



Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to the Owen County Family YMCA Summer Break Camp. We are happy to have your child in attendance and look forward to a fun and productive summer!

Please have your child at The Y no later than 9:00am ready to begin Summer Camp. If your child will be late or absent please inform a staff member as soon as possible. A lunch that does not need refrigeration will need to be supplied on a daily basis unless otherwise noted on the field trip schedule. Afternoon snacks will be provided. Your child will also need to bring a swimsuit and towel. Camp kids will swim most days in the facility pool. Also, kids will need to bring or wear tennis shoes so that they can effectively participate in active games and sports. If your child is unable to participate in swimming or physical activity please provide he or she with a note and inform morning staff. Any medication needed can be left with camp staff member but please provide written instructions on administration of such medication. Payment and/or registration for summer camp can be done on a weekly basis. Due to enrollment numbers payments must be received by Friday for the following week of camp.

Recently the Y was able to purchase our own transportation! This will allow our camp to experience a variety of different field trips in and around the community. Attached to this letter is a calendar outlining field trips for the summer. Weekly field trips will be on Tuesdays for ages 5-8 and Thursdays for ages 9-12. Other trips within a close proximity will include all ages such as the weekly library program and certain trips to McCormick’s Creek State Park. All trips are subject to change based on weather, camp enrollment or third party cancellations. Please note the departure and arrival times of the field trips which are provided on the attached calendar.

Our camps along with the after school program have adopted a behavior tracking system using similar principles as the area school system does. Positioned in the room will be a chart with the camper’s name. Behind each name is a green, yellow and red card. The card color represents child’s behavior for that given day. Green being no issues, yellow representing slight problem and red meaning there was a major behavior issue resulting in loss of participation time (timeout). Campers will also be rewarded for good behavior by placing a colored popsicle stick in the pocket behind their name. The colors will represent the core values practiced here at The Y. Red for caring, yellow for respect, blue for honesty and green for responsibility. Campers will have the opportunity to exchange their sticks for different types of prizes and treats. Campers will also be rewarded at the end of the month if their card has not been flipped to yellow more than four times and/or flipped to red twice within that month. Our staff will work closely with parents to help keep children on the right track. If there are any concerns please feel free to call, text, email or schedule to meet with camp/Y staff.

Thank you,

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