

YMCA CAMP GREENKNOLL

Program Description



At YMCA Camp Greenknoll we offer several different programs to accommodate all campers ages 3 through 15.

Tribes and Units At YMCA Camp Greenknoll there are 19 tribes or groups. Campers are placed in tribes based on the grade they are entering in the fall and their gender. The only exception is our youngest group and the CITs, which are Co-ed. There are three units, Unit 1 which are the Pre-K through 2nd grade tribes, Unit 2 is, 3rd through 5th grade tribes and Unit 3, is 6th through 9th grade tribes. Each week each unit will have an all unit activity which is design to build strong relationships with other campers.

Fun Day Friday At Camp Greenknoll we have special days for special activities, what we like to call Fun day Fridays. Each Friday is assigned a specific theme to which we have a wide variety of activities to engage our campers in. Depending on the Friday campers could be participating in a Luau with a hula hoop contest, chase the golden snitch in a Greenknoll's version of Quidditch, race to the finish in a bounce house obstacle course for color wars or chill out on a giant inflatable water slide. Our Fun day Fridays give our campers the opportunity to interact with other campers and friends from different tribes and also gives them a chance for some friendly competition. Fridays are a chance to break out from routine and show some camp spirit.

Preschool Option For campers ages 3 and 4 we offer a half day option. Families may choose to enroll their campers in a full day or half day program. Those families wishing to enroll their child half day may choose the morning session only (9am- 12pm). Our preschool group is co-ed and all participants must be potty trained. The half day option is available for this age group only.

Regular Camp Program For campers ages 3 to 13 we offer our regular day camp program. During the regular camp day campers are grouped by gender and grade. Each group has a specific schedule of activities which they follow every day. Activities are age appropriate and may include Wood shop, Archery, Art and Drama, to name a few. Campers going into 6th grade and up will have the opportunity to choose from several different activities that they may want to participate in.

Every camper at YMCA Camp Greenknoll has the opportunity to have an instructional swim and a recreational swim. Campers are tested and place in a swim group based on their swimming ability. Campers that are tested into the deep end will receive a "deep end" bracelet and the same for shallow end swimmers. Campers that cannot touch the bottom of the shallow end or if the lifeguard deems it necessary, must wear a life vest.

Counselor in Training (CIT) Our counselor in training program is focuses on developing strong leaders through discussion, observation and supervised child interaction. This is a program for 14 and 15 years old serious about working with children and improving their leadership skills. CITs learn the value of team work, community service and decision making through activities and mentoring. The most important part of the CIT program is the hands on experience they will have working with campers while being guided by the CIT Coordinator. Candidates are required to fill out a CIT application. Once the application is received an interview will be scheduled.

Fun Day Fridays Themes

Week	Date	Theme	Description
Week 1	6/19	Game Show	Are you smarter than a 5th grader? Do you want to make a deal? Find out if you've got what it takes to take on our Greenknoll Game Show challenges!
Week 2	6/26	Let's Cruise	Come adventure with us as we *cruise* from port to port at Camp Greenknoll. Campers can stop at a spot of the cruise ship like the pool or game hall for some bingo. Or stop at a port of call, which will give them the chance to participate in games and activities from around the world.
Week 3	7/3	Party at the Y	Celebrate America's birthday with a classic American picnic and backyard game fun. Don't forget to show your pride by wearing red, white and blue and/or stars and stripes!
Week 4	7/10	Happy Holidays	Christmas is July? And Halloween, Easter and St. Patrick's Day too??? Join us at Camp Greenknoll as we celebrate the holidays in July. Feel free to dress up for your favorite holiday, whether it's an elf for Christmas or a power ranger for Halloween. Just please leave the weapons at home.
Week 5	7/17	Carnival	Come one, come all, to Camp Greenknoll's carnival! Play games, get prizes and have fun!
Week 6	7/24	Camp Show	Campers will spend the week creating a one of a kind performance, which they will present on Friday, July 28 th at 1:30pm. Parents are strongly encouraged to attend to see their camper in the spotlight.
Week 7	7/31	Summer Fiesta	Not just another Fun Day Party at YMCA Camp Greenknoll, but a Fiesta!
Week 8	8/7	Color Wars	The most anticipated and biggest rivalry of the summer, RED vs BLUE! Who will win this year's color wars??? Will Red, the defending champions win again, or will Blue triumph and steal the title? Campers, don't forget to wear your team's colors all week. But, most importantly don't forget to wear your teams color on Friday.
Week 9	8/14	Space	Blast off and explore the wonders of space.
Week 10	8/21	Amazing Race	Follows the clues, complete the challenges and get to the finish first. Can you work together as a team and figure out the clues before the time is up? Be prepared for some wacky challenges, just like in the TV show, you never know what you'll have to do to win.