





ABOUT YMCA SUMMER DAY CAMP

At YMCA Summer Day Camp, children learn leadership skills and develop self-confidence in a safe, accepting, and stimulating environment. The personal skills, commitments, and values children need to make good choices, take responsibility for their own lives, and become independent and fulfilled. It all happens at the Y.

Children explore their creative side, perform science experiments, learn to swim, shoot hoops, make new friends, and learn all summer long. Our camp program is structured around the Y's core values – caring, honesty, respect and responsibility – to help campers reach their fullest potential physically, mentally, and emotionally. Our mission is to nurture campers and provide an environment of achievement,

MEMBERSHIP

All children must be a current YMCA member at the time of camp registration.

Membership must remain valid through sessions child is enrolled in camp programs.

A program membership fee is automatically included during online registration. If you are currently a YMCA member, you will be refunded this amount.

independence, friendship, and belonging. Our camps are accredited by the American Camp Association. Our flexible programs are designed to accommodate all families across Long Island and cater to meet your child's interests and abilities.

We have redesigned our Camp Programs to adhere to the COVID-19 Safety Guidelines put forth by New York State and related governing agencies.

Visit ymcali.org/camp to read our camp safety protocols.



2021 CAMP SESSIONS

Session 1	June 28 – July 9
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CampRocks! Week

August 23 - August 27

CAMP HOURS

9:00am - 4:00pm

Extended Hours Available for additional cost. See Info & Extras (page 10) for details.

CAMP OPEN HOUSES

All camp open houses will be conducted virtually (via Zoom) at various times. Please check our website for a schedule of dates and times.

CAMP TOURS

Camp Tours will be available in-person by appointment only. Please email us at Camp@ymcali.org to schedule.



ADVENTURE

Each of our YMCA Summer Day Camps is equipped with a world of adventure to explore. Campers can test their limits, connect with the great outdoors, strengthen their communication and problem-solving skills, as well as develop trust and courage.

ATHLETICS

Each day our campers have the opportunity to gain that special kind of excitement from sinking a basket, scoring a goal, or just learning how to play the game. Throughout the summer, our program teaches skills and builds camper confidence while we focus on proficiency, sportsmanship, teamwork, and a love for the game. We encourage participation and celebrate each camper's "personal best." From basketball and soccer to kickball and GaGa, there is a sport for every camper to enjoy.

AQUATICS

The Y has been teaching kids how to swim for more than a century, providing instruction about skills and water safety in a fun and educational environment. Our Summer Day Camp features instructional and recreational swim periods tailored to campers of all levels. Campers will be tested on the first day of camp to determine their appropriate swim level. Swim lessons and recreational swim times are supervised by American Red Cross certified Lifeguards and YMCA certified Water Safety Instructors. At our Glen Cove location, all guards meet Nassau County's standards. Lessons are taught by YMCA certified Water Safety Swim Instructors. Pool activities, whether instructional or recreational, will be subject to the latest NYS COVID-19 Safety Guidelines. Visit ymcali.org/camp for updates.

CAMP TRADITIONS

Theme days, Color War and Carnival days are memories-in-the-making for our campers. Each summer, campers anticipate these special event days with fun-filled activities and costumes such as Spirit Day, Superhero Day, Hawaiian shirt day, and Crazy Hat Day. Color War provides the competitive spirit to showcase new skills and team sportsmanship. On Carnival Days, campers enjoy the fun, games and snacks you'd find at the circus. Our camp sessions also focus on activities that campers and counselors alike can enjoy such as Field Day, scavenger hunts, unit games, and so much more. The fun never ends!

CREATIVE ARTS

Children can explore the magic of creative expression and artistry, which is an important part of our camp. Activities in creative arts help campers develop new interests through exposure to different techniques and materials. Our programs encourage self-expression, develop fine motor skills, and provide mementos that remind campers of their amazing summer all year long.

GAMELAND

Let the games begin! Campers of all ages will love playing an array of games in the outdoors. Whether it's Archery (activity tailored to age groups), Giant Jenga, Giant Connect 4, Bean Bag Toss, Chess, and more, campers will have a blast learning new games and participating in activities that make going to camp so special. Our GameLand gives campers the ability to improve communication, encourage bonding and inclusion, as well as social interaction among their peers.





Please visit ymcali.org for COVID-19 safety protocols that apply to camper divisions and staff.

KIDDIE CAMP

Ages 3-5

Kiddie Campers are placed in age-appropriate groups. This unique camp program is designed to provide both physical growth and socialization through fun-filled early childhood activities. Our experienced staff design camp days that balance the physical and creative activities with both structured and imaginative play. Campers will enjoy swim lessons, arts & crafts, sports fitness, STEAM activities, outdoor play, water activities, special events and more! All indoor activities are held in the comfort of our air-conditioned facilities. *Child must be potty-trained. Please follow up with the camp for further discussion.

YOUTH CAMP

Entering Grades 1-4

Youth Campers are encouraged to have fun and make lifelong friendships while participating in group activities, special events, and camp traditions which develop creativity, independence and teamwork. Camper days are filled with a balance of activities, including swim, sports, creative arts and camp spirit such as theme days, field days, and so much more. Campers also have fun while learning through our Imagination Station and STEM Program, taught by qualified specialists. Every activity mixes fun with high-quality instruction that is tailored to each child's individual needs and developmental level.

PRE-TEEN CAMP

TEEN CAMP

Entering Grades 5-7

Entering Grades 8-9

Our Pre-Teen and Teen Campers take pride in having their own identity within camp. The Y provides the perfect environment for campers to make new friends, explore the world around them, and develop decision-making and character-building. Campers enjoy trips*, special events throughout the summer and participate in traditional day camp fun such as sports, crafts, swimming and team exercises. Our Pre-teens and Teens are also able to choose from various Camper's Choice activities, so that they can explore potential interests and build skills in their favorite areas.

* Trips are subject to NYS COVID-19 Safety Guidelines. This will be determined closer to the start of the camp season.

LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



CIT (COUNSELOR-IN-TRAINING)

Entering Grade 10

Our Counselor-in-Training program combines the fun of camp with leadership and onthe-job training. The CIT program is a unique opportunity for motivated young adults to develop the necessary skills to be role models for children. CITs spend part of their day enjoying a range of activities and part of their day learning about responsibility and professionalism by assisting counselors with camper activities. They also learn interviewing skills, CPR/First Aid, and guidance on how to navigate difficult social challenges of young adulthood.



"It's the only place I truly trust where my kid is active, making friends, building independence, and having fun."

▷ Beth, parent of a Y camper



▷ Aleesha, age 4





"I wait all year to go back to camp."

▷ Dylan, age 9



SPECIALTY CAMPS

SPORTS CAMPS

Entering Grades 1-5

Groups organized by grade level.

Sports Camp is perfect for the "athletically enthusiastic" child. Our experienced Specialists gear instruction to all levels and abilities. The program focuses on keeping campers active, honing their skills, as well as playing a variety of sports and games in a fun and safe environment. Throughout the program, teamwork and sportsmanship are fostered and hand-eye coordination and motor skills are developed. Sports include basketball, soccer, football, volleyball, T-ball, hockey and more! Campers also enjoy other camp activities and traditions throughout the summer.

*Sports vary by branch and are subject to NYS COVID-19 Safety Guidelines. Check rate card at ymcali.org/camp for applicable offsite locations.





SUMMER LEARNING IS FUN!



PSEG STEM DISCOVERY LAB

Our YMCA Summer Day Camp supports science, technology, engineering, arts, and math. Thanks to the support of PSEG Long Island and PSEG Foundation, our campers are engaged in daily activities that nurture their curiosity, inspire creativity, and teach them how to succeed. Campers learn how to solve problems, develop critical thinking skills, and learn to work successfully in teams.



IMAGINATION STATION

Imagination Station is an integral component of the YMCA Summer Day Camp and helps children prevent "summer slide," the phenomena where students tend to fall back in reading and comprehension during out-of-school time. Every week, children engage in interactive activities including games, drama, and art to review and build upon specific literacy skills. Thanks to the support of the Rauch Foundation, the YMCA provides certified specialists who use an interactive and engaging curriculum created by our Literacy Cabinet team for the camp season. Campers age 3 through grade 3 participate.



INCLUSION PROGRAM

Every child should have the opportunity at camp to learn, to feel supported, enabled, and inspired to do their personal best. We offer an inclusive camp program for children with disabilities. Thanks to the support of the LIAM Foundation, an Inclusion Specialist is provided at no cost, for children who need extra support and guidance.



*At Great South Bay YMCA only. To be a candidate, applications must be submitted by April 30th. Subject to availability.



INFO & EXTRAS





We are pleased to offer our camp families the convenience of extended care in the early morning and late afternoon for an additional fee. Extended Day AM and PM simply "extends" the fun that takes place each day at the YMCA. Pre-registration is required.

Extended Day AM Hours: 7:00AM – 9:00AM Extended Day PM Hours: 4:00PM – 6:00PM



TRANSPORTATION

Roundtrip Door-to-Door and/or Shuttle Bus Transportation is an optional service for our camp families. Our goal is to ensure that every child's amazing camp experience begins from the moment they step onto our buses. We work with reputable bus companies to provide our carefully routed fleet. All 3-year olds, or children under 40lbs., are required to provide a car seat on the bus.

Great South Bay and Patchogue-Brookhaven Roe campers must be entering 1st grade for transportation.

Service and cost vary by branch. Check ymcali.org/camp for details and pricing.



LUNCH PLAN

We provide parents with the option to purchase daily, nutritious lunch for your child from a selection of menu options to satisfy even the pickiest eaters, for an additional cost. We take food allergies seriously and accommodations are made within camp groups to ensure the safety of children with life-threatening allergies. Lunch plan details will be available in Spring 2021.

Extra services above are subject to NYS COVID-19 Safety Guidelines. Service details will be determined closer to the start of camp 2021. Visit ymcali.org/camp for up-to-date information. If services are cancelled by the Y, you will receive a refund.



COMMUNICATIONS

Want up-to-date information on your child? We love sharing the fun we're having every day with our camp families. Families can sign up for text messaging to receive camp announcements. Emails are also sent with regular camp updates. Check out our Camp Today blog and YMCA Summer Day Camp social media channels for photos and updates. Our Camp Directors are available throughout the day to answer any questions pertaining to your child.



PAYMENT/FEES/REFUND POLICY

Camp payments can be made in full or families can sign up for our monthly payment plan with a deposit of \$50 per week.

To help our families, we have updated our cancellation and refund policy:

- Cancellation Policy: Cancellations made more than eight (8) business days in advance of your child's camp session will receive a full refund, including the deposit. Requests made less than seven (7) business days, will not receive a refund for the cancelled session.
- 2. If the Y cancels a session: You will receive a full refund, including the deposit.

Pro-rating is not available and there are no refunds for missed days of camp due to illness shorter than 5 consecutive days. Medical refund requests must have a doctor's note within 5 days of the illness. The YMCA reserves the right to suspend or remove a child from camp. Refunds may not be given wherein this decision is necessary. All balances **must be paid in full** by the due date in order for child to attend camp.



DISCOUNTS AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

The YMCA is pleased to offer Early Bird discount pricing to all of our camp families. All offers expire April 30, 2021. Financial Assistance is available to families who apply and qualify before the deadline, April 30, 2021. Financial Assistance will be awarded on a need basis by June 1, 2021. Please contact your Y for details.



YMCA SUMMER DAY CAMP LOCATIONS

855-2YMCALI • YMCALI.org/Camp

BROOKHAVEN ROE Y CENTER

155 Buckley Road Holtsville, NY 11742 631.289.4440

GREAT SOUTH BAY YMCA AT ACLD ADVENTURE ZONE

67 Greenwood Road Bay Shore, NY 11706 516.238.0766

PATCHOGUE FAMILY YMCA

255 West Main Street Patchogue, NY 11772 631.891.1800

YMCA EAST HAMPTON AT JOHN M. MARSHALL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

3 Gingerbread Lane East Hampton, NY 11937 Camp Office: 631.402.3982 631.329.6884

GREAT SOUTH BAY YMCA

200 West Main Street Bay Shore, NY 11706 631.665.4255

HUNTINGTON YMCA

60 Main Street Huntington, NY 11743 631.421.4242

YMCA AT GLEN COVE

125 Dosoris Lane Glen Cove, NY 11542 516.671.8270

