow the HEPA standards for healthy eating.

Safety Around Water

Our Safety Around Water Program teaches Campers of all ages and from all backgrounds that water should be fun, not feared. The program is designed to teach Campers water safety and self-rescue skills in the pool and on dry-land. Campers will be mastering their skills and building their confidence 3 days per week in our pool with our certified swim instructors.

CAMPS NAMES/AGES



Rookies—>> Ages 4-5

Camp Rookies is designed with a great combination of hands-on learning and fun in mind. Arts and crafts, songs, and games are centered on weekly themes to engage curious campers. Keeping them busy with endless excitement and fun is our mission!



Pioneers: —>> Ages 6-7

Camp Pioneers focuses on summer day camp experience for children in grade 1-2. Campers learn how to create new friendships and explore the natural world around them. Camp activities like art, music, nature exploration, swimming and sports and designed to build confidence, new skills and untapped talent.



Explorers—>> Ages 8-9

Camp Explorers is designed to help campers become more self-reliant and explore unfamiliar areas and new interests. Through age appropriate activities like nature explorations, creative crafts and camper's choice; campers will enjoy exploring countless possibilities, excitement and fun!



Pathfinders—>> Ages 10-11

Camp Pathfinders is the perfect way for pre-teens to spend the summer. This camp was created to instill that 'go getters' attitude and leadership skills through action packed activities like sports, swimming and games.



Trailblazers—>> Ages 12-14

Camp Trailblazers is designed to provide a quality day camp experience for teens. The camp activities are designed to keep the interest and creative energy for this age group. Traditional day camp activities including sports, games, crafts, swimming and socializing are part of this camp while reinforcing the YMCA character values. Camper will have projects and participate in various leadership roles in camp.

OPEN HOUSE

Saturday, April 27 @ 11:00am-1:00pm
(During Healthy Kid's Day)



REGISTRATION, DATES, RATES AND FEES

2019 Registration Dates, Rate Plans and Fees

RATE PLAN	FULL MEMBER	BASIC MEMBER
Camp 5 Day	198.00	229.00
Camp w/Extended Day: 5 Days	258.00	288.00
Camp 3 Days	166.00	197.00
Camp w/Extended Day: 3 Days	200.00	232.00

- Registration begins 4/1/2019
- A \$25 non-refundable deposit per child, for each week, is required at the time of registration.
- Camp Registration Fee (1x non-refundable fee per Camper):\$25.00
- YMCA Membership Required
- Early Bird Discount (4/1/2019 – 4/30/19): 3% discount off weekly rate plan



Code of Conduct

The following is our Camper Code of Conduct. At the beginning of each week, each group will discuss what the Camper Code of Conduct is and the consequences for not following it. This will ensure an easier transition to our camp program and a better understanding of our camper expectations. This Code of Conduct is also located in the Parent Pack that you will receive via email/mail. Please review this policy with your child.

- 1) I have the right to be safe at camp. This means that no one will: hit me, kick me, push me, pinch me, or hurt me.
- 2) I have the right to be happy and to be treated with respect. This means that no one will: laugh at me, hurt my feelings, or use unkind language toward me.
- 3) I have a right to expect that my personal belongings will be respected. This means that no one will: take, damage, or destroy the property of others or that of the YMCA.
- 4) I have a right to have fun. This means that I will participate, cooperate, and enjoy the various activities throughout the camp day.
- 5) The *Camp Staff has the right to give directions and expect that they will be followed. This means that I will be responsible, respectful, and cooperative in our camp. This means I will show my best behavior.

* Camp Staff includes all employees working for the YMCA (Group Leaders, Unit Directors, etc.)

SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION FORM 2019

Please Print Clearly.
Fill one form per child

CAMPER'S FULL NAME: _____ Female _____ Male _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone _____ Age _____ D.O.B _____ Grade entering Sept. 2019 _____

Mother's Name _____ Employer _____

Work Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email _____

Father's Name _____ Employer _____

Work Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email _____

Please check off the camp week(s) for which you are registering. Camp fees are non-refundable after the balance is due for a camp week. Camp fees must be paid as listed in the published pay schedule or will be subject to a \$30 late fee. Make checks payable to YMCA of Gloucester County. Visa, MasterCard, Discover Card and Amex are accepted. DO NOT MAIL IN CHECKS.

AGE GROUP:

- Rookie: Age 4-5 Pioneer: Age 6-7 Explorers: Age 8-9 Pathfinders Age 10-11 Trailblazers Age 12-14

CAMP WEEKS	Week 1 6/17-6/21	Week 2 6/24-6/28	Week 3 7/1-7/5	Week 4 7/8-7/12	Week 5 7/15-7/19	Week 6 7/22-7/26	Week 7 7/29-8/2	Week 8 8/5-8/9	Week 9 8/12-8/16	Week 10 8/19-8/23	Week 11 8/26-8/30
Camp - 5 Days Please choose your weeks.											
Camp w/ Extended Day- 5 Days											
Due Dates	6/3	6/10	6/17	6/24	7/1	7/8	7/15	7/22	7/29	8/5	8/12
PLEASE CHOOSE 3 DAYS.	MTWRF	MTWRF	MTWRF	MTWRF	MTWRF	MTWRF	MTWRF	MTWRF	MTWRF	MTWRF	MTWRF
Camp - 3 Days Please choose your weeks.											
Camp w/ Extended Day- 3 Days											
Due Date	6/3	6/10	6/17	6/24	7/1	7/8	7/15	7/22	7/29	8/5	8/12

CAMPER'S NAME: _____

MEDICAL HISTORY/ EMERGENCY FORM



MEDICAL HISTORY

Important: Immunization records are required. Please have this information available, our Administration Manager will request it. Children are not permitted to attend camp without current immunization records. This applies to every camper, regardless of prior experience at the YMCA of Gloucester County. All medical and/or religious exceptions for each camper must be provided and kept on file with the YMCA of Gloucester County.

Has your child been diagnosed or treated for the following, please circle:

Asthma, Allergies to Insect Stings, Allergy to Poison Ivy, Seizures, Spectrum Disorder, ADD/ADHD

Other: _____

Special Dietary Needs; please specify _____

Please provide details for any of the above circled allergies: _____

Any additional information that may be helpful to us: _____

Please list current medications, prescribed or over the counter your child is currently taking: _____

PARENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

1. The above child has been given a routine medical examination and has been found to be free of infections or contagious diseases and is up to date with all immunizations.
2. Any conditions which might affect this child's performance at camp or any conditions of which the staff should be aware (special needs, medical treatment, special requirements as to diets, allergies, avoidance of certain activities, and other care) are listed above.
3. I give consent to have my child receive first aid by the camp staff, and, if necessary, be transported to receive emergency care. I authorize representatives from the YMCA of Gloucester County to give consent for any and all necessary emergency medicine care for my child and I understand that I will be responsible for all charges not covered by insurance. On going attempts will be made to contact the undersigned.
4. I understand that open wounds are NOT permitted in the YMCA's swimming pool. I grant permission for the YMCA to apply a spray on bandage (called Spray Bandage by First Aid Only) to stop germs from entering small cut. If it is a small cut and the swim instructor permits the camper to swim, I understand that this is the only way my child may enter the pool.
5. All subsequent changes require a \$25 switching fee. This includes changing individuals days (based on your plan).
6. In signing this agreement, I certify that s/he is able to participate fully in the programs unless otherwise stated in writing to the YMCA of Gloucester County. In the case of my child being removed from camp, I understand that there will be no refund of camp fees for the period concerned.
7. A refund will only be considered if a refund request is filled out and turned in to weeks prior to the start date of the cycle requested. If you are requesting a refund for a cycle, all but the youth program membership fee and nonrefundable deposits will be returned within 2-4 weeks (if approved).
8. I agree to have all necessary forms completed and submitted to the YMCA of Gloucester County by registration due dates.
9. All payments must be paid in full within the schedule days to receive the stated rate. All late fees apply after any payment due date
10. The YMCA of Gloucester County reserves the right to photograph or film any member/camper and use said pictures or film or any form of advertising or promotion as deemed appropriate.
11. Financial Assistance is available for camp where funds are available. Not all camps are eligible for assistance.

PICK UP AUTHORIZATION & EMERGENCY CONTACTS

Parents or guardians names must be included in this list. You will be given pick up cards to distribute to everyone on this list, which must be presented WITH A PHOTO ID when picking up your child. In emergency situations only, parent/guardian must give written permission for an individual who is not on the list, to pick up the child listed on this application. Children will not be released without an authorization key card or emergency written permission. NO exceptions will be made to this policy. This is done for the safety of your child. Please make sure individuals on this list are aware that they may be called in an emergency to pick up your child. You are welcome to add or delete from this list at any time, however you will be responsible for retrieving any invalid cards. Please indicate if a non-custodial parent has limits on visitation or pick-up. If a non-custodial parent has denied visitation or has limited visitation by court order, a copy of the order must be given to the YMCA and kept on file at the program.

1) Name _____ Address _____

1st Phone _____ 2nd Phone _____ Relationship _____

2) Name _____ Address _____

1st Phone _____ 2nd Phone _____ Relationship _____

3) Name _____ Address _____

1st Phone _____ 2nd Phone _____ Relationship _____

4) Name _____ Address _____

1st Phone _____ 2nd Phone _____ Relationship _____

THE FOLLOWING ARE NOT PERMITTED TO PICK UP MY CHILD:

Name _____ Relationship _____

Name _____ Relationship _____

YOUR SIGNATURE (PARENT/GUARDIAN) _____ DATE _____