



REGIONAL YMCA

2024

SUMMER CAMP

FIND YOUR CREATIVE SIDE.
FIND YOUR CAMP.



Family Memberships **SAVE \$50** off Camp for each week when you register by March 1, 2024.

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Important Dates For Camp Greenknoll

January 1 – 14

Early Access for Y Family Memberships
& Prior 2023 Campers

January 15

Registration Open for All

March 1

Deadline to Register for Y Family Membership Discount

March 11

Tuition Assistance Application Deadline

May 19

All cancellations/change requests due or
forfeit the \$35/week deposit

Special Membership Benefits

Family Memberships receive \$50 off each week of camp
when you reserve before March 1st!

Special Membership Offer

Join in January and pay \$0 Joiner's Fee. Plus Family Memberships
get priority registration for the first 2 weeks of camp registration,
January 1-14!

**To become a Family Member please visit
www.regionalyymca.org/join**

YMCA CAMP GREENKNOLL

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At YMCA Camp Greenknoll every camper, ages 3-15, is set up with the tools they need to build confidence, refine physical, emotional and leadership skills and create life-long relationships. We offer a wide range of activities to cater to every aspect of childhood growth. Our climbing tower, zip line and ropes courses foster physical development as well as confidence in completing difficult tasks. Our art, STEAM and nature programs foster creativity and expand knowledge. Our swimming programs designed from Y-USA's swimming curriculum help build lifesaving skills and confidence in the water. At YMCA Camp Greenknoll our campers and families return year after year because they know we are dedicated to making the camper experience the best it can be.

YMCA Camp Greenknoll raises the **B.A.R.** with our commitment to **B**elonging, **A**chieving goals and **R**elationship building. Join us and give your child the **Best Summer Ever!**

WEEKLY SESSIONS

| Week | Dates to Run | Theme |
|--------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Week 1 | June 17 | Tropical Paradise |
| Week 2 | June 24 | Wild, Wild, West |
| Week 3 | July 1 (Closed 7/4) | Party at the Y |
| Week 4 | July 8 | Holiday in July |
| Week 5 | July 15 | Camp Carnival |

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| Week 6 | July 22 | Camp Show |
| Week 7 | July 29 | Color Wars |
| Week 8 | August 5 | Olympics |
| Week 9 | August 12 | Bummer... The End of Summer Party |

AGES: 3 - 15 years (children must be must be toilet trained)

HOURS: Camp Hours 7:30 AM to 6:00 PM

FEES: One time registration fee: \$25 per child

RATE: \$321 per week (week 3 is \$257; closed July 4th)

Y Family Membership* Discount:

\$271 when you register by March 1

(week 3 is \$217; closed July 4th)

\$50 per week savings
for full family
memberships when you
reserve by March 1st!

JOIN TODAY!

DEPOSIT: \$35 per week, due at the time of registration. This is deducted from your weekly fee. (For example: If someone registers for 4 weeks of camp, the total due at the time of registration is \$165. The deposit will be deducted from your weekly fee.)

Master Card, Discover, Amex, Visa and debit cards accepted for your convenience.

Tuition Assistance available. Visit website for application. Due no later than March 11.

REGISTRATION: Register online at www.regionallymca.org. Paper registration forms are available by request only and do not guarantee placement as processing may cause delays.

* A Regional YMCA Full Family Membership is defined as 2 adults & children through 21 years of age or single parent and children through 21 years of age living in the same household. A full family membership must be active at the time of camp registration and remain active until August 31st to qualify for the discount.

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FUN:

Twice Daily Swim- Instructional Swim & Recreational Swim, Fun Day Fridays, Team Building, Arts & Crafts, STEAM, Nature & More

GROUPS:

YMCA Camp Greenknoll's campers are placed in groups based on the grade they will be entering in the fall. There are a limited amount of campers in each group.

- Pre-K to grade 4 will be Co-ed.
- Pre-K to 2nd grade groups have a minimum ratio of 1 staff to 9 campers.
- 3rd grade and up groups have a ratio of 1 staff to 12 campers.

Co-ed offers campers the chance to interact as they would in the real world at various stages of childhood. This helps to create healthy social interaction between the genders and there is a better understanding of the opposite gender. Campers can then build a real-world relationship and much-needed social skills for future development. This interaction means that campers learn to relate to each other not as members of the opposite gender, but as humans. Campers learn to be more respectful towards each other, all in a respectful environment.

We're committed to providing an environment that promotes diversity, inclusion and community, a gender-blind environment for friendships at camp, and later in life. Through shared experience, open communication, trust, and respect, campers form solid bonds with other campers. And this makes for the best kind of friends!

OUR GROUPS WILL BE:

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|----------------|----------|--------------------|
| • Pre- K | • Third | • Sixth |
| • Kindergarten | • Fourth | • Seventh |
| • First | • Fifth | • Eighth and Ninth |
| • Second | | |

There may be more than one group for a grade level depending on the number of campers registered.



FRIDAY FUN DAY THEMES!

PICK YOUR FAVORITE WEEK!

CAN'T DECIDE? ATTEND THEM ALL!

WEEK DATE THEME DESCRIPTION

| Weeks | Dates | Funday Friday | Comments |
|--------|------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Week 1 | 6/17/2024 | Tropical Paradise | Welcome to paradise! We're bringing the beach to the Y! What better way to splash into summer than a week full of tropical fun. Enjoy the first week at camp with loads of summer fun with our tropical paradise themed games. Learn hula, play some beach volleyball and much more! |
| Week 2 | 6/24/2024 | Wild, Wild, West | Yee-haw!! Welcome to the Wild West where campers will enjoy a week in the West they will never forget. How much gold can you and your group find around camp? |
| Week 3 | 7/01/2024 | Party In the USA | Let's party at YMCA Camp Greenknoll for our party at the Y week. Play backyard games and enjoy some friendly competition. |
| Week 4 | 7/08/2024 | Holidays in July | Get ready for a Spooktacular Halloween in this late summer adventure! Make Jack-o-Melons and wrap your counselor as the fiercest Mummy for our haunted week. Will you get tricked or treated? |
| Week 5 | 07/15/2024 | Carnival | Step right up! Come one, come all! Come to camp and have a ball! It's carnival week at Greenknoll; play games, win prizes, but most importantly, have fun & make memories with friends! |
| Week 6 | 07/22/2024 | Camp Show | A week of song, dance, memories, and hilarious outtakes. Come to our camper show week as each group creates its own unique performance to present. |
| Week 7 | 07/29/2024 | Color Wars | One of the most anticipated weeks of the summer, come join as us at Camp Greenknoll for our annual Red vs. Blue color wars! The blue team was able to hold onto the title last year. Will the red team show up and show out this year and come out on top? It all depends on you! Will you rise to the occasion? |
| Week 8 | 08/05/2024 | Olympics | Camp Greenknoll's version of the Olympics. Camp Olympics will have events such as balloon relay, track and field, and javelin throw - all ending with a medal ceremony. |
| Week 9 | 08/12/2024 | Bummer... The End of Summer | As we prepare for the start of the school year, get ready to celebrate the end of summer at Camp Greenknoll. We will revisit some of our favorite themes from the summer and introduce some other fun! It will be the biggest celebration yet! |

COUNSELOR IN TRAINING

(CIT) PROGRAM

GOAL OF PROGRAM

YMCA Camp Greenknoll's Counselor in Training (CIT) Program focuses on developing strong leaders through discussion, observation, and supervised interaction with campers. This is a program for 14 and 15 year olds who are interested in working with children or just want to build their leadership skills while working in a team oriented environment.

The goal of YMCA Camp Greenknoll's Counselor-in-Training Program is to help young adults build leadership skills, learn the value of teamwork and exercise their decision making skills through activities and mentoring. Our Counselor-In-Training program combines the fun of camp with leadership and on-the-job training. The CIT program is a unique opportunity for motivated young adults to develop the necessary skills to be role models for children.

WHAT CITs CAN EXPECT

CITs spend part of their day enjoying a range of activities and part of their day learning about responsibility and professionalism by directly working with camp groups and assisting with activities.

CIT will receive Community Service hours for the time they spend volunteering in a group or time spent helping with a special activity at camp.

The program is limited to 12 CITs per week. First come, first serve.

AGES

14 and 15 year olds

FEES:

\$249 per week (4th July Prorated at \$199)

- Family Membership* Discount: \$199 when you register by March 1 (4th July Prorated at \$160)

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GREENKNOLL GATORS

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GOAL OF PROGRAM

The Greenknoll Gators Camp Swim Team is a great way to get involved with swimming without having to give up something else! It's also an opportunity for YMCA campers to strengthen their swimming skills in a fun environment. Each week, swimmers work on developing stroke techniques and water safety. The Gators Swim Team is part of the Stateline Swim League. They are led by members of the Mako Swim Club coaching staff and will swim in the outdoor pool.

SESSIONS

Gator Season June 17 - July 25* (closed 7/4)

AGES

6 - 16 years (children must have completed Kindergarten). Can swim 25 yards without stopping

HOURS

Monday - Thursday from 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

FEES \$275

Full session payment due at time of registration.

Master Card, Discover, Amex, Visa, and debit cards accepted for your convenience.

REGISTRATION FOR GATORS OPENS:

Members: 4/1

Non-Members 4/8



YMCA SUMMER CLUB AT GRASSY PLAIN

YMCA CHILDREN'S CENTER, 57 GRASSY PLAIN STREET, BETHEL

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GOAL OF PROGRAM

At Grassy Plain Summer Club, summer is the time for ADVENTURE, EXPLORATION and FUN! Our **FAB**ulous program centers on three areas proven to impact kids' development: **F**riendship, **A**ccomplishment and **B**elonging.

Our highly trained staff helps campers ages 5-12 realize that the Y is a place where they belong and can be themselves while trying new things, building new skills and making new friends. Campers are encouraged to pursue their interests through daily activities and theme weeks culminating with an in-house special enrichment program or an inflatable amusement such as the ever-popular 18' water slide. There are opportunities to connect with nature and spend time outside being physically active, participating in experiences that influence lifelong healthy habits and also opportunities to keep skills fresh all summer long with fun, engaging literacy and math activities. There are opportunities to foster campers' creative abilities such as Art, Drama and Writing, and ones to inspire wonder and ignite creativity through weekly STEAM projects. But most importantly, there are opportunities to reconnect with the simple joys of being a kid: Laughing, Singing, Dancing, Crafting, Discovering, Swinging, Sliding, Hiking, Playing and more!

At Grassy Plain Summer Club, the recreational and educational activities offered daily nurture the potential in every camper, building self-esteem, leadership skills, lasting friendships and treasured memories. Be a part of our community! Sign up for one week or all of them; either way your child will have THE BEST SUMMER EVER!

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| Week 5 | July 15 | Symphony of Senses |
| Week 6 | July 22 | Ultimate Survivor |
| Week 7 | July 29 | Cooking Wars |
| Week 8 | August 5 | Mad Science |
| Week 9 | August 12 | Camp's Got Talent |

AGES 5 - 12 years (children must be must be toilet trained)

HOURS AND FEES

Camp Hours 7:30 AM to 5:30 PM

One time registration fee \$40.00

Weekly Fee: \$295 per week (week 3 Closed July 4th \$236)

Master Card, Discover, Amex, Visa and debit cards accepted for your convenience,

Tuition Assistance available. Visit website for application. Due no later than April 30.

WHY CHOOSE SUMMER CLUB AT GRASSY PLAIN:

- State Licensed year round Center equipped with air conditioning
- Literacy and math games/activities
- Spacious classrooms/Two large playgrounds & large field
- Engaging STEAM projects
- Arts and crafts
- Gardening Program with Friday Vegetable Stand
- Fun Camp Days like a Jell-O Eating Contest, Dress-up Days & every Friday is Super Soaker Day!
- Focus on fitness/nutrition

REGISTRATION DATES FOR SUMMER CLUB

February 1, 2024 Priority registration for children currently enrolled in any program at the Y.

March 1, 2024 Registration for all new campers.



FRIDAY FUN DAY THEMES!

PICK YOUR FAVORITE WEEK! CAN'T DECIDE? ATTEND THEM ALL!

| WEEK | DATE | THEME | DESCRIPTION |
|--------|------------|---------------------------|--|
| Week 1 | 6/17/2024 | Welcome Back to camp Week | Welcome back campers! Make some new friends and reconnect with old! |
| Week 2 | 6/24/2024 | Game Show Mania! | Let's Make a Deal, Family Feud, Debbiegories, and Minute to Win It! A week of game shows and fun. |
| Week 3 | 7/01/2024 | Color Wars | Our most anticipated week of fun! Campers decorate their room to win the coveted prize. |
| Week 4 | 7/08/2024 | Splashtacular! | All things water this week, including the water slide! Bring your bathing suit. |
| Week 5 | 07/15/2024 | Symphony of the 5 Senses | Come explore your senses. Taste test, Can you guess that sound?, Touch Box and more! |
| Week 6 | 07/22/2024 | Ultimate Survivor | The immunity is up for grabs! Campers will compete in a variety of challenges to win prizes. Don't forget the gross food challenge! |
| Week 7 | 07/29/2024 | Cooking Wars | Campers will be given the same set of ingredients and BAM! What can they make? A distinguished panel of judges will decide which recipe is best. |
| Week 8 | 08/05/2024 | Mad Science | Our annual egg drop and daily STEAM experiments will engage our young scientists. Which eggs will survive the fall? |
| Week 9 | 08/12/2024 | Camp's Got Talent | Campers will spend the week honing their talents. Families are invited to our end of the year talent show! |

A SAFE PLACE FOR LITTLE ONES

2-HOURS OF EXPLORATION
3-DAYS A WEEK

SPECIALTY SUMMER PROGRAMS 2024

AGES:

2 – 4 YEARS OLD

* toilet training not required

These camps are great for tiny campers who might not be quite ready for a full camp experience but are ready to start slow! Each will have a different theme for weekly learning and activities.

DAYS: TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY

TIME: 9:30 – 11:30 AM

PLACE: ANNEX BUILDING

THEMES:

- HAPPY CAMPERS | JUNE 25-27
- NO CLASS | WEEK OF JULY 4
- SUPERHERO ACADEMY | JUL 9-11
- MINI CHEFS | JUL 16 -18
- SUMMER SAFARI | JUL 23 - 25
- CREATIVE ARTIST | JUL 30 - AUG 1
- UNDER THE SEA | AUG 6 -8

Space is limited to 12 children.

For program descriptions visit our website or call Kariana for details!



RESERVE
YOUR SPOT
TODAY



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|------------|------------|
| MEMBER | \$100/week |
| NON-MEMBER | \$150/week |

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REGIONAL YMCA OF WESTERN CONNECTICUT SUMMER CAMPS

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YMCA CAMP GREENKNOLL

GATORS CAMP SWIM TEAM

TODDLER SPECIALITY CAMPS

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SUMMER CLUB AT GRASSY PLAIN

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