



CAMP CARR

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HUNTERDON

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PASSPORT  
TO  
SUMMER FUN

THE GREAT  
OUTDOORS



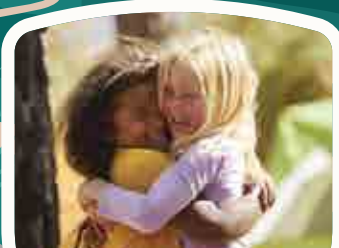
LEGENDARY  
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GOLD MEDAL  
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RIVER CROSSING YMCA

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# WELCOME TO 2026 SUMMER CAMP!

With a passport to fun, children at camp engage in a variety of activities which promote physical well-being and summer learning, in addition to social and emotional growth. Activities include swimming, field games, arts and crafts, group activities, field trips and other exciting events.

The Y has programs convenient to home and work, meeting your child's interests and abilities. Children can enroll for just a few weeks at camp, or spend the entire summer with us. Our YMCA camps feature:

- **EXPERIENCED AND CARING STAFF** who serve as positive role models
- **ACTIVITIES AND GAMES** that develop leadership skills and promote cultural diversity
- **EXPOSURE TO AGE APPROPRIATE**, challenging and fun experiences
- **SAFE, NURTURING ENVIRONMENT** that fosters fairness, teamwork and cooperation
- **FIELD TRIPS** to fun and educational locations
- **HEALTH**, exercise and nutrition education
- **FLEXIBLE SCHEDULING** with weekly half-day, full-day and extended care options at multiple locations



## WHAT FAMILIES ARE SAYING...

"I wanted to express my sincere gratitude for the incredible experience you provided this summer at Y Camp! Your dedication, enthusiasm and care made a profound impact on my boys! Your ability to create a fun, safe and engaging environment was truly remarkable. Thank you for going above and beyond to make this summer unforgettable for my boys!"

"ABSOLUTE ROCKSTARS!!!! Thank you to all of the counselors and leaders who inspire and keep our children safe every day throughout the summer. It is exhausting and the days are long, but you're making a difference in those little people's lives."

**REGISTRATION  
OPENS  
JANUARY 13, 2026!**

Mark your calendar! Camp registration begins January 13! Spots fill quickly, so early registration is encouraged.

**EARLY BIRD  
DISCOUNT**

When you register  
before **MAY 4**



**SIBLING DISCOUNT**

Families who register more than one child receive 10% off camp registrations between 9 AM-4 PM for each additional sibling.

**CLICK HERE** to complete the Sibling Discount Request Form.

**We are unable to honor the sibling discount after payments are drafted.**



# FAMILY RESOURCES

## Tuesdays: Dress Up!

Show your camp spirit by dressing up to match the weekly theme! From superheroes to wild west explorers, each Tuesday is a chance to get creative and join in the fun.



## Fridays: Events

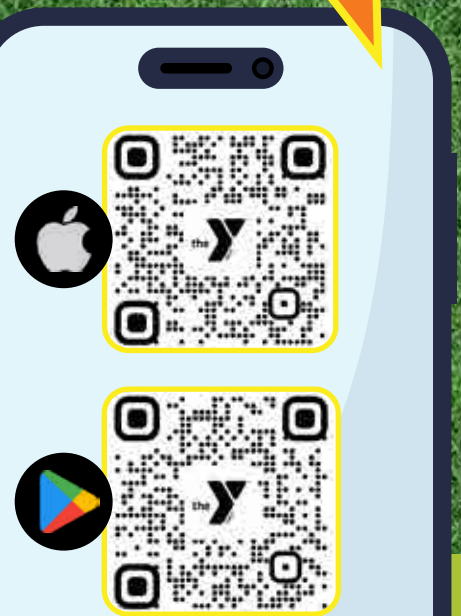
End the week on a high note with special games, challenges and theme-based activities that bring campers together for extra laughs and memories!



## STAY INFORMED WITH THE CAMP APP!

Complimentary camp app with push alerts, news, events, photos, hotsheets and more, all in one place for families.

To download, scan the QR code or visit [ymcarivercrossing.org](http://ymcarivercrossing.org)



DOWNLOAD THE APP TODAY



Our **FAMILY HANDBOOK** can answer your questions regarding registration and billing, who to contact with questions about your camp location and more.



## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE!

We are pleased to offer assistance to those who need a helping hand.

### NEW APPLICANTS

- Please submit a completed Financial Assistance Application along with support documentation.
- Applications can be found at [ymcarivercrossing.org/fa](http://ymcarivercrossing.org/fa).
- Please allow 3 weeks for processing. All documents must be submitted before processing begins.
- Register early to secure your spot.

### CURRENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FAMILIES

- Please proceed to our online registration software to begin your registration.
- **Please register early to secure your spot.**

For more information on financial assistance, contact Catherine Refice, Regional Director of Financial Assistance at [financialassistance@ymcarivercrossing.org](mailto:financialassistance@ymcarivercrossing.org).

**Financial Aid Application** due at least one month prior to the day you would like for your child to begin camp.

# WHY CAMP HUNTERDON?

Kids grow, build skills and gain self-confidence in a safe, values-based environment. Camp Hunterdon has so much to offer youth from preschool through 9th grade. What makes us the best choice for your child?

- **NEW HALF DAY SPECIALTY CAMPS:** mountain biking, campfire cooking, fishing and art in nature. Make it a full day by adding camp in the afternoon.
- **NEW HALF DAY OPTIONS** for 4 year olds. Choose 9 AM-12 PM or 12:30-3:30 PM.
- **NEW HALF DAY OPTIONS** for **ABILITY** Campers. Choose 9 AM-12 PM or 12:30-3:30 PM.
- **SAFE, ENJOYABLE AND AFFORDABLE** option for families.
- **FLEXIBLE SCHEDULING** with weekly full-day and extended before and aftercare options.
- **CAMP CARR** is located in **CLINTON TOWNSHIP**, with use of 26 wooded acres adjacent to the South Branch of the Raritan River as well as sports fields, archery range, hiking trails, a rock climbing wall and an outdoor pool.
- **WEEKLY THEMES**, activities and special events.
- **AGE-APPROPRIATE CURRICULUM** that encourages learning, exploration and fun!
- **CAMPERS** are **SWIM TESTED FOR SAFETY** and receive Safety Around Water instruction from Y swim instructors.
- **HIGHLY TRAINED** and **ENGAGED** camp staff.
- **FIELD TRIP** add-on options for 2 weeks! Register early to secure your spot!
- **PIZZA DAYS** are included with weekly tuition for full-day campers!
- **CONVENIENT CURBSIDE DROP-OFF** and **PICK-UP** procedures.
- **CAMP APP** for improved communication with **PUSH NOTIFICATIONS, PHOTOS** and **HOTSHEETS** all in one place to best serve families. See page 4.
- **ABILITY CAMP AVAILABLE** for campers who need smaller ratios for safety and success. See page 11.
- **AM DROP OFF:** 8:30-9:15 AM
- **PM PICKUP:** 3:30-4:15 PM



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Camp Carr Director

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JOIN JUST FOR  
THE SUMMER!

## SUMMER MEMBERSHIP



Purchase a **Y SUMMER MEMBERSHIP** and receive member pricing for camp and programs at **ALL** of our locations! Membership runs Jun 1-Aug 31.

**YOUTH: \$124**    **FAMILY 1: \$407**  
**TEEN: \$188**    **FAMILY 2: \$467**

## PARENT INFORMATION SESSIONS

1. Wed, January 14, 6 PM  
[ZOOM LINK](#)
2. Wed, February 25, 6 PM  
[ZOOM LINK](#)
3. Tues, March 10, 4 PM  
[ZOOM LINK](#)
4. Tues, April 21, 4 PM  
[ZOOM LINK](#)

**WELCOME TO CAMP NIGHT:  
MAY 29, 5-7 PM\***

\*Event is held in person at the camp location.



# CAMP EXPERIENCES



## ADVENTURE CAMP SWIM

- ALL AGE GROUPS: SWIM TWICE A DAY, ONCE IN MORNING AND ONCE IN AFTERNOON



## ADVENTURE CAMP: TRIP ADD ONS

- JULY 10: OAKWOOD LANES
- AUGUST 6: FRENCHTOWN ROLLER RINK  
(See camp grid for more details)

ADD ON!



## CAMP FIELD TRIP

- JULY 15: LET YOUR COLORS SHINE
- LOCATION: HUNTERDON COUNTY, NJ

FREE!



## 2026 CAMP THEMES

### Journey to the Wild West

June 15-19



### The Great Outdoors

June 22-26



### Star-Spangled 4th

June 29-July 3



### Science Shenanigans

July 6-10



### Sports Mania

July 13-17



### Seasons Alive!

July 20-24



### Legendary Heroes Week

July 27-31



### Battle of the Colors

August 3-7



### Era Explorers

August 10-14



### Adventure Carnival

August 17-21



### Gold Medal Summer

August 24-28



# CAMP OVERVIEW

Camp Carr offers a traditional outdoor camp experience that fosters learning, teamwork, caring and friendship. Each week, children enjoy age-appropriate activities like sports, games, arts, music, swimming, science and more!\*

## ADVENTURE CAMP

### GRADES K-7

Campers are grouped by grade to encourage skill-building as well as teamwork, sportsmanship, camaraderie and friendship. Campers will participate in a variety of activities each day, which may include PE, Art, Music, Science and more. Campers are grouped in the following categories, based on the grade they are entering in the fall: **JR. Camp 4 years**, **Thunderbirds K**, **Rangers 1<sup>ST</sup>**, **Scouts 2<sup>ND</sup>**, **Pathfinders 3<sup>RD</sup>**, **Explorers 4<sup>TH</sup>**, **Trailblazers 5<sup>TH</sup>** & **Pioneers 6-7<sup>TH</sup>**.



## COUNSELOR IN TRAINING

### 13-14 YEARS

The Counselor in Training (CIT) program helps teens grow as positive role models, working with staff and young campers to develop leadership and responsibility. New CITs will interview with Camp Leadership in late spring.

## SPECIALTY CAMPS

### GRADES K-7

Specialty Camp is the perfect camp for the child who loves to participate in creative activities such as arts and crafts, cooking, dance and more.

## PRIVATE SWIM LESSONS

### OPEN TO ALL AGES

Private swim lessons will be offered during or after camp each week this summer! A convenient option for families. Sign up while your child is at camp and our team will handle the details for a smooth, worry free experience.

Families will receive signup links on Mondays (one week before their registered camp week) to book up to two (30-minute) lessons per week on a first-come, first-served basis.

\$43 for members  
\$71 for non-members

For more details, contact Jen at [jstorz@ymcarivercrossing.org](mailto:jstorz@ymcarivercrossing.org)

## ABILITY CAMPS

### GRADES K-7

Available for campers who need smaller ratios for safety and success. See page 12 for more information.

## FIELD TRIPS

### GRADES K-7

Add extra excitement to summer with a Field Trip experience! Campers explore new places, enjoy fun activities, and make lasting memories with friends and counselors.



# ADVENTURE CAMP DESCRIPTIONS



## ADVENTURE CAMP

### GRADES K-7

Get ready for a summer filled with exploration, discovery and fun! In Adventure Camp, campers are grouped by grade to build friendships and develop confidence through a wide range of age-appropriate activities. Each day brings something new, from sports and team challenges to creative arts, music, science experiments and outdoor play.

Our campers learn through doing, developing teamwork, sportsmanship and camaraderie along the way. Groups are thoughtfully designed to encourage growth and connection within similar age ranges:

- Jr. Camp: 4 year olds
- Thunderbirds: Kindergarten
- Rangers: 1st Grade
- Scouts: 2nd Grade
- Pathfinders: 3rd Grade
- Explorers: 4th
- Trailblazers: 5th
- Pioneers: 6th–7th Grade



Each group follows a balanced schedule of activities designed to engage both mind and body, helping campers gain new skills, build confidence and make lasting memories.

## SAMPLE DAY CAMP SCHEDULE

9–9:45 AM	Opening Ceremonies & Introductions
9:45–10 AM	Snack
10–11:30 AM	Nature
11:30 AM–12 PM	Swim
12–12:45 PM	Lunch
12:45–1:15 PM	Art
1:15–1:45 PM	Team Sports
1:45–2:15 PM	Swim
2:15–2:45 PM	Snack
2:45–3:30 PM	Closing Ceremonies & Campers Choice
3:30–4:00 PM	Parent Pickup
4–6 PM	Late Care



# COUNSELOR IN TRAINING



## AGES 13-14 YEARS OLD

Counselors in Training will have the opportunity to make new friends, build teamwork skills and have a great time being a part of the YMCA summer. We are looking for youth that embody our core values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility. This program gives participants the opportunity to place the needs of others ahead of their own, share what they have learned and be a role model for younger campers.

## ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The first year CIT program has been developed to pay special attention to developing the leadership skills of participants. This program in comparison to second year CITs will focus on building leadership skills, learning about the developmental stages of children and exploring the benefits of working cooperatively with other youth.



Second year CITs spend a large portion of their day interacting with age-appropriate groups (campers 4 to 10 years old). They will review skills learned from the previous summer, along with taking part in new activities that enhance leadership skills.

All Counselor in Training Sessions are one week options.

## HOW TO BECOME A CIT

CIT candidates must apply. You will be contacted by listed email once your application has been reviewed so you can register.



Second year CITs may register at any point once registration is open. There is no need to reapply once you have been through the application process and participated as a CIT.

Please note that being part of the CIT program does not guarantee employment.

**LEARN MORE AND APPLY HERE!**



# SPECIALTY CAMP DESCRIPTIONS

## OUTDOOR CAMPFIRE COOKING CAMP

Get ready to unleash your inner chef at our Outdoor Campfire Cooking Camp! Campers will explore the joys of cooking in nature, learning how to prepare delicious meals over an open fire. From s'mores to gourmet dishes, each session includes hands-on cooking lessons, teamwork, and tasty tastings! Kids will gain confidence in their cooking skills, while developing a love for outdoor cooking and getting to enjoy their tasty creations.

## ART IN NATURE CAMP

Unleash your creativity at Art in Nature Camp! Campers will explore the beauty of the great outdoors while engaging in various art projects inspired by nature. From painting landscapes to crafting sculptures, each day offers new artistic adventures. Kids will learn about the environment and express themselves through art, all while building friendships and appreciating the wonders around them!



## FISHING CAMP

Cast your line and reel in the fun at Fishing Camp! Young anglers will learn the basics of fishing, including casting techniques, knot tying, and fish identification. Our expert instructors will guide campers through hands-on fishing experiences at the South Branch of the Raritan River, which runs alongside the camp property. Whether you're a beginner or have some experience, this camp is perfect for fostering a love of fishing and appreciation for aquatic ecosystems while making new friends! Please note that participants will need to bring their own fishing equipment.

## MOUNTAIN BIKING CAMP

Gear up for an adrenaline-packed week at Mountain Biking Camp! Campers will learn essential biking skills, from safety techniques to navigating trails. With a mix of fun games and challenging rides, kids will build confidence on two wheels while exploring the scenic trails out at Camp Carr. Experienced instructors will provide guidance, ensuring everyone enjoys the thrill of mountain biking, develops new skills and forms lasting friendships! Please note that participants will need to bring their own bikes and safety equipment. Campers must be able to ride on two wheels and on trails.



## ULTIMATE OUTDOOR ADVENTURE CAMP

Get ready for a week of nonstop outdoor excitement! Each day of Ultimate Outdoor Adventure Camp features a specific adventure and challenge designed to keep campers moving, exploring, and having fun. Campers will take part in a hiking scavenger hunt, tackle an outdoor obstacle course challenge, test their limits on the rock wall, and learn the basics of outdoor cooking, plus even more surprises along the way. Every activity builds confidence, teamwork, and a love for the outdoors—making each day a new adventure to conquer equipment. Campers must be able to ride on two wheels and on trails.

## ARCHERY CAMP

Our Archery Camp blends skill-based instruction with high-energy fun. Campers will learn proper form, focus, and technique as they build confidence and sharpen their archery skills. Then it's time to turn up the excitement with Archery Tag—a friendly competition that combines the intensity of dodgeball with the precision of archery. Using foam-tipped arrows, campers run, dodge, and strategize through the tag arena, hiding behind bunkers and working as a team. It's fast-paced, action-packed, and tons of fun—all in a safe, supervised environment. Ready...aim...play!

# ABILITY CAMP INFORMATION

Ability Camp is a "camp within a camp" designed for campers who, in order to be safe and successful, require smaller ratios than what you may find in a traditional camp environment. Counselors work to provide physical, emotional, behavior and cognitive support to help campers fully participate and succeed in outdoor/indoor camp activities.

## ADVENTURE CAMP

Ability Adventure Camp is a **fully mainstreamed, inclusive** program that provides support for children and adolescents entering Kindergarten through grade 7 with intellectual, developmental and physical disabilities or behavioral health concerns alongside their age-similar peers of all abilities.

## CAMPER READINESS

To be successful in Ability Camp, campers should be mainstreamed at least part of the day during school and be successful in a 1:3 ratio (K-grade 7). Campers also must be independent with toileting and feeding. Campers who require 1:1 support for any of the above are welcome at Ability Camp with the assistance of a personal care aid, RBT or other support person provided by the family.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

**An application is required for all Ability Summer Camp programs.** For more information about Ability summer programs visit our website at [ymcarivercrossing.org/camp/ability](http://ymcarivercrossing.org/camp/ability) or email Camp Carr Camp Leadership at [campcarr@ymcarivercrossing.org](mailto:campcarr@ymcarivercrossing.org).

Registration for Ability Camp programs is by application only. Parent input and involvement in planning and managing behaviors is also expected. Prior to enrolling in Ability Camp at the Y, parents/guardians must complete an intake application packet. Please see below for details regarding the application process.

1. Contact Camp Leadership Staff to obtain an application intake packet.
2. Complete the intake packet and return to camp leadership staff.
3. The application intake packet is reviewed by Camp Leadership Staff.

## FOR NEW CAMPERS\*

- Upon review, a new camper interview will be scheduled with camp leadership staff, at least one parent/guardian, and the camper present. Camp registration approval decision will be made after this meeting and then relayed to parents.

## FOR RETURNING CAMPERS\*\*

- Form is reviewed by camp leadership staff. Camp registration approval decision will be made once form is reviewed.
- If approved to register, proceed to the Welcome Center to complete the registration packet and camp selection grid. Financial and liability waivers will be signed at this time and camp payments scheduled.

\*Your child is considered a new camper if they have never attended an Ability Summer Camp program at River Crossing YMCA.



\*\*Your child is considered a returning camper if they have previously attended at least one full week of Ability Summer Camp at River Crossing YMCA.





**HELPFUL TIP:** Select the checkbox to save the weeks you register for camp.

**KEY**

= CAMP OFFERED

= NO CAMP OFFERED

GRADE Sept '26	TIME	MEMBER PRICE	NON MEMBER PRICE	JUNE 15-19	JUNE 22-26	JUNE 29 -JULY 3	JULY 6-10	JULY 13-17	JULY 20-24	JULY 27-31	AUGUST 3-7	AUGUST 10-14	AUGUST 17-21	AUGUST 24-27
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NO CAMP 8/28

### JUNIOR ADVENTURE DAY CAMPS

**PLEASE NOTE:** Campers must be in a Specialty camp to register for 1/2 day AM or PM Adventure Camp

<b>5 DAYS: FULL</b>	AGE 4	9 AM-4 PM	\$412	\$575										
<b>5 DAYS: AM</b>	AGE 4	9 AM-12 PM	\$227	\$318										8 AM-5 PM
<b>5 DAYS: PM</b>	AGE 4	12:30-3:30 PM	\$227	\$318										

### ADVENTURE DAY CAMPS

**PLEASE NOTE:** Campers must be in a Specialty camp to register for 1/2 day AM or PM Adventure Camp

<b>5 DAYS: FULL</b>	K-7	9 AM-4 PM	\$412	\$575										8 AM-5 PM
<b>5 DAYS: AM</b>	K-7	9 AM-12 PM	\$227	\$318										
<b>5 DAYS: PM</b>	K-7	12:30-3:30 PM	\$227	\$318										

### COUNSELOR IN TRAINING (CIT)

<b>CIT: 5 DAYS</b>	8-10	9 AM-4 PM	\$368	\$517										8 AM-5 PM
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### SPECIALTY CAMPS (5 DAY CAMP)

**PLEASE NOTE:** Campers participating in both AM and PM camps remain in our care during 12-12:30 PM for lunch. \*PM pick-up is between 3:30-4

<b>ULTIMATE OUTDOOR ADVENTURE</b>	1-7	SEE WEEK	\$239	\$335				9 AM-12 PM		12:30-3:30 PM		9 AM-12 PM		
<b>OUTDOOR CAMPFIRE COOKING</b>	2-7	SEE WEEK	\$239	\$335		12:30-3:30 PM				9 AM-12 PM		12:30-3:30 PM		
<b>FISHING</b>	2-7	9 AM-12 PM	\$239	\$335										
<b>ART IN NATURE</b>	K-3	SEE WEEK	\$239	\$335		9 AM-12 PM	12:30-3:30 PM				12:30-3:30 PM			
<b>MOUNTAIN BIKE</b>	2-7	12:30-3:30 PM	\$239	\$335										
<b>ARCHERY</b>	3-7	SEE WEEK	\$239	\$335				12:30-3:30 PM					9 AM-12 PM	

### ABILITY CAMPS (NEW HALF DAY OPTION)

<b>5 DAYS: FULL</b>	K-7	9 AM-4 PM	\$412	\$575										
<b>5 DAYS: AM</b>	K-7	9 AM-12 PM	\$227	\$318										
<b>5 DAYS: PM</b>	K-7	12:30-3:30 PM	\$227	\$318										

### EXTENDED CARE

<b>EARLY CARE: 5 DAYS</b>	ALL	7-9 AM	\$59	\$71										
<b>LATE CARE: 5 DAYS</b>	ALL	4-6 PM	\$59	\$71										

### FIELD TRIPS

**PLEASE NOTE:** Times may vary depending on trip

<b>ADVENTURE CAMP FIELD TRIPS</b>	AGE 6+	9 AM-4 PM	\$58	\$58				JULY 10 BOWLING				AUGUST 7 SKATING		
<b>LET YOUR COLORS SHINE</b>	AGE 6+	9 AM-4 PM	FREE	FREE					JULY 15					

Updated 5/4/26



**REGISTRATION OPENS JANUARY 13**

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**PLEASE NOTE:** No camp on Friday, August 28. Camp will be prorated.

# PHOTO GALLERY!

