

A young boy in a red t-shirt with the YMCA logo is running towards the camera on a grassy field. He is smiling and has his hands on his hips. In the background, other children and adults are engaged in activities. A man in a yellow shirt and blue shorts is standing nearby. There are orange cones on the grass. The overall scene is outdoors with green foliage in the background.

**SOUNDVIEW FAMILY YMCA  
CAMP HAYS  
SUMMER 2023**



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# WELCOME TO SUMMER DAY CAMP!

The **CENTRAL CONNECTICUT COAST YMCA** believes all kids have great potential and deserve the opportunity to discover who they are and what they can achieve. At the **SOUNDVIEW FAMILY YMCA, CAMP HAYS** day camp kids and teens can develop skills, self-confidence, new friendships and a sense of belonging – all while having tons of fun.

In order to have fun and thrive, kids of all ages need to feel both physically and emotionally safe. When you drop your child off at a **SOUNDVIEW FAMILY YMCA, CAMP HAYS**, you can rest assured that their total well-being will be supported. Safety is always our number one priority! We keep kids healthy and safe while providing enriching experiences.

As a leading nonprofit committed to nurturing the potential of youth, the Y has been a leader in providing summer camp for over 130 years. Our experienced and caring staff and volunteers model the positive core Y values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility that help build character.

Financial assistance is available for families who need it to ensure that all kids in our community can have enriching summer experiences. If you'd like to help send a child to camp, you can donate easily on our website or at our Y.

Our camp programs fill up fast, so make plans to reserve your spot today! Visit [www.cccymca.org](http://www.cccymca.org) to learn more about all our Summer Camp programs including **YMCA Camp Hi-Rock** an overnight experience on a beautiful lake in the Berkshires.

**OUR MISSION:** To put Judeo-Christian principles into practice through programs that build healthy spirit, mind and body for all.



# SOUNDVIEW YMCA CAMP HAYS

At Camp Hays, we are committed to helping your child have a great camp experience through fun activities and games that encourage children (ages 3-15) develop new skills and try new things. We pride ourselves on the variety of activities we offer that keep campers engaged, busy and active. Each activity period is 35 minutes long, allowing each camper to participate in a variety of activities throughout the day. This summer, campers will enjoy participating in favorites like Gaga, Arts & Crafts, Archery, Sports and Nature while hanging out with new and old friends.

Camp Hays celebrates with a new theme each week on "Wacky Wednesday!" Campers and Staff dress up and play games for the themed week.

Our counselors are specially chosen using in-person interviews, reference checks and training. They are educators, future teachers and local students with a genuine interest in working with children. Your children may already know them from other Y programs. At least 80% are 18 years old and older. After receiving an average of 40 hours of training in safety, positive behavior management and activity planning, they are ready to help campers make new friends and do Everything possible to ensure a fun summer.

The Y works with children of all abilities. If your child requires special accommodations (social, behavioral, medical) please contact the Camp Director. The Y strives to provide each camper with an optimal summer experience but can not guarantee a specific counselor or camp group.

WEEKLY THEMES	
June 19-23	Aloha Summer
June 26-30	Outer Space
July 3-7	Build It
July 10-14	Amazing Race
July 17-21	Water Olympics
July 24-28	Holiday Hoopla
July 31-August 4	Going Green
August 7-11	Myths & Legends
August 14-18	Color Wars
August 21-25	Anything Goes

CAMPER AGES	CAMP GROUP
Pre K Ages 3, 4, 5	Discovery
Ages 5, 6	Greenhorns
Ages 7, 8	Explorers
Ages 9, 10	Pioneers
Ages 11, 12, 13	Adventurers
14-15 year old	CIT - Counselor In Training



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## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## OUR CREDENTIALS

The Soundview Family YMCA, Camp Hays is a licensed day camp with the CT Office of Early Childhood. We follow state guidelines for our camps to help ensure the program is at its best.

## NEED ADDITIONAL CARE?

The YMCA Camp Hays begins at 9:00 am and ends at 4:00 pm.

Before Care 7:00 am-9:00 am

After / Extended Care 4:00 pm-6:00 pm

Campers must have all current forms completed.

The Parent handbook has a list of important items to bring each day and what to wear to camp.

We are a nut free camp.

## WANT TO LEARN MORE?

Call us for a tour or join us for an Open House meet and greet on:

Saturday March 11 10 am -1 pm

Saturday April 29 10 am -1 pm

Saturday May 13 10 am -1 pm

Saturday June 3 10 am -1 pm

Please visit camp and meet the staff. Ask specific questions and prepare for a positive experience.

## REGISTRATION FEES

**\$25 non-refundable, non-transferrable registration fee per camper is required.**

**\$50 non-refundable, non-transferrable deposit per camper per week required upon registration.** EZ Pay Options are available.

Financial Assistance may be available. Financial Aid forms are due no later than May 1, 2023.

## BECOME A Y MEMBER

Join the Y and gain access to all of our full-facility Y Branches. Enjoy free child watch, group exercise classes, reduced rates for swim lessons and camp. The Y has child care programs available from the day school ends until it begins again! Ask about Vacation Club, Y Fun Club, Before and After school programs and Preschool (for the little ones.) Call the Y for more information. Financial Assistance may be available.

## 2023 CAMP FEES

Camp Choice	Weeks Offered	Member	Program Participant
Youth Membership	Monthly	<b>\$32.00</b>	N/A
Discovery	Weekly 6/19-8/25	\$85	\$85
Greenhorns	Weekly 6/19-8/25	\$85	\$85
Explorers	Weekly 6/19-8/25	\$85	\$85
Pioneers	Weekly 6/19-8/25	\$85	\$85
Adventurers	Weekly 6/19-8/25	\$85	\$85
CIT	Weekly 6/19-8/25	\$85	\$85
AM Care	Weekly 6/19-8/25	\$50	\$85
PM Care	Weekly 6/19-8/25	\$53	\$89

## REGISTRATION STEPS

**Step 1:** Download, pickup, or have us mail you the registration packet. Download at [www.soundviewymca.org](http://www.soundviewymca.org)

**Step 2:** Fill out the registration forms.

**Step 3:** Calculate the deposit.

**Step 4:** Write out your check and either mail or drop off forms at the Y.

**WE CAN BE OF MORE HELP! Call 203 481 9622 or visit [www.soundviewymca.org](http://www.soundviewymca.org)**