



## YMCA SUMMER DAY CAMPS Frequently Asked Questions

### Where Do I Drop off My Child?

- **Central Y at Emerson Park at 1116 W Alice**  
**Swim Lesson Campers need to be dropped off at the Central Y 930 N Monroe meeting rooms prior to 7:45am**
- **North YMCA - 10727 N Newport Hwy under the Pavilion**
- **South Y at Manito United Methodist Church at 3220 S Grand**
- **Valley Y Camp - 2412 N Discovery Place under the pavilion**

### Do you serve lunches and snacks?

Free lunches for children and youth ages 2-18 are available at each location, see details below. AM Breakfast/snack and pm snack is available at all locations.

Menus will be provided prior to the first day of camp. All Summer Food Service Programs follow USDA guidelines and are provided by East Valley School District, Spokane School District or the YMCA, depending on location.

- Central Y and Emerson Park-Monday through Friday 6/15-8/28
- North Y- Monday through Friday 6/15-August (date Spokane Schools stops serving)
- South Y-Monday through Friday 6/15- 8/28
- Valley Y\*-Monday through Thursday 6/15-August (date East Valley stops serving)  
\*only available for groups remaining at the Valley Y on non-field trip days

### Do I have to drop my child off at 6:30am?

No you can drop off any time prior to 9am when we begin to depart for field trips.

If you drop off after they have left for their field trip your child will not be able to attend without approval from the Program Director. This is for safety reasons so that we can ensure we have the correct names and head counts for the day.

### What time can I pick up my child?

Pickup time is after 4pm when campers return from their field trips.

If you need to pick your child up prior to 4pm please notify the sign-in desk staff and note that you would have to pick up from the field trip site.

### What are your staff requirements?

All staff are required to have the following:

- Pass a Department of Children, Youth and Families (DCYF) background clearance & fingerprints
- Child Abuse Prevention training
- CPR & First Aid certification
- BBP & HIV/Aids Training
- Minimum of 10 hours of training prior to start of camp. Including safety, curriculum, relationship building and communication



### **Where do you go swimming and are there lifeguards?**

YMCA day camps swim at various locations including the YMCA, Spokane City and County pools and area lakes. There are certified lifeguards at all locations where the campers will swim. Staff child ratio while at a swimming location is a minimum of 1:10.

### **What do I need to know for swim lessons?**

Swim lessons start promptly at 8am. Campers should come in their swimsuits and be signed in no later than 7:45am. Please note that there are no swim lessons for the South Y location at Manito United Methodist Church.

### **How do I authorize an adult to pick up my child in case I am unable to make it?**

Written permission is needed; you can email the program director or give written permission at the time of drop off. Photo ID will be required upon pickup.

### **How can I contact Day Camp?**

Contact numbers will be given out prior to the start of camp. Please note that during activities staff may not hear the phone ring and they will respond as soon as possible.

### **Why do I need an immunization form?**

This is required by Washington State DCYF and must be on the form included in the Child Information Packet.

### **How do I claim lost items?**

There is a lost and found area at each location or you can email the program director. Please check weekly.

### **What kind of activities will my child be doing?**

Daily activities may include assemblies, small & large group time, scheduled activities such as games and arts & crafts and a field trip.

### **Does my child need money for field trips?**

Field trip fees are included as part of the registration fee. If it is a special occasion or event you will be notified in advance. Weekly schedules will be emailed weekly and available on site.

### **What will happen in case of extreme weather/smoke?**

Please refer to the parent handbook for extreme weather and smoky day policies.

### **What if I want to cancel a week?**

Please notify us in writing the Monday prior to the week of attendance via [Schoolageprograms@ymcainw.org](mailto:Schoolageprograms@ymcainw.org) or at the sign in desk. Cancellations received no later than the week prior to attendance will be refunded or credited towards remaining balance, minus the \$20 deposit.

### **Can my child bring a phone or electronic device?**

We strive to be unplugged so that campers can enjoy the day camp experience without distractions. Please no cell phones or electronic devices. Please note the YMCA is not responsible for stolen or lost electronic devices.

### **Can my child go with a different group or grade?**

Please contact the Program Director with any questions.