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#### Welcome to the #BESTSUMMEREVER!

The Beaufort–Jasper YMCA of the Lowcountry will host Traditional and Specialty Camps held at the Wardle Family YMCA located at 1801 Richmond Ave. Port Royal, SC.

**Registration:** YMCA members can register early for summer camps beginning **April 21st. On April 22nd**, registration will be open to the general public on a first come-first serve basis. There will be no online registration. You may register in person at our Port Royal Facility. If registering in person is not possible, you can call our main phone line 843–522–9622 and attempt to register however, please be aware that priority will be given to those who register in person.

Off site Locations: Coosa Ele. & Robert Smalls Leadership Academy

**Communication:** Please look out for a Camp Newsletter email each Friday to prepare families for the upcoming camp week. This is our way of communicating to be sure you are informed of schedules, themes, breakfast and lunch menus and any reminders. When registering, be sure to list an active email address to stay in loop of what's going on at camp! We will occasionally send out reminder memo's during pick up as well.

**Financial assistance:** Eligible individuals may receive financial assistance, subject to available funding for Traditional Camp only. Applications are found on our website under the 'join' tab. **You must apply for financial assistance & receive a status email from Y staff BEFORE registering for camp.** Financial Assistance is good for 2 years. Please contact the front desk staff, prior to registering so we can confirm that your scholarship amount is active. Please allow 7–10 business days for financial assistance paperwork to be processed. If you register for camp before your financial assistance has been approved, then you will be charged camp cancellation fees and you will need to register again (keep in mind that if camp is full with a wait list, when you start registration over you will be put on that wait list).

### **2025 Summer Camp Sessions**

Pre-Camp Days: June 4-6 (Available for campers to get acclimated to camp rules and schedule.)

Session 1: June 9–13 Session 5: July 7–11

Session 2: June 16–20 (No camp June 19th) Session 6: July 14–18

Session 3: June 23–27 Session 7: July 21–25

Session 4: June 30–July 4 (No camp July 4th) Session 8: July 28–Aug 1

#### **CAMP FEES:**

- In person one time camp registration: \$35/child
- Traditional Camp per week: \$140 Y member / \$185 non-member
- Specialty Camps: Range from \$150 Y member / \$200 non-member depending on the camp. There is no registration fee for Specialty Camps.
- Add-On "Extra Hours" for those in Specialty Camps: \$35/week (space is limited)
- The first 2 weeks of camp is due upon registration as well as the registration fee. All
  other payments will be scheduled 2 weeks at a time and a week in advance.

#### PAYMENT INFORMATION:

All Y Summer Camp payments are made through a pre-authorized credit card draft. You may choose your draft date however, all draft dates must be chosen at least 7 days prior to the start date. THERE ARE NO PAYMENTS MADE AT THE Y FRONT DESK after the initial registration (no exceptions). If you do not wish to provide us with your card information, you may pay all camp fees at once at the front desk or online.

**Changes:** There is a \$50 change fee per child, per session for any camp. Changes must be made a minimum of 10 days prior to the start of the camp week.

**Cancellations:** There is a \$50 cancellation fee per child, per session. Cancellations must be made a minimum of 10 days prior to the start of the camp week. You must fill out a camp cancellation form at the Y's front desk. There are no refunds or credits for camps registered for, but not attended.



YMCA members enjoy a significant discount on our programs including summer camp, please see the Y front desk staff BEFORE you register to compare pricing.

**Traditional Camp:** Youth (ages 5–12) in traditional camp will participate in a series of educational activities tied in with summer camp fun. All work and no play? Camp activities include: Swimming 2 days per week, nature activities, gym games, camp songs, group/camper choice activities like field games, dance, yoga, gaga pit, and more! Campers will take part in field trips. Parents will receive an emailed newsletter with details of location and cost, one week in advance.

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Sessions:	Traditional Camp Themes:			
Pre-Camp Days June 4–6	<b>Sportacular Homecoming Week:</b> Campers will "kick off" summer camp uniting with summer friends from near and far. Campers will represent their favorite college with shirts, hats and paraphernalia's. Get ready to compete in many different sports this week.			
1 June 9–13	<b>Carnival Week:</b> Step right up for a week of carnival excitement. Campers will enjoy obstacle courses, face painting, potato sack races and carnival games. This week promises non-stop fun and laughter.			
2 June 16–20 No camp June 19	<b>Shipwrecked:</b> Ahoy there, mateys! Get ready for a week long treasure hunt with pirate-themed activities and scavenger hunts galore. Do you have what it takes to find the hidden treasures? Campers will also have the opportunity to dress in character.			
3 June 23–27	Through the Decades: Travel back in time or to the futureshow off your futuristic or retro style! Come play games and enjoy crafts from the 70's, 80's, 90's and 2000's! Oh and did we mention a dance a party?!			
4 June 30–July 4 No camp July 4th	<b>Party in the USA:</b> Oh say can you seeanother amazing week of summer camp? We'll turn it into a party in the USA with fun games and patriotic themes!			
5 July 7–11	<b>Wet 'N Wild:</b> What better way to enjoy the warm summer than playing with water! Get ready to make a splash with fun water activities, from dashing over sprinklers to surfing across slip and slides. (It would be safe to pack a swimsuit, towel and water shoes everyday this week.)			
6 July 14–18	<b>Holiday Hoopla:</b> It's the most wonderful time of the year at camp! All of our holiday favorite activities will be packed into this week long celebration. Whether it's spooky or sparkly, joyful or jolly, you'll have a blast celebrating each day with your camp friends.			
7 July 21–25	<b>Superheroes &amp; Sidekicks:</b> Calling all superheroes! Campers will tap into their superpowers, create their own hero identities and team up with friends for action packed adventures. Get ready to save the day together!			
8 July 28–Aug 1	<b>Camp in the Cosmos:</b> Blast off into a fun-filled week where campers will be provided with an intergalactic experience right here at camp! From arts and crafts to field games, every activity will ignite curiosity and inspire a love for space exploration.			

Specialty Camps: All Specialty Camps run from 8;30 am-1 pm (earliest drop off is 7;00am) and include lunch, unless noted otherwise. Extra hours from (1-5;30 pm) are an additional \$30/per week per child (space is lim-

ited). Extra hours include swimming, field and gym games, reading enrichment and crafts.

### Session 1 (June 9-13)

**CLUB KARATE** Campers will learn basic martial art techniques, self defense and learn the history of martial art with Master Chuck Elias who is a 9th degree Chuck Norris System Black Belt. Campers will get the experience in doing fun drills while using karate weapons such as bo staff, nunchucks, ninja kama and other weapons.

Ages: 7-12. Fee: \$175 M/\$200 NM

#### Session 2 (June 16–20) No Camp June 19th

**PICKLEBALL CAMP** With pickleball being the number one fastest sport in the USA, this camp will provide you with all the skills necessary to jump into a game anywhere and join the craze. Campers will cover techniques like paddle grips, stroke development, hand eye coordination, serves, strategy, etiquette and more!

Ages: 7-12. Fee: \$150 M/\$175 NM

#### Session 3 (June 23-27)

**"MAD" SCIENTIST** The science camp motto is "Let's Go Explore" and will be guided by scientists from the University of South Carolina Beaufort who specialize in marine and coastal ecology and cell biology. The students will discover our Lowcountry through hands-on discovering and experimenting including a kayaking trip, making "elephant toothpaste", live animal exploration, and more. We will include multiple disciplines of science while providing an enriching environment for your children to grow, learn, and ask ALL the questions.

Ages: 8-12. Fee: \$150 M/\$175 NM

### Session 4 (June 30-July 4) No camp July 4th

**CAMP DIVA** Back by popular demand, from creating jewelry, manicures, art, decorating cupcakes, and a day out on the town with a picnic lunch and ice cream, this is a camp for all of your divas!

Ages: 5-12. Fee: \$150 M/\$175 NM





### Session 5 (July 7-11)

**TENNIS CAMP** Campers will be travel to Scheper Tennis Academy this week, located at the tennis courts in downtown Beaufort. From beginner to advanced tennis players, no matter what your skill level, everyone will receive professional instruction while having fun. Please bring your racket if you have one, if not we will provide!

AGES: 5-12. FEE: \$150 M/\$175 NM

#### SESSION 6 (July 14-18)

HAPPY ART STUDIO Campers will visit Ms. Billie art studio on Lady's Island and have a fun and learning experience in a variety of arts. Campers will learn how to draw dragons and mythical creatures and paint a unicorn. Campers will create mythical crafts such as a dragons, mobiles, seashell mermaids and sand bottles. Come and explore a roaring, magical time!

Ages: 7-12. Fee: \$175 M/\$200 NM

#### Session 7 (July 21–25)

**FLAG FOOTBALL** DOWN! SET! HIKE! Campers get ready for a basic training skills in football with Coach Shawn! Campers will train through warm-up conditioning, fundamental passing, catching, route running and learn simple plays. While sportsmanship and healthy competition is emphasized, we can assure you that your camper will have fun in a safe environment.

Ages: 7–12. Fee: \$150 M/\$175 NM

## Session 8 (July 28–Aug 1)

**SOCCER CAMP** Campers will develop sportsmanship and teamwork while improving their skill level in passing, dribbling, learning soccer techniques and improving their well being in strength and conditioning. This camp is led by coach Bruce, an experienced soccer player and coach at Bridges Prep, who looks forward to building relationships but most of all having fun!

Ages: 7-12. Fee: \$150 M/\$175 NM







### What To Bring to Camp?

Water bottle, healthy snack, bug spray (DEET Free), sunscreen, comfortable walking shoes, bathing suit, towel, plastic bag for wet clothes in a backpack or sturdy bag with campers name on it. The Y is not responsible for lost or stolen electronics, money or personal items.

### **Healthy Eating and Physical Activity (HEPA):**

At camp, each child will be provided with a healthy lunch and at least 60 minutes of physical activity daily. We are asking that campers come ready to exercise in comfortable walking shoes and that you pack one healthy snack for your camper. At the Y, we believe with your help, we can make a difference in your child's life to learn how to live a healthy lifestyle. All Y camps include a healthy breakfast and hot lunch! If packing your child's lunch, we ask that you keep it healthy with whole grains, fruit, veggies, 100% juice or water. Sample of a YMCA lunch served: Chicken alfredo, steamed broccoli, an apple, and 1% white/chocolate milk.



### Swim Lessons

There is a reason why the Y is referred to as America's Favorite Swim Instructor. During Y Swim Lessons, not only are you taught how to swim, but you also learn about yourself, about safety and rescue skills and about water activities you can enjoy for a lifetime. Instruction is caring and personalized. A variety of classes are available to meet your family's needs. Class size is determined by considering safety factors and the age of the participants, making sure classes don't get too big to be uncomfortable. Come swim with us today!

#### Y Members \$60 / Session • Non Members \$90 / Session

We are offering group swim lesson with both morning and evening lessons as long as your child is attending camp sessions for those weeks for 50% off.

#### **Campers Discounted Rate:**

Y Members \$30 / Session • Non Members \$45 / Session
For Campers Discounted Rate see:
Front Desk Staff: 843–522–9622
Aquatics Dir. Perri Flaherty p.flaherty@wardlefamilyymca.org

or

Aquatics Pro. Coord, Lou Bergen I, bergen@wardlefamilymca.org

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# 2025 Camp Schedule at a Glance

Session Dates:	TRADITIONAL CAMP	SPECIALTY CAMP	Extra Hours
Pre-Camp Days June 4-6	Sportacular Homecoming Week	No Specialty Camp	Extra Hours Included
SESSION 1 June 9–13	Carnival Week	Club Karate	
SESSION 2 June 16–20	<b>Shipwrecked</b>	Pickleball Camp	
SESSION 3 June 23–27	Through the Decades	"MAD" Scientist	
SESSION 4 June 30–July 4	Party in the USA	☐ Diva Camp	
SESSION 5 July 7–11	☐ Wet 'N Wild	Tennis Camp	0
SESSION 6 July 14–18	☐ Holiday Hoopla	Happy Art Studio	
SESSION 7 July 21–25	Superheroes & Sidekicks	Flag Football	
SESSION 8 July 28 – Aug 1	Camp in the Cosmos	■ Soccer Camp	

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#### **BEHAVIOR MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES**

It is the Y's goal to provide a healthy, safe and secure environment for all day camp participants. Children who attend the program are expected to follow the behavior guideline based on the Y's four core values and to interact appropriately in a group setting.

#### Behavior Guideline:

- We will care for ourselves and for those around us.
- · Honesty will be the basis for all relationships and interactions.
- We are responsible for our actions.
- · We respect each other and the environment.

#### When a camper/student does not follow the behavior guidelines, we will take the following steps:

- 1. Staff will redirect the camper/student to more appropriate behavior.
- The camper/student will be reminded of the behavior quidelines and rules, and a discussion will take place.
- 3. If the behavior persists, a parent or caregiver will be notified of the problem.
- 4. The staff will document the situation. This written documentation "Disciplinary Report" will include what the behavior problem is, what provoked the problem, and the corrective action taken.
- 5. Staff will follow up with a parent or caregiver for progress check.
- 6. If the problem persists, the Youth Development Director will be notified and will schedule a conference with a parent or care-giver, camper/student and staff. Documentations and notes can be reviewed.
- 7. If a camper/student's behavior at any time threatens the immediate safety of that child, other children or staff, the parent or caregiver may be notified and expected to pick up the child immediately.
- 8. If a problem persists and the camper/student continues to disrupt the day camp program, the Y reserves the right to suspend or expel the camper/student from the program.

## The following behaviors are not acceptable and may result in an immediate expulsion or suspension for the remainder of the current day and the next 3–5 days:

- Endangering the health and safety of the children or staff, members, and volunteers.
- Stealing or damaging Y or personal property.
- \* Acting in a lewd manner.
- Leaving the day camp program without permission. \* Continually disrupting the program.
- Refusing to follow the behavior guidelines or day camp rules.

If any of these behaviors persists, the Youth Development Director may suspend the camper/student a second time before expulsion. Immediate expulsion may occur if a camper/student is in possession of or using, tobacco, alcohol, illegal drugs, firecrackers, firearms, or explosives.

#### Parent/Caregiver Signature

I have reviewed the Behavior Management Guidelines. I understand and agree to all the terms presented in this document.

Acknowledgement of reading the Behavioral Management Guideline is included in the waiver. A signature is required during the registration process.