

Southern Prairie YMCA Summer Day Camp Information

Y Membership and Rate Schedule

- Campers must be going into Kindergarten –6th grades in September 2018 and be YMCA members. Financial assistance available.
- The YMCA does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, color, creed, national origin or ethnic background. The group may sometimes be separated so campers can enjoy a variety of age-appropriate activities.
- Camp operates from 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM weekdays.

Over 40 hours
\$140 per week 2nd child \$120

30-40 hours
\$130 per week 2nd child \$110

20-30 hours
\$80 per week 2nd child \$70

Hourly: \$6.00

- Our YMCA Day Camp has been accredited by the **American Camp Association** by meeting safety regulations and proper camp procedures.

Registration

- **Space is limited. Early registration and payment guarantees your child's spot in camp. A one-time registration fee of \$35/family plus a deposit for the first week camper is attending, is due at sign up.** Fees are non-refundable and non-transferable.
- **Completed health forms** are due to Camp Director prior to starting camp.

Withdrawal/Absence/Vacation/Change of hours

- **Written notice** is required, **at least 2 weeks in advance**, if camper needs to withdraw from the program for any reason
- **Notify Camp Director at least 2 weeks before vacation or planned absence or change in hours or you will be charged.**
- Enrollment reserves staff and provisions for your camper whether he/she attends or not.
- When a camper is unable to attend camp as scheduled due to illness, sudden vacation plans, or other reasons, **there will be no discounts, credit or refunds.**
- If camper is suspended or dismissed from program due to disruptive or unsafe behavior, no refunds will be granted.
- **Paid registration fees or deposits are non-refundable.**

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Payment Process

- **Payments are due to the Camp Director on the Friday before the camp week starts.**
- Weekly fees will be paid through EFT bank draft on the Friday before the week of attendance.
- Hannah can discuss payment options with you if needed.
- A **late fee of \$10** will be charged if payment is not received on time and you have not discussed other arrangements with Hannah.

Program Assistance

- Need-based program financial assistance is available to YMCA members through a confidential application process.
- Financial assistance forms may be obtained from Hannah Jaegers.
- Applications must be received for processing at least **2 weeks before the camper's first session.**
- Assistance is not retroactive.
- Contact Camp Director, Hannah Jaegers for more information.

Camp Requirements

- The Southern Iowa Trolley will transport campers and staff on our field trips in town.
- **Parents will be notified of field trips at least a week in advance. There will be a fee of \$1/trip to be paid to camp staff on day of trip.**
- Each camper is required to have a **swim suit and towel to be kept at camp.** They will be laundered after each use.
- 1 water bottle will be provided. If broken or lost parent/guardian will purchase replacement.

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• Goals For Success

- Emphasis placed on the YMCA core values of **Honesty, Caring, Respect, and Responsibility**
- Encourage healthy living through physical activity
- Partnering with parents/guardians to positively reinforce proper behavior
- Safety for each camper and respect for the places we visit
- For all campers to achieve their fullest potential physically, mentally, and spiritually

Pick Up and Drop Off

- Drop off begins at 7AM at the YMCA lobby. Pick up will be off Lincoln Street under canopy. In extreme weather conditions, it will be in the YMCA lobby.
- Program ends at 6PM. **A \$5 late charge will be added for every 5 minutes after 6:00 pick up.**
- All campers will be signed in and out each day only by parent/guardian or by person, 18 years or older, authorized on permission form. Staff may ask for ID if person is not familiar to them. Without proper ID, child will not be allowed to leave with them.
- Please call the YMCA at 641-782-9622 when there are changes in your arrangements.

Dress For Fun

- The Day Camp day is planned to be active and fun so dress campers in **appropriate play clothes**. Sometimes we get messy and dirty and we don't want anyone to miss out because of dress-up clothes.
- **Close-toed SNEAKERS are required.** Sandals, crocs, and flip-flops are not safe for our activities.

Personal Items

- Please **label** everything with camper's name such as bathing suits, towels, sunscreen, lunch boxes.
- **Every camper needs sunscreen with their name on it every day. Please apply it before they come** and staff will be sure it is applied during the day.
- **No personal electronics including cell phones and video games, stuffed animals, or other toys.** These will be taken by staff and returned to adult at pick up.
- **There is no need for campers to bring money.** If there is a cost for an activity it will be paid to a camp staff person by an adult.

Health Guidelines

- A sick child should be kept home for their comfort and the safety of others.
- If a camper becomes ill during the day, parents will be called and should make arrangements to pick their camper up immediately. **Please keep your emergency contacts updated.**

Injury/Medications

- The camp staff is trained in and will administer first aid for minor injuries. Accident/Injury reports will be filled out and shared with parents.
- If outside medical attention is required, camper will be treated as outlined on medical forms.
- **Medications must be in original container and will be administered by camp staff according to medication log filed by parent/guardian with Jenn Queener.**
- Over-the-counter meds such as Advil will not be given.

Healthy Choices

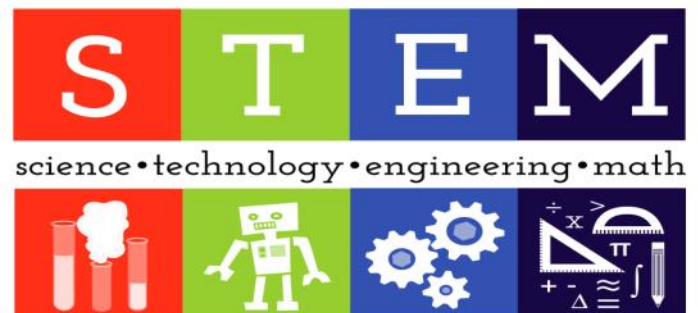
- **Each camper will bring a packed lunch every day – NO SODA or ENERGY DRINKS, NO MICRO-WAVE MEALS**
- Fruits, veggies, sandwiches and snacks, low in sugar, packed in insulated lunch boxes will give your camper energy to enjoy their day
- **WATER** is the best drink to quench a hot camper's thirst!
- The YMCA will supply 1 water bottle/camper the first day of camp. Campers will fill it during the day as needed.
- A healthy snack will be provided by the YMCA each afternoon

Communication

- The camp staff is as concerned about safety and proper behavior at camp as you are. If there are any unusual situations at home that may affect your child's camp experience please let the staff know.
- Hannah Jaegers, Camp Director, will keep you informed weekly with details for upcoming events and important camp happenings.
- E-mails are always welcome to keep the lines of communication open! We welcome your questions and suggestions.

Camp Structure

- YMCA Day Camp is based on Christian values and behavior. Staff works with the campers to develop positive attitudes with respect for others.
- Guidelines for acceptable behavior are discussed and reinforced positively throughout the day's activities
- Y Camp incorporates the **STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math)**-based approach - learning while having fun! You may hear about launching rockets, cleaning oil spills, creating robots – we have so much fun!



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