



WELCOME TO SUMMER CAMP

CAMP HILLSIDE

Summer is our favorite season at the Y. We love to see all of our campers get up, out, and exploring. The YMCA of Metro North Summer Camps encourage young people to achieve more, build relationships with peers, and feel a sense of belonging through fun and enriching experiences.

ABOUT SUMMER CAMP PROGRAMS

YMCA of Metro North Summer Camps are seasonal day camp programs for girls and boys ages 4 to 12. In addition to our counselor in training program for 13–15 year olds At Camp, children make friends, discover their passions, explore creativity and develop skills through a wide range of weekly activities. The YMCA helps them develop strong friendships and make memories that last a lifetime.







A TYPICAL DAY

Each day, parents/guardians will say their goodbyes to their campers at their designated drop-off location where a pre-screening will be conducted. Staff will escort campers from their cars to their home base to meet their counselors and other group members! Camp then begins with small group assemblies – spirited meetings to get campers excited for their day ahead! Campers move on to many activities from swimming, field games, arts & crafts, nature and adventure, and more! Each camp day ends with a ceremony for announcements, awards, and other special activities before campers are escorted back to their cars for pick-up. Each week also has a social responsibility theme where campers will explore different games, projects, and activities to gain insight and hands on experience learning about the themes.

CAMP HILLSIDE HIGHLIGHTS

- Conquer challenges, experience a variety of guided outdoor activities including low ropes courses, and engage in stimulating summer learning fun!
- Plenty of outdoor play space including a playground, basketball court, and gaga pit.
- Outdoor pool center with splash pad, playground, and picnic areas.
- Indoor alternative facilities including a full court gymnasium, fitness studio, and classrooms for STEAM activities.
- Participation in our community garden project from planting, maintenance, and the health and wellness benefits that come from learning about and engaging in this process.
- Weekly camp newsletter with important information and announcements for parents & campers.
- Dedicated staff team with years of camp experience and extensive training.

YOUNG EXPLORERS PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS (AGES 4-5)

- A transitional program for our youngest campers to gain all the benefits that Camp Hillside has to offer without the overwhelming nature of being outside 100% of the time.
- Campers will arrive in a more relaxed environment where they will have a morning meeting with their group to prepare for the day.
- Campers will participate in all the events and activities that make Camp Hillside special such as low ropes, nature hikes, team building activities, and service-learning themes but in an age-appropriate environment.

Each Camper receives a weekly newsletter with important information and announcements from our dedicated staff team with years of camp experience and extensive health and safety training.





CAMP HILLSIDE GOALS

- Deliver a summer full of rewarding experiences to campers of all ages.
- Ignite a passion for physical activity and appreciation for the great outdoors.
- Encourage campers to try new experiences.
- Give campers the opportunity to belong in a safe and supportive environment.
- Inspire socially responsible campers ready to give back to the community.

CAMP HILLSIDE WEEKLY RATES

\$30 non-refundable deposit per week is due at registration

* Sibling discount 15% off for second child

Ages	Family Members	Youth Members	Non Members
Young Explorers	\$295	\$325	\$385
4-5 Years			
Explorers	\$295	\$325	\$385
6 Years			
Camp Hillside	\$265	\$300	\$365
7-12 Years			
Extended Day	\$30	\$35	\$40
CIT'S	\$185	\$205	\$225
13-15 Years			

CAMP DATES & HOURS

11 Weeks One-week sessions from June 21-September 3. We are open five days a week from **8:00am through 4:00pm** Extended day runs from **4:00pm through 5:30pm** All membership upgrades must be purchased before May 15, 2024 for family and youth member pricing.

Camp is closed on Wednesday, June 19th, (Week 1) and Thursday, July 4th and Friday July 5th (Week 3)

Information Sessions

Thursday, February 22: 5:00pm-6:00pm | Saturday, April 20: 10:00am-12:00pm

Summer Camp Enrollment

Member: January 8, 2024 | Non-Member: February 12, 2024

Camp Hillside Themes Dress Up Days 2024 **Weekly Themes** Social Responsibility Thursdays Week 1 Dress Up as Your Disney Working Together June 17-21 Favorite Disney Character (Closed June 19) PRIDE-Come Dressed Week 2 Money Wars Economic Responsibilities in as Many Colors as You Can Wear June 24-June 28 Week 3 Wear the Most Red, White, and Blue USA Respecting Our Difference July 1-3 Who has the Most Patriotic Spirit (Closed July 4th & 5th) Your Groups Country Colors Week 4 Hawaii Luau Disability Awareness (Each Group will Be Given A Country, July 8-12 Wear the Colors of Your Country) Week 5 Backwards Day Olympics Week Hunger Awareness (Wear your Clothes Backwards) July 15-19 Week 6 Backwards Day Ocean Week **Endangered Species** (Wear your Clothes Backwards) July 22-26 Crazy Hair Day Week 7 Science/Space Random Acts of Kindess (Come to Camp with the craziest July 29-August 2 Hair Style You Can Think of) Boston Sports Pride Week 8 (Celtics, Bruins, Patriots, Red Sox, Sports Mania Healthy Living August 5-9 Revolution, You Name it, Come in With Boston Pride Week 9 Cultural Awareness Day Super Hero Training Academy (Calling All Capes, Masks, and Super August 12-16 Powers) Week 10 Camp Spirit Caring for the Environment Pajama Day August 19-23

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YMCA of Metro North

REGISTER FOR SUMMER CAMP

IT PAYS TO BE A MEMBER

A membership at the YMCA of Metro North is a tremendous value! Save over \$700 on camp this summer when you become a Family Member and maintain your membership through the duration of your Camp registration.

A family membership at the YMCA gives you access to group exercise classes, gym time, family swim, Child Watch while you work out, access to join the outdoor pool club, discounted rates on programming, and so much more! Join online at www.ymcametronorth.org/membership/.

SAFETY IS A SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

YMCA camps have always focused on providing a physically and emotionally safe and healthy environment for children. Following guidelines from health experts and local officials, the YMCA will ensure all components of camp are cleaned and sanitized to meet the highest standards for hygiene and sanitation. YMCA of Metro North camps comply with all regulations of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health and are licensed by the Board of Health. Parents/Guardians may request copies of background checks, health care and discipline policies as well as procedures for filing grievances. Our association offers a wide variety of summer camp experiences. Learn more about safety practices at www.ymcametronorth.org/summer-camp/.

Required Paperwork

All forms and documentation are due at the time of registration. A 2024 camp registration form, most recent physical & immunization record, recent photo, and auto-draft form are mandatory for every camper.

FINANCIAL AID

Financial aid is available through the YMCA's ACCESS program. All financial aid applications are reviewed on a first come, first serve basis. More information including application forms and payment plans are available online at www.ymcametronorth.org/camp-online-application/.



GIVE THE GIFT OF CAMP

Each year the lives of more than 60,000 people are changed for the better by YMCA of Metro North programs and services. It would not be possible for the Y to fulfill its mission without the generosity of our many corporate and individual donors and volunteers. Your support ensures that the YMCA will never have to turn someone away due to an inability to pay. When we work together, we are all better. Consider supporting the Y this season www.ymcametronorth.org/support/.

To learn about YMCA Camps and Summer programs please visit:

www.ymcametronorth.org/summer-camp/





CAMP DISCOVERY

Demakes Family YMCA 40 Neptune Blvd. Lynn, MA 01902 781-842-8811



Torigian Family YMCA 259 Lynnfield Street Peabody, MA 01960 978-977-YMCA (9622)



Saugus Family YMCA 298 Main Street Saugus, MA 01906 781-233-9622

CAMP MELSTONE

Melrose Family YMCA 497 Main Street Melrose, MA 02176 781-665-4360

GYMNASTICS CAMP

Gymnastics Center - Saugus 298B Main Street Saugus, MA 01906 781-233-9622











COMMITTED TO YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

The YMCA is committed to nurturing the potential of every child and teen. From cradle to career, young people are encouraged to lead inspired, successful lives. From camp to child care to afterschool activities to sports and more, the Y offers holistic programming that enhances, protects and nurtures the unique development journey of every child and teen.

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