

2019 Guide to Summer Day Camp

Camp Kelley

May 20–July 26

Dear Families:

Thank you for your interest in our day camp. We operate the longest running day camp in our area and are proud to say that camp has served many generations over the past 83 years. We are excited to offer your child an unforgettable summer experience. We have carefully designed our camp to provide age appropriate activities that are sure to help your child(ren) develop both mentally and physically.

Camp Age Groups

Cubs---Ages 5-6

Indians—Ages 7-8

Braves---Ages 9-10

Warriors---Ages 11-13

Leaders in Training—Ages 14-15 (volunteer program that requires an interview process)

Camp Weeks

Week 1- May 20-24

Week 2- May 28-31 (no camp on Monday, May 27th)

Week 3- June 3-7

Week 4- June 10-14

Week 5- June 17-21

Week 6- June 24-28

No Camp July 1-5

Week 7- July 8-12

Week 8- July 15-19

Week 9- July 22-26

Organizational Chart

Directors: leaders assigned supervisory responsibilities over all staff members, campers, and LIT's.

Unit Head: leaders assigned supervisory responsibilities of one age group.

New for 2019: Enrichment Coordinator: leader assigned supervisory responsibilities over enrichment operations of day camp.

New for 2019: Youth & Family Program Coordinator: leader assigned supervisory responsibilities over Leader in Training program.

Counselor: leaders must have experience working with children, be at least 16 years old, be able to execute the daily plan, create activities to meet the needs of the age group, coordinate options and league games, conduct daily devotions, and have a desire to learn leadership skills.

Leader in Training: leaders must be 14 years old, have a desire to learn leadership skills necessary for any job, assist with the creation of activities for their group, coordinate options and league games, conduct daily devotions, and pass an aquatic safety skills course.

All camp employees participate in comprehensive staff trainings and undergo a Criminal Background Check. All camp employees are CPR and First Aid certified. All staff members are high school and college students/adults with camping or recreational experience.

Camp Ratios

Cubs= 1 counselor to 10 campers

Indians= 1 counselor to 10 campers

Braves= 1 counselor to 12 campers

Warriors= 1 counselor to 12 campers

Camp Availability

Cubs= 100 campers per day

Indians=100 campers per day

Braves=80 campers per day

Warriors= 65 campers per day

Discipline Policy

Camp Directors reserve the right to dismiss a child from camp at any time if the child's behavior is disruptive to the camp program. Our goal is to provide a safe, fun place for all campers. In the event of a discipline problem, parents will be notified by phone and consequences will occur immediately.

Camp Payment Options

- **Full Week Rate= \$115 per week**
 - **Rate for campers who will attend 4 or 5 days in a registered week.**
 - Participants can pay in full at the time of registration or pay a \$25 deposit per child to hold a spot for the week they plan to attend. Participants must pay a \$25 deposit for each week they wish to secure a spot. The deposits are deducted from the weekly fee. **New for 2019: Weekly fees are drafted from a debit/credit card on file the Friday before a child attends camp.**
 - Example: Child wants to attend weeks 3 and 4. The deposit total would be \$50 (\$25 for each week). The Friday before week 3 the remaining balance for week 3 will be drafted (\$115-\$25 deposit=\$90). The Friday before week 4 the remaining balance for week 4 will be drafted (\$115-\$25 deposit=\$90).

- **Half Week Rate=\$70 for up to 3 days**
 - Participants must pay in full at the time of registration.
 - There is not a deposit option for the half week rate.
 - The cancelation and change policy remain the same.
 - Campers can come any three days of the week(s) they are registered for.
 - Campers who attend more than 3 days will be charged the remaining balance for the full week rate on the 4th day they attend.
 - Campers who wish to attend more than the 3 days will need to see the business office for capacity details. Campers will only be allowed to extend their week if camp has open spots.

Refund & Change Policy

Camp Kelley operates for 9 weeks during the summer. We recommend signing your child up in advance for the weeks they will attend. Spaces will be limited. Parents are welcome to make changes to weeks registered or request a refund. Change and refund request must be made in the business office during office hours, and families must submit change or refund forms by 12pm on Thursdays.

Camp Registration

New for 2019: All registration will be online. Please register online at www.athensymca.org, or register online at the Athens YMCA business office Monday-Friday, 9 am to 6 pm.

Camp Registration

- Registration for camp begins Monday April 8, 2019. **Please note: There is a \$25 non-refundable registration fee per child at the time of registration. The registration fee will be waived for Athens YMCA family membership holders.**
- Family membership holders will be awarded \$15 off the weekly camp fee per child per week. No discount applied to half week registration.

Camp Kelley Financial Aid

- Financial aid will be granted based on a lottery system.
- Anyone interested in applying for financial aid for summer camp must submit ONE ticket per family between March 4th and March 22nd.
- Any family is welcome to apply for financial aid. Spaces are limited; however, the Y is in a position to help many families.

IF YOU ARE SELECTED FROM THE LOTTERY

- Parents or guardians will receive an email by Friday, March 29th if they are selected from the lottery. If you do not receive an email, you were not selected for 2019 financial aid.
- **New for 2019: All financial assistance registration will be online. Details will be sent to you if you are selected.**
- **New for 2019: Applicants selected from the lottery must be prepared to pay a onetime, non-refundable \$25 registration fee per child, and \$25 deposits for each week they wish to register for. (Athens YMCA family members are excluded from the registration fee.)**

Additional Information

- Drop off time 7:50am.
- All campers will receive basic swim instruction from certified swim instructors two times per week. Our goal is for all campers to know basic aquatic skills by the end of their time with us this summer and for all campers to pass the swim test.
- Snacks will be provided 2 times per day. The morning snack will be a healthy fruit-based snack. The afternoon snack will be a variety of chips, crackers, and fruit-based snacks. Candy will be an option on Fridays.

- The Athens Housing Authority will no longer host the summer feeding program. We are looking for alternatives to provide lunches during the summer. As of now, each child will have to bring a lunch with them during all weeks of summer camp.
- The Y will include enrichment opportunities in camp. These will include STEAM, literacy, and arts.

Camp Daily Schedules

- Please refer to the 2018 schedules as examples of the daily schedule. These will be updated closer to 2019-day camp.