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STRATFORD YMCA
Camp Parrot Perch
2019 Summer Day Camp Brochure





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.

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We can't wait to see you at the Stratford Y Camp Parrot Perch! 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.



CAMP PARROT PERCH

Camp Parrot Perch provides children and teens a safe place to have fun, explore the outdoors, reconnect with old friends and meet new friends. Our campers engage in sharing, are taught about sportsmanship and most importantly, they learn about themselves. Our experienced camp staff will help your child discover their full potential.

At Camp Parrot Perch, your child will have **The Best Summer Ever!**, in a safe and fun environment. They will have opportunities to swim, participate in arts & crafts, indoor rainy day games and outdoor fun. Ask any of our camp alumni how to play Duck Duck Splash or Gaga Ball, watch their faces light up.

Participants in our CIT Program learn and develop leadership skills, act as peer role models for younger campers, and have the opportunity to share their talents with the entire camp community. It's a great experience that will prepare young teens for future work and leadership opportunities!



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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	Year Around Preschool
Kindergarten - 1st	Greenhorns
2nd - 3rd	Explorers
4th - 6th	Pioneers
7th - 9th	Adventurers
14 - 15 year olds	CIT - Counselor In Training

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
August 19-23	Best of the Best



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CONTACT INFORMATION

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GENERAL CAMP INFORMATION

The camp day begins at 9:00 am and ends at 4:00 pm. Pre Care runs from 7:15 - 9:00 am. Post Care runs from 4:00 - 6:00 pm.

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.

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

Please visit camp and meet the staff.

Ask specific questions and prepare for a positive experience.



We will show you the camp and answer any questions that you may have about camp and the upcoming summer.

Stratford YMCA Camp Parrot Perch is a licensed day camp with the Connecticut Office of Early Childhood. Camp Parrot Perch is a licensed provider for Care4Kids.

Looking for something for your 3 or 4 year old? The Stratford YMCA offers full-year preschool. Join us during the summer when we switch to camp mode offering many age appropriate summer activities for this group.

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
Pre Care	All	\$45.00	\$70.00
Post Care	All	\$45.00	\$70.00
Greenhorn (grade k-1)	All	\$165.00	\$250.00
Explorer	All	\$165.00	\$250.00
Pioneer	All	\$165.00	\$250.00
Adventurer	All	\$205.00	\$310.00
CIT	All	\$135.00	\$205.00

\$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 stratfordymca.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.