

# TO THE PARENTS AND GUARDIANS OF YMCA CAMP HANES DAY CAMPERS:

Thank you for enrolling your child in our Summer Day Camp program. Inside this packet you will find information regarding the procedures and practices of our YMCA Day Camp program. We look upon everything we do in camp through the eyes of a parent. Safety, fun, and growth opportunities are our greatest focus. We want your child to be ready to make new friends, try new activities, and grow while having fun in a positive environment.

To ensure we are providing the best possible care, we ask you complete paperwork when you register your camper. If you need to update your camper's medical form, health history form, or update us on any changed health information please contact our registrar at registrar@ymcanwnc.org.

These forms will provide us with the information needed to provide an unforgettable experience for your camper. If you have any questions or would like to discuss plans for your camper's success, please do not hesitate to contact me at 336 983 3131 or by email at m.mccallum@ymcanwnc.org.

This year we also have a new contact phone for Day Camp. You can call 743 444 3053 to get in touch with a Day Camp staff member for pick-up, drop-offs, and any other questions you might have.

Please look over this packet so we can begin to work together to create an exciting, unforgettable summer experience for your child

Sincerely, Monica McCallum Day Camp Program Director

## **CAMP HOURS AND FEES**

Hours: Monday-Friday

If you need to adjust your child's pick up or drop off location we ask that it be submitted in writing and handed to a counselor at the bus stop.

Buses leave each location promptly. If you miss the bus, parents may drop campers off at the Welcome Center at YMCA Camp Hanes. Please call the day camp duty phone at 743 444 3053 once you arrive at Camp Hanes.

Drop off times in Winston-Salem can be affected due to traffic. We try our best to arrive at the branches at listed times.

William G. White Y pickup: 6:45-7:00 AM Drop off: 5:30-6:00 PM\*\*
Robinhood Road YMCA: 6:50-7:05 AM Drop off: 5:30-6:00 PM\*\*

Camp Hanes drop off: 7:30-8:00 AM Pickup at camp: 4:45-5:30 PM\*\*

FOR ONLY SESSIONS 2, 4, and 6 traditional day campers (no teen leadership):

Kernersville YMCA pickup: 6:45-7:00 AM Drop off: 5:30-6:00 PM\*\*

<sup>\*\*</sup>Campers picked up after hours will be charged a late fee.

# **TRADITIONAL CAMP DATES (Ages 6-12)**

| Week      | Dates           |
|-----------|-----------------|
| Session 1 | June 13-17      |
| Session 2 | June 20-24      |
| Session 3 | June 27- July 1 |
| Session 4 | July 4-8        |
| Session 5 | July 11-15      |
| Session 6 | July 18-22      |
| Session 7 | July 25-29      |
| Session 8 | August 1- 5     |
| Session 9 | August 8-12     |

# **TEEN LEADER DATES (Ages 13-15)**

| Week | Dates (excluding weekends) |
|------|----------------------------|
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Session 1 June 13-July 1
Session 2 July 4- July 22
Session 3 July 25-Aug 12

#### **FEES PER SESSION:**

\$325 for potential members/\$300 for members of the YMCA (Day Camp) \$475 for potential members/\$450 for members of the YMCA (Teen Camp) We accept payment in cash, credit card, or check. Checks should be made payable to YMCA Camp Hanes.

## **Reservation Deposit and Refund Policy:**

A \$50.00 non-refundable deposit (except for accident, illness or if Camp Hanes must cancel the program to follow health and safety guidance) per session is required for the registration form to be processed and to reserve your child's spot. The deposit will be deducted from the total amount due. If a camper cannot attend due to an exposure to COVID-19 the session can be rescheduled or the deposit can be used for a future Camp Hanes or YMCA of NWNC program. Verification from a physician must accompany cancellations. Fees are due a month before attendance.

## Financial Assistance:

Assistance, based upon application, are available for those in need. Camp Hanes is open to all, regardless of race, ability, faith, gender identity, or sexual orientation. For more information, please contact our office manager at 336 983 3131 or visit our forms and additional information tab on our website.

ALL BALANCES MUST BE PAID IN FULL A MONTH BEFORE YOUR CAMPER'S SESSION STARTS!!

#### **ABSENTEE POLICY**

There are no refunds or prorated days for camper absences. If the camper is unable to attend a session due to injury, sickness, or family emergency we will do our best to reschedule, or a refund maybe issued on a case by case basis. Please reference the refund policy above.

## **AGES**

Traditional day camp is open to children, ages 6-12. All day campers must have completed at least one year of school.

Campers age 13–15 are eligible for our Leaders in Training program. It is a three week program focusing on growing campers leadership skills and giving back to day camp.

## **DAY CAMP GOAL**

Day Camp allows children to experience a wide variety of activities and adventures, which are used as tools to enhance a camper's self-esteem, confidence and ability to interact with others. Children will be placed in appropriate age groups where they will play and work together in a positive atmosphere. Well-trained staff members will stay with the children and provide them with adult role models throughout the week. Day Camp is designed to offer a well-balanced age appropriate activities to suit the interest and needs of all ages. Our goal is to ensure a safe, positive environment where children continue to learn and grow physically, mentally, and spiritually all summer long.

## **MEDICATION**

If your child requires medication during camp hours, you are required to please follow these steps:

- All medication must be handed over to staff in the morning.
- Please fill out a medication information sheet at the bus stop and clearly indicate times and dosage.
- Prescribed medication must be in original package, indicating child's name, prescription date, dosage, doctor's name, and name of drug.
- Only the camp nurse will administer medication to a child. NO CAMPER MAY CARRY MEDICATION WHILE AT CAMP.
- No over-the-counter medication will be given without the written consent of the child's guardian.
- If your child uses an EPI pen or inhaler, either you child or child's counselor will carry it during camp hours.

## **DAILY SCHEDULE**

| 7:50 am  | Unload Buses                              |
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| 8:00 am  | Breakfast                                 |
| 8:50 am  | Flag Pole (raising/ pledge of allegiance) |
| 9:00 am  | Get ready for the day (visit home base)   |
| 9:10 am  | Chapel                                    |
| 9:30 am  | Activity 1                                |
| 10:45 am | Activity 2                                |
| 11:55 am | Flag Pole                                 |
| 12:00 pm | Lunch                                     |
| 1:00 pm  | Siesta/ Pool (dependent on age groups)    |
| 1:45 pm  | Pool/ Siesta                              |
| 3:00 pm  | Activity 3                                |
| 4:20 pm  | Apple Time Snack and Wrap Up              |
| 4:40 pm  | Load Buses                                |

## **ACTIVITIES**

A wide variety of activities will be offered throughout the summer. Each child will be given the opportunity to try a variety of activities and is encouraged, not forced, to do so. Our activities are developed to help each individual achieve a sense of accomplishment and raise self-esteem. Daily activities may include: swimming, archery, canoeing, diving boards, lake slide, water zip line, pool slides, sling shots, etc. Some activities may not be appropriate for each age group.

## **BUS PROCEDURES & RULES**

#### Drop-off

In the morning during drop off please remain in your car. We will follow North Carolina, CDC, and ACA guidelines for check-in procedure and covid practices. Once the camper is checked in they should gather their things and head onto the bus. Once campers get on the bus they will be asked to head to a seat. Every Monday morning a staff member will go over bus rules and expectations.

## Pick-up

In the afternoon, before campers can get off of the bus, the parent/ guardian must give counselors the code word on file. Once a counselor has received the code word the child will get off the bus and the child is free to leave.

## Pick up/ Drop off Change

In order to change pick up/drop off point, you must submit the change in writing to counselors at least one route prior to change. Before leaving camp in the afternoon, roll will be taken on each bus to ensure each camper is on the correct bus.

Camp counselors on each bus will have all contact information of campers in case of emergencies. In addition to the driver, any bus carrying campers will carry a camp staff member who has been trained in safety responsibilities and group management. An additional counselor will be present on buses in the event of a camper with any mental or physical disability. Campers are expected to follow rules of both bus driver and camp counselor during their trip to and from camp. Failure to follow bus rules will result in camper's expulsion from bus for duration of their week.

Volume and behavior will be maintained by the camp counselors on the bus. Fighting of any kind or profanity will not be tolerated and will be cause for immediate expulsion from the bus for the remainder of the week.

- 1. Campers will be asked to sit youngest to oldest (Front to back)
- 2. Masks must be worn on the bus and should be provided by the parent, although camp will have extras
- 3. No standing while bus is in motion
- 4. Keep hands and arms inside the bus
- 5. Do not throw objects of any kind out the windows
- 6. Campers must face forward while bus is in motion
- 7. Campers will not sit on top of the seats
- 8. Campers will respect driver, counselor, passengers, other motorists, and themselves.
- 9. Campers will keep noise under control while bus is in motion
- 10. Campers must remain on bus until signed out by parent or guardian
- 11. Emergency exit must remain closed unless an emergency occurs
- 12. Food and drink is permitted as long as trash is properly disposed of, please no snacks containing peanuts or tree nuts.
- 13. Fighting, teasing, or any type of bullying will not be permitted

Campers are allowed to enjoy snacks and beverages while on the bus. We do ask that snacks be peanut and tree nut free, following our camp policy. Please remind campers how important it is to never throw items out the window during bus rides and that everyone must wear masks while on the bus. A healthy snack will be provided to each camper at camp in the afternoon. It is a good idea to encourage campers to bring water bottles to fill up and use the bathroom before boarding the bus.

Our goal is to make the bus ride as enjoyable for campers as possible, thus games, books, toys, and electronic devices will be permitted on the bus, provided the campers understand and agree once at camp, electronic devices must be put away or given to the counselors for safekeeping. Camp Hanes will not be responsible for any lost or broken items, but we promise to search the camp high and low for any missing items!

## WHAT TO BRING TO CAMP:

- Wear casual comfortable clothes that you do not mind getting dirty
- Bathing Suit
- Closed Toe Shoes
- Water Shoes
- Towel
- Change of clothes
- Water Bottle
- Medication (if needed)
- Sunscreen
- Rain Gear
- Hat/Sunglasses

#### **DO NOT BRING:**

- Money (Friday our Camp Store will be open if campers would like to make purchases)
- Valuables
- Electronics
- Glass
- Weapons

## Dress

Comfortable, washable, and inexpensive clothes, campers WILL get dirty. Please send campers with a bathing suit, towel, and a spare change of clothes, just in case. Campers should be prepared for both wet and land activities each day.

#### **Shoes**

Shoes with rubber soles must be worn at all times while at Camp Hanes, except in and around the pool. Day Campers will not be permitted to hike nor do any high ropes or low rope elements in flip flops, sandals, or any shoe without proper ankle support! It may be a good idea to have both a pair of shoes for water and land activities.

## Rain gear

On rainy or colder days, please have your camper bring rainwear or a sweatshirt.

#### **Sunscreen**

Please send campers with the appropriate level of sunscreen. Camp keeps plenty of sun block handy and will make sure campers apply, reapply, and reapply throughout the day. Unless otherwise told by parents, counselors will insist campers wear sunscreen during aquatic activities.

#### Labels

Please label all personal items including clothing, sunscreen, towels, and backpacks. Day campers tend to misplace items during the day; labels will help ensure socks, underwear, goggles, shirts, and hats come home with campers.

#### **Water Bottles**

We supply campers with a water bottle on the first day. It is important for campers to keep up with their water bottle in order to stay hydrated during activities.

## WHAT NOT TO BRING

#### **Electronic devices**

IPads, video games, cell phones, etc. are not necessary at camp. Campers may use electronic devices on the bus in the mornings and afternoons, but not during camp activities. If a counselor sees electronic devices during the day they will take them and return those items to parents at the end of the day.

CAMP HANES DOES NOT ACCEPT RESPONSIBILITY FOR LOST, STOLEN, OR BROKEN PERSONAL BELONGINGS!

## Glass bottles

Glass breaks easily and becomes a safety issue, thus glass bottles are not permitted at camp.

NO WEAPONS OF ANY KIND!

## Other items

Animals/pets, money, jewelry, and other expensive items.
On Friday's our Camp Store will be open for campers to make purchases!

# **QUESTIONS?**

If you have any questions or concerns regarding our Summer Day Camp program, please contact Monica McCallum, our Day Camp Director at:

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