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BRIDGEPORT YMCA

2019 Summer Day Camp Brochure

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GREAT SUMMERS START HERE!

We provide a happy, healthy environment for children to learn and grow. At YMCA Summer Day Camp, participants gain a sense of accomplishment, build relationships and find their sense of belonging. It's a opportunity for physical, social, emotional and cognitive learning experiences. For families, camp offers a peace of mind knowing that your child is in a safe and enriching place.

We can't wait to see you at Bridgeport Y Summer Day Camp! We've planned an awesome, activity-packed summer with tons to learn, play and explore. **The Best Summer Ever!**

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. The Central Connecticut Coast YMCA continues to give youth an enriching and safe experience. Our experienced and caring staff and volunteers model the positive core Y values of **caring, honesty, respect** and **responsibility** that help build character.

Everyone belongs at the Y. To ensure that all youth have the chance to experience summer camp, the Y offers financial assistance to those in need. Please talk with us to learn more. If you'd like to help send a child to camp, you can donate easily on our web site or at our Y.

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

BRIDGEPORT Y SUMMER DAY CAMP

Here at the Bridgeport Y we strive for each child to have the **Best Summer Ever!** Our highly trained Senior Counselors take into account the individual needs of each child to ensure that life long friendships and memories are made! Whether it be playing flag football on our grassy field or venturing out on one of our fun and exciting field trips, your child will surely have a summer to remember!

Our summer day camp will begin implementing Literacy and STEM learning activities into our day! The Bridgeport Y has continued to foster youth development and assist in closing the achievement gap. Children will be encouraged to explore and discover, while developing their literacy, math, and science skills. We are committed to helping your child have the **Best Summer Ever!**

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THE BEST SUMMER EVER, FOR EVERY AGE

At the Y, we make kids feel welcome and supported. Our counselors are specially chosen using in-person interviews, reference checks and training. They are educators, recreation specialists, future teachers and local students with a genuine interest in working with children. Your children may already know them from other Y programs and after school care. At least eighty percent, 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 **The Best Summer Ever**.

We focus on the Y's core values of **caring, honesty, respect** and **responsibility**, in all of our activities, from camper-chosen sessions, to swimming, to arts and crafts and games. We provide fun filled activities that allow for physical involvement, social interaction, educational opportunities, leadership building, personal growth and creativity.

Join us for a week or for the entire summer of fun! Campers are divided into groups, by the grade level they'll enter in the fall, with activities appropriate to the interests and needs of each group.

Camp is open to all children. The Y will work 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.

Summer camp will not be in session on Thursday, July 4. Our weekly themes and field trips may change as detail plans are finalized.

The Y has child care programs available from the day school ends until it begins again! Ask about Y Vacation Club, Y Fun Club, Before and After school programs.

YMCA CAMP HI-ROCK

We also offer an overnight camp experience, a 'home-away-from-home' where campers will grow as individuals, learn to sail and water ski on a beautiful private lake in the Berkshires. Attend an info session at the Y or visit camphirock.org for more information.

GRADE LEVEL GROUPS

ENTERING GRADE	CAMP GROUP
Pre K Ages 3, 4, 5	Discovery
Kindergarten - 1st	Greenhorns
2nd - 3rd	Explorers
4th - 6th	Pioneers

Age Range:
PreK-11 years old

WEEKLY THEMES

June 17-21	Show Us Camp Spirit
June 24-28	Super Hero Academy
July 1-5 (No July 4)	Stars & Stripes
July 8-12	Time Wrap
July 15-19	Mission Impossible
July 22-26	Color Wars
July 29-August 2	Celebrate the Good Times (Holiday Theme Week)
August 5-9	A Galaxy Far, Far Away
August 12-16	Wacky Water Week

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GENERAL CAMP INFORMATION

The Bridgeport Y Summer Day Camp is open Monday through Friday 8:00am to 4:00pm. We also offer PM extended care until 5:30pm each day for additional fee of $45.00 per week.

State regulations require that a fully completed and signed health form must be on file in the camp office for each camper. Health forms are due no later than one week prior to the first day of camp. No camper will be allowed to attend camp without current and complete forms.

Breakfast and lunch will be served daily in collaboration with the City of Bridgeport Thomas Carroll Nutrition Center. **Reminder: Campers will have to bring their own lunch first two weeks and last week of camp. Staff will send out reminders.**

Open house meet and greet events are on:
Saturday March 16 10 am -1 pm
Saturday April 27 10 am -1 pm
Saturday May 18 10 am -1 pm
Saturday June 1 10 am -1 pm
On these dates, please visit the camp and meet the staff. We will show you the camp and answer any questions that you may have about our program and the upcoming summer.

The Bridgeport YMCA Day Camp is licensed and regulated by the CT Office of Early Childhood. The Bridgeport YMCA Day Camp is a licensed provider for Care4Kids.

There is something for every child - all in one location! Your camper is sure to have fun, grow as a person, make friends and memories that will last a life time.

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. Be social, connect, and get healthier together. Call the Y Branch for more information. Financial Assistance may be available.

2019 CAMP FEES

Camp Choice	Weeks Offered	Member	Community Member
Youth Membership	Monthly	**$29.00**	N/A
Half Day Discovery (8am-1pm)	Weekly	$82.00	$94.00
Discovery	Weekly	$164.00	$188.00
Greenhorns	Weekly	$164.00	$188.00
Explorers	Weekly	$164.00	$188.00
Pioneers	Weekly	$164.00	$188.00

$25.00 non-refundable, non-transferrable registration fee per camper is required. $50.00 non-refundable, non-transferrable deposit per camper per week required upon registration.
EZ Pay Options are available. Payments can be made monthly, weekly, or biweekly prior to your child's start date of camp once deposits and fees have been paid. Final payments for each session are due the Wednesday prior to the start date of sessions of camp. Financial Assistance forms are due no later than May 1, 2019.

REGISTRATION STEPS

Step 1: Download, pickup, or have us mail you the registration packet. Download at BRIDGEPORTYMCA.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.