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VALLEY YMCA 2024 Frequently Asked Questions and Answers

Where is Valley Ymca Summer Camp located?

10 Father Salemi DR, Ansonia, Ct 06401

What is the contact number to reach someone?

203-732-5527

Is there an office location where I can talk to a person face to face?

During the camp season, the office is located directly on site. You can call to set up an appointment with Felicia at 203-732-5527 or via Email at fbeall@cccymca.org

What are the operating hours for this location?

Monday through Friday. Camp day runs 9:00am-3:30pm, we also offer pre and post care. Pre-care hours are 7am-9am Then Post care is from 3:30pm-6pm

How old does my child need to be to attend camp?

Campers must be between the ages of 3-15 years old to attend camp

What should my child bring to camp?

Backpack, non-perishable bag lunch, nut-free snack, refillable water bottle, spray-on sunscreen and bug spray, swim suit and towel with bag for wet gear, change of clothing, and rain gear

What should I leave at home?

All electronics, cell phones, toys (stuffed animals, LEGO's, cards, etc).

How are campers broken up into groups?

Campers are divided into the following groups depending on their grade in the fall.

- Greenhorns: K-1
- Explorers: 2-3
- Pioneers: 4-6
- Adventurers: 7-8
- CIT's: 9-10

Should I pack my child a lunch?

The Valley Y summer camp provides lunch daily for our campers. Our Lunch is provided by Ansonia Public School District. Campers Can bring a nut-free lunch to camp daily if they would like.

What happens on rainy days at camp?

Camp is held rain or shine! On rainy days, activities will be held inside in our Classrooms.



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Who should I contact if I have any questions about camp?

The camp Director Felica Beall at 203-732-5527 or via Email Fbeall@cccymca.org. The Assistant Camp Director Is Gessy Philius and Can be reached at 203-732-5527.

Where do I sign my child up for camp?

Camp registration can be completed via email, mail, or in-person. Camp registrations can be:

- Emailed to Our Camp Director Fbeall@cccymca.org
- Dropped-off at 10 Father Salemi Dr, Ansonia or at our Day Care center at 32 Howard Ave Ansonia
- Mailed to Valley Ymca P.O BOX 373 Ansonia, CT 06401

Are there specific requirements for registration?

At time of registration, the following items will need to be submitted:

- Summer camp registration packet
 - Registration and Release Form
 - Camp Payment Authorization Form
 - Current Medical Health Assessment Form
 - Camper Behavior Contract
 - Transportation/Swimming Permission Slip
 - Additional forms specific to your child and/or the camp your child attends may be required such as:
 - Field Trip permission form
 - Medication Administration Form (if needed) with an Individual Plan of Care for a Child
 - Individual Plan of Care for a Child
 - Third party organizations must complete and return the Third Party Agreement Form one week prior to the camper's start date.
- Health Forms: State of Connecticut regulations require that a fully completed and signed health form must be on file in the Camp Office one week before the first day of camp. No camper will be allowed to attend camp without a current, complete form. A physical within the past two years is required with this year's date and signature from the physician. Health forms can be requested from the school nurse prior to the end of the school year. Families must submit a health form annually at time of registration. A signed CT Department of Public Health Medical Exemption Certification Statement is required for children without proof of immunization.
- Care 4 Kids paperwork (Initial application, Parent Provider Agreement, and supporting documentation), if applying for financial assistance
- Financial assistance application materials, along with the completed application, if applying for financial assistance



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What is the process for medication authorization forms and medications be handed in for camp?

State regulation requires compliance with the following guidelines with any medications: A completed Individual Plan of Care for a Child and a Medical Authorization Form must be signed by a physician stating name of medication, time to be administered, and prescribed dose to be given. The parent must bring the proper prescription bottle (with exact amount needed for the time the child will be in camp.) No controlled medication is allowed to be sent in with a camper. Medication may be dropped off before the child's camp session. All medication needs to be picked up at end of camp session. Any medication not picked up within one week of last day of camp session will be properly disposed of. Parents must bring in an Individual Plan of Care for a Child and Authorization for the Administration of Medication by Day Care/Camp Personnel Form completed by a Connecticut licensed physician/dentist and by the parent. The medication must be in a safety cap container with the original prescription label. The device for measuring and administering the medication must accompany the medication Children must be given the first dose of medication by a parent before the YMCA may administer subsequent doses. Parents must pick up all unused medication within one week following the termination of the order or the medication will be destroyed. Please see the Camp Director or Nurse for a copy of the entire Medication Administration Policy if your child is in need of medication to be administered while at the camp.

Do you accept Care 4 Kids?

The Y's Financial Assistance program deadline is May 1st. Financial Aid is limited, please apply early. Families applying for Care 4 Kids, both current recipients and new applicants, may be required to pay up to 100% of the total cost of the first session of camp upon registration. Once Care 4 Kids makes a determination of acceptance or denial of funds and provides the Y with reimbursement, the Y will provide families with the total remaining fees that they will be responsible for per session.

What are your fees & refund policies?

Camp fees are due, in full, the Monday, two weeks prior to the session start date. Deposit fees and registration fees are nonrefundable and non-transferrable.

When will information be shared with families about each week of camp?

At the beginning of each session, campers will receive a calendar of events for the week on Mondays at dismissal. We will also be sending out an email communication with the weekly schedule each week. More information about this will be shared in the Welcome Letter that will be shared with camp families prior to the start of the camp season.

Should I send my child in their camp shirt every day?

You are welcome to wear your camp shirt whenever you want! Campers do not have to wear them daily. Campers will be asked to wear their Shirts on Swim days and On Field Trip Days.