



#### **MEET THE CAMP DIRECTOR:**

#### **Ashley Nimmo**

I am so happy to be back as Camp Director at The Greater Morristown YMCA in 2024. This summer we hope to continue our focus on building relationships, making new friends, listening to, and learning from one another, as we create the magic that is the signature ingredient of a successful Camp program. As we work to keep campers, staff, and counselors safe, we hope to make meaningful connections with your children in the great outdoors.

#### **OUR Y-ZONE CAMP STAFF:**

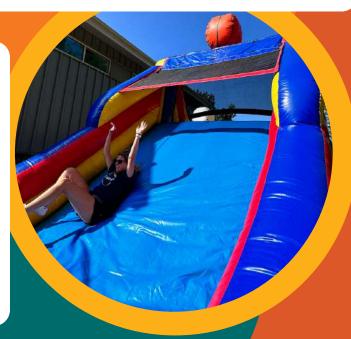
Staff are selected on the basis of their maturity, skill level and enthusiasm working with children. Many are camper alumni. Program Specialists are individuals with skills in their specific program areas including Art, Cooking and STEAM. Counselors are college and high school students, usually with previous camp or child care experience.

#### Y-ZONE CAMPERS (Grades 1-6)

Our philosophy is simple: put play in their day! Young campers are interested in fun, activities, exploring, laughing and making friends. At Camp Y-Zone we are interested in that too - plus safety, caring, learning, growing, and bringing out the best in your child. We've created the perfect blend in our Y-Zone Camp so your child will have fun all summer long.

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### Y-ZONE CAMP ESSENTIALS

# Each camper must bring a <u>backpack</u> everyday containing the following items:

- Each camper MUST wear their camp t-shirt and sneakers everyday (no Crocs, open toed shoes, flip flops).
- Clean bathing suit and towel for swimming each day.
- Sunscreen:
  - We recommend that you apply sunscreen to your camper each morning before drop off.
  - We will assist your camper in reapplying their sunscreen throughout the day.
- Nutritious Lunch:
  - NO heat up lunches:
    - We do not have materials to accommodate heat up lunches.
    - See page 6 for lunch ordering options.
  - NO nuts:
    - We are a NUT FREE camp! Please ensure lunch and snacks are NUT FREE (we recommend sending in at least one snack per day).
  - Utensils
  - Every Friday we offer our campers a free pizza lunch!
    - Pizza, water, plates and napkins are provided.
- Snack Shack:
  - An afternoon ice pop or specialty snack (ice cream sandwiches, etc.) is provided every afternoon. Each camper is allowed to buy additional snacks from our assorted selection for \$1.00 per item.
- Extra Clothes:
  - We recommend packing extra shorts, socks, T-Shirt (does not need to be a camp shirt), underwear.
- Water Bottle:
  - Please provide your camper with a reusable water bottle. Campers can refill their bottles using our water fountains.

#### LABEL EVERYTHING!

#### **Lost and Found:**

We understand that all items might not make it home every day after camp. We will have a dedicated area for lost/found items for the campers to retrieve their belongings.

# Y-ZONE CAMP DAILY SCHEDULE

Our Camp Day is 8:00am - 5:00pm

#### **Drop off is from 8:00 - 9:00am:**

Grades 1–3 will be dropped off at the Y–Zone (25 Saddle Rd). Grades 4–6 will be dropped off at Angela's Place (6 Saddle Rd).

Please note that after 9:00am you must accompany your camper(s) to the Y-Zone front desk to sign them in.

#### **Morning Camp Activities:**

9:00 - 11:00am, these activities include: Outdoor Play Area, The Field, Gymnasium, Arts, STEAM, Cooking.

#### Lunch:

Lunch will be held during two time blocks, 12:00 – 12:30pm or 12:45 – 1:15pm depending on your camper(s) daily schedule. Lunch will be held outside at our shaded picnic tables. Alternate locations are available for weather changes. (No Fuss Lunch / Third Party Vendor – See page 6)

#### **Afternoon Camp Activities:**

1:30 – 4:00pm these activities include: Outdoor Play Area, The Field, Gymnasium, Arts, STEAM, Cooking.

#### **Swimming:**

Open Swim will be offered <u>twice per week</u> to your camper(s) at the YMCA's indoor pool. ALL campers will be required to take a swim check administered by YMCA Lifeguard staff regardless of prior swim knowledge. Camp Staff will supervise the campers as well as YMCA Lifeguards.

Campers will also have the opportunity to visit Streeter Pool in Morristown depending on their schedules.

#### Afternoon Snack:

Campers will enjoy a free daily afternoon ice pop or specialty snack. Additional snacks will be available for \$1.00. Those with dietary restrictions will have appropriate snacks available.

#### Pick up is from 4:00 – 5:00 pm:

Grades 1-3 will be picked up at the Y-Zone (25 Saddle Rd). Grades 4-6 will be picked up at Angela's Place (6 Saddle Rd).

Please note, if you are picking up your camper before 4:00pm you MUST call the Y-Zone front desk at: 973.998.9199

# Y-ZONE CAMP CALENDAR

**JUNE 2024** 

	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
į	WELCOME		Y-Zone	Y-Zone		FUN FRIDAY	
i	WEEK		Mini Golf	Mini Golf		FOAM	
						PARTY	

JULY 2024

		30				
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
30 HOLIDAY EXTRAVAGENZA	1	2 AMC MOVIES 1–2nd grade	3 AMC MOVIES 3–6th grade	<sup>4</sup> 4TH OF JULY NO CAMP	5 FUN FRIDAY WATERSLIDE	6
7 ZOOTOPIA	8	9 TURTLE BACK ZOO 1–2nd grade	10 TURTLE BACK ZOO 3-6th grade	11	12 FUN FRIDAY PETTING ZOO	13
WILD & WACKY	15	16 WILD WEST CITY 1–2 <mark>nd grade</mark>	17 WILD WEST CITY 3- <mark>6th grade</mark>	18	19 FUN FRIDAY WATERSLIDE	20
21 COLOR WARS	22	23 PARK Field Day 1-3rd grade	24 PARK Field Day 4–6th grade	25	26 FUN FRIDAY BRAIN SHOW	27
28 HOMETOWN HEROS	29	30 B <mark>OWLING</mark> 1–2nd grade	31 SOMERSET HILLS BASEBALL 3-6th grade			

AUGUST 2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
HOMETOWN HEROS				1	2 FUN FRIDAY FIRE, EMS, POLICE	3
4 CAMPS GOT TALENT	5	6 ROLLER RINK 1st - 2nd	7 ROLLER RINK 3rd - 6th	8	9 FUN FRIDAY TALENT SHOW	10
11 FOREVER FRIENDS	12 WATERSLIDE	13	14 POOL COMPETITIONS	15	1 <b>&amp;UN FRIDAY</b> END OF SUMMER PARTY	17

## **RATES & FEES**

#### Y-Zone Summer 2024 Camp Rates

	5 Days	4 Days	3 Days
Weekly Rate:	\$426	\$386	\$336
Sibling Weekly Rate:	\$416	\$376	\$326

The Camp Sibling Discount Code is: siblingcamp2024. Please note that the discount only applies to any <u>additional</u> siblings that are registered for the same week.

#### **Camp T-Shirts:**

Camp t-shirts must be worn every day. Every camper must register for their complimentary t-shirts. Extra t-shirts can be purchased for \$10/each and can only be ordered until June 1st, 2024. An email will be sent regarding a pickup date and time. You must hand in your child's Universal Health from to receive ordered shirts.

#### **Financial Assistance:**

Limited financial aid is available to those who qualify and live in our service area. Financial aid applications will ONLY be accepted from Tuesday, January 23rd to close of business on Monday, February 5th. Incomplete applications will not be considered. There are NO exceptions. <a href="Applications and paperwork can only be picked up at the YMCA's Member Services Desk">Member Services Desk</a> (79 Horsehill Road) and must be dropped off at the same location.

#### **Payment Information:**

A 50% deposit of camp fees is required at the time of registration. The remaining 50% is due before May 1st, 2024. After May 1, 2024, 100% of the bill is due and will be automatically collected through your online account. A non-refundable registration fee of \$75 is required for ALL campers. NOTE: WE CANNOT REFUND THE COST OF CAMP FOR THE VOLUNTARY WITHDRAWAL OF A CAMPER DUE TO ILLNESS, VACATION, OR OTHER ABSENCE (TEMPORARY OR PERMANENT), OR FOR THE DISMISSAL / EXPULSION OF A CAMPER.

#### Lunch:

Campers must bring a labeled bagged lunch (nut free) Mondays-Thursdays to camp. On Friday, all campers will receive FREE pizza and a specialty snack. Third party vendors such as Door Dash and Uber Eats are not allowed.

NEW: An alternative lunch option is available through "No Fuss Lunch", an online ordering food provider, Mondays-Thursdays. Information will be emailed to you prior to the start of camp. Lunches will be individually labeled and delivered to camp daily. You may choose the days, lunch entree, and any additional sides, conveniently online. Allergy free foods are available. Lunch is not available on Field Trip Days.

#### Late Fee:

After 5:00pm, there will be a \$35 fee for every 15 minutes you are late picking up your child.

#### Any and All Registration Changes/Additions:

There will be a change fee of \$40 for each requested change to your camper's registration. Please note, we cannot accommodate every change and therefore changes are not guaranteed. All requests must be submitted to the Camp Director, in writing, 2 weeks in advance for the scheduled week your child is attending. Please email this information to camp@morristownymca.org. This allows our staff to process the requests in a timely and efficient manner.

# **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

#### Communication:

- Call us at the Y-Zone front desk: 973.988.9199 or email at camp@morristownymca.org
- During the camp season you can message us on ProCare (if the question/concern is time sensitive, we recommend calling the number provided as we are often busy with the campers and may not see your message in a timely manner)
- Weekly Newsletters are sent each Friday with recaps of events and activities along with pictures of photo friendly campers.

#### **ProCare:**

- Use your ProCare app to sign your camper(s) in and out.
- If someone other than a parent is going to pick up your camper(s), please let us know ahead of time even if the person is already an emergency contact. They need to be an authorized pick-up for your child. We need to know the name of the individual picking up ahead of the pickup time and will ask for an ID to confirm.



#### ProCare (cont'd):

- If you don't have an account, you will receive an email with a sign-up code allowing you to create one prior to the start of camp.
- Please reach out to us if you have any questions or have not received an email to set up your account by Friday, June 14th so we can assist you before Monday, June 24th (first day of camp).

#### **Camp Paperwork:**

- Campers will not be allowed to attend camp until we receive a copy of their current Universal Health Form and Immunization records. Forms must be signed and dated by your Pediatrician's office and sent by June 1st to: camp@morristownymca.org.
- The Universal Health form must be valid for the whole duration your child is at camp (dated less than a year from the last day they are attending camp).
- All incident/accident reports MUST be reviewed/signed off by a parent on the day that the event occurs. For incidents/accidents, you will be notified either through your ProCare account messages, or a camp supervisor will call you.

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (CONT'D)



#### **Field Trips:**

1st & 2nd Grade field trips are scheduled for Tuesdays. 3rd-6th Grade field trips are scheduled for Wednesdays. If you do not want your child to attend any scheduled field trip days, please note you will need to provide alternative childcare. Please keep this in mind when making your registration choices.

#### **Electives:**

Each week campers will have the opportunity to enjoy specialized electives like: Art, Cooking, STEAM, and other structured physical activities. These electives are led by specially trained camp staff to ensure maximum enrichment opportunities.

#### **Allergies:**

If your child has allergies, asthma, or other needs that requires us to have medication, Epi-Pen or inhaler, we need this medication in its original box along with a current action plan for its use by the first day of camp. All documentation and medication must be handed to a member of the Camp Admin Team at the Y-Zone.

#### What Not to Bring:

Items of value to you or your child; toy guns; personal items such as cell phones, smart watches, tablets, Pokémon trading cards, toys, etc.

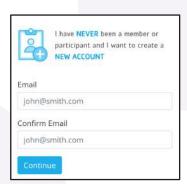
## **HOW TO REGISTER**

Please visit our website, greatermorristownymca.org, and click on the top right tab that says "My Account".



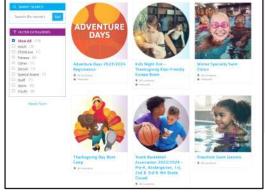
You will be directed to our online portal where you can log into your account (if you have previously used our system) or create a new account. If your child does not have a membership and did not attend summer camp previously, please create a \*Camp Registration Non-Member Membership Type. Once you input all the information for the child(ren) you are registering, you can complete the online account. The email used to sign up your child will be the user email going forward.





Once the account is logged into, go to programs and find the program image labeled for 2024 Summer Camp. Once located please click that image.

Please read all information on the Summer Camp program page before beginning the registration process.



When selecting more than one week please check all the boxes for the weeks you would like to register. Next, scroll down and click on the "Register Selected Button". Choose the days for the week you selected along with the other required information on the form and then proceed.

Use the separate t-shirt link to register for your complimentary shirt. Please include any additional t-shirts you may want to purchase using this link.

After reviewing all the information provided online and in the brochure, if you have any issues registering, please email camp@morristownymca.org and someone will get back to you in a timely manner. Please note: we reserve the right to revoke any registrations during our final review of camp rosters.

# WE CANNOT WAIT TO START THIS EXCITING AND FUN-FILLED SUMMER WITH YOU!



Location: 25 Saddle Road, Cedar Knolls, NJ

Phone: 973.998.9199

Email: camp@morristownymca.org

Our camp facilities are located just around the corner from our main YMCA building (1/2 mile) in Cedar Knolls and just 10 minutes from 287. The Greater Morristown YMCA (79 Horsehill Road); The Richard F. Blake Children's Center (65 Horsehill Road); 6 Saddle Road; the Y-Zone Youth Annex (25 Saddle Road).

#### **IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:**

January 23rd, 2024 Registration Opens at 9am

May 1st, 2024
Full Payment Due

Due to the increase in student enrollment throughout all of our childcare centers, we are unable to open the Little Owls (3 & 4 year olds) and Kinder Camp (Kindergarten aged) program to the general public this summer. We apologize in advance for any inconvenience.

#### The Greater Morristown YMCA

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