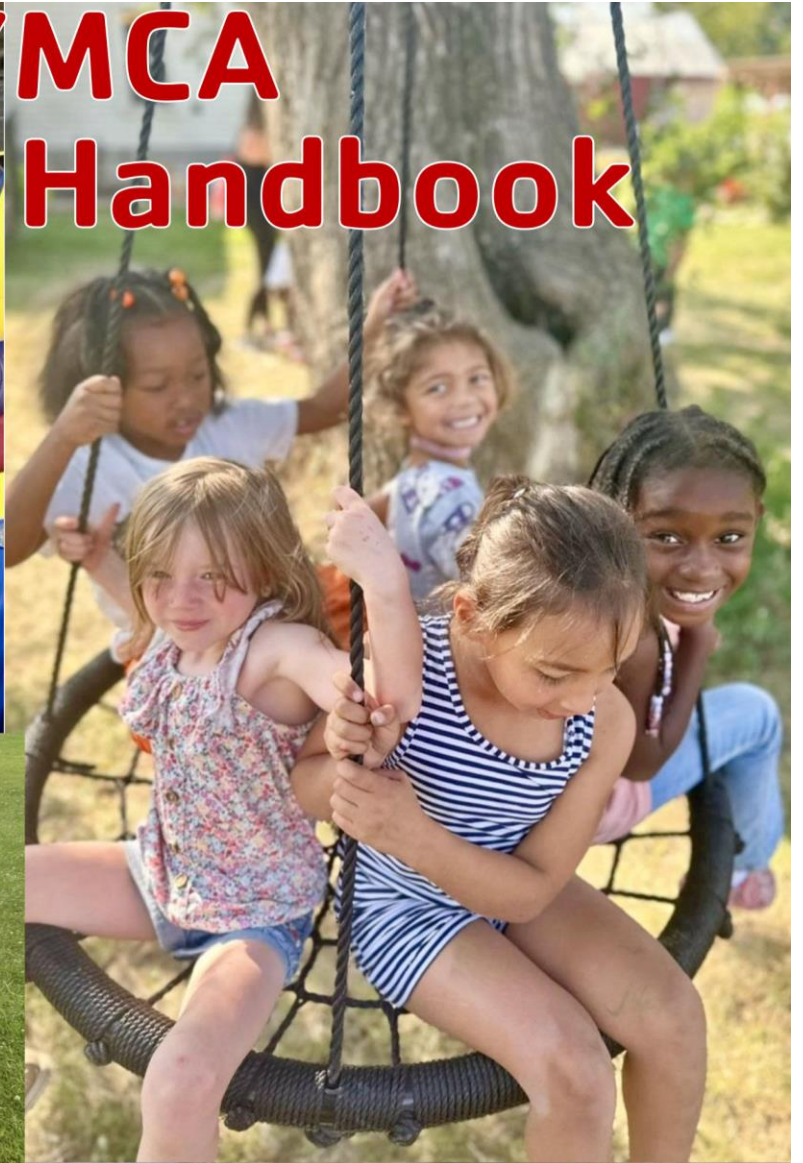


# YMCA Parent Handbook



2025-26

## YMCA Mission:

To put Christian principles into practice through programs that build a healthy spirit, mind, and body for all.

At Y camps, we create a place where campers learn, make new friends, and enjoy being kids. We give them a summer full of fun and smiles.

## YMCA Participant Goals:

- To Be Safe, Secure & Confident
- To Foster Lifelong Skills & Values
- To Build Social Skills & Relationships
- To Become Better Leaders
- To Explore Interests & Have Fun

## Times & Rates:

- Monday-Friday 7am-6pm
- June 2<sup>nd</sup>-August 8<sup>th</sup>
- **Full Time**- 5 days a week
  - Members- \$175/week
  - Non-Members- \$225/week
- **Part Time**- 3 days a week
  - Members- \$105/week
  - Non-Members-\$135/week

## Payment Info:

- To reserve your spot for camp a \$35 non-refundable deposit is required.
- Full payment for each week is **due on the Friday before** your child attends camp.
- We accept personal checks, money orders and credit card payments.

## Financial Assistance:

The YMCA works closely with Community Child Care Connection to ensure camp is accessible for families. We also have assistance through the YMCA that families can apply for.

## Camp Staff:

Y camp teams are carefully selected for their enthusiasm, experience and professionalism. All camp team members are extensively trained in policies & procedures, CPR/First Aid and how to work well with campers. Most importantly, we choose people who love bringing joy and excitement to kids.

## What to Bring Each Day:

- Sunscreen (spray sunscreen highly preferred)
- Extra change of clothes
- Swim apparel and a towel
- A filled water bottle

## Drop Off & Pick Up:

All children must be signed in & out of the program daily by an authorized adult (18 years or older). Children will only be dismissed to authorized persons listed as an authorized adult.

## Late Pick-Up Procedures:

Y childcare ends at 6 p.m. A late pick-up fee will be assessed after the program closes. There will be an additional charge of \$10 per child, every 10 minutes starting at 6:05 p.m.

Parents who have not notified the director they will be late can expect the following sequence of events to occur.

- **6 p.m. Program closes.** Staff member in charge begins calling parent. If contact is not made, alternative contacts listed on the registration form will be called.
- **6:30 p.m.** Staff member in charge contacts team leader, program director, and local authorities.
- **6:45 p.m.** If there is no contact from the parent and no other safe option, the child will be turned over to the city or county police department.

## Health Policy:

A sick child is to be kept at home for their own sake and that of others. Many communicable diseases begin with cold-like symptoms. A child is considered ill when he/she is experiencing any of the following symptoms:

- An elevated temperature of 100 degrees or higher
- Vomiting
- An unidentified or contagious rash
- Ringworm
- Weep & red eyes (sign of conjunctivitis, pink eye, which is very contagious).
- Excessive cough and/or nasal discharge (any green mucus)
- Lice
- Any other symptoms that prevent your child from participating in the day's activities.

Please inform the Director of Youth Development and/or the Camp Supervisor about the nature of any illness. If your child has a communicable disease, please inform staff when it first appeared. To return to camp, a doctor's release stating that your child is no longer contagious must be shown.

## **A child may return to camp when:**

- Their temperature has been normal for 48 - 72 hours without Tylenol, aspirin or substitutes.
- They have been diagnosed with a bacterial infection and have been on antibiotics for 48 hours.
- It has been 48 -72 hours since the last episode of vomiting or diarrhea without medicine.
- Eyes are no longer discharging. If pink eye is suspected, continued treatment with antibiotics must have occurred for at least 48 HOURS.
- The rash has subsided, or the doctor has determined that the rash is not contagious.

## **Medication:**

Our Child Care Director or Head Counselors will administer medications. All medications must include a signed **"Authorization to Administer Medication" Form**. Medicine must be in the original container and include a label. All prescriptions must be current, and staff must follow the instructions as listed on the label. Medication and records will be kept, locked, on program site with medication schedule.

- No over-the-counter medication, including aspirin, cough medicine etc will be given without a doctor's written consent.
- Staff cannot administer amounts other than specified on bottle or split pills.

## **Discipline & Guidance Policy**

It is the Y's goal to provide a healthy, safe, and secure environment for all program participants. Children who attend the program are expected to follow the behavior guidelines based on the Y's four core values and to interact appropriately in a group setting. Behavior Guidelines:

- We will care for ourselves and for those around us.
- Honesty will be the basis for all relationships and interactions.
- People are responsible for their actions.
- We respect each other and the environment.

## Acknowledgement / Signature Form

I understand the rules and guidelines as explained in the YMCA Parent Handbook. I am confirming that I have received and read the YMCA Parent Handbook and that I am in agreement with the conditions outlined.

**Date:**

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**Child's Name:**

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**Parent/Legal Guardian Signature:**

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