

2018 Guide to Summer Day Camp
Camp Kelley
May 21–July 27

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 82 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 21-25

Week 2- May 29-June 1 (no camp on Monday May 28th)

Week 3- June 4-8

Week 4- June 11-15

Week 5- June 18-22

Week 6- June 25-29

No Camp July 2-6

Week 7- July 9-13

Week 8- July 16-20

Week 9- July 23-27

Organizational Chart

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

Athletic Director: leader assigned supervisory responsibilities over specialty athletic camps, and assists in overall operations of day camp.

Development & Marketing Coordinator: leader assigned supervisory responsibilities and assists in overall operations of day camp.

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

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 to hold a spot in 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. Weekly fees are due the Friday before a child attends camp.
 - Example: Family 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 must be paid (\$115-\$25 deposit=\$90). The Friday before week 4 the remaining balance for week 4 must be paid (\$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 remains 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

Early Bird Registration

- **For Athens YMCA family memberships only (membership must be in good standing for at least 3 months)**
- Athens YMCA family members who register for camp between March 26 and April 6 will receive early bird registration benefits
 - Registration fee of \$25 per child waived
 - 15% off of full week rates. This only applies to the full weeks registered for during the early bird registration period. Weeks added after this period will be the full rate.
- Athens YMCA family members who wish to apply for financial aid should not register during the early bird period. See information below.

Normal Camp Registration

- Registration for camp begins Monday April 9, 2018. **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.**
- **Please register online at www.athensymca.org**, or submit registration forms to the business office Monday-Friday 9am-6pm.
- Registration forms must be submitted with the registration fee and at least one week selected.

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 5th and March 23rd.
- Any family is welcome to apply for financial aid. Spaces are limited; however, the Y is in a position to help many families.
- Family members who wish to apply for financial aid should not register during the early bird period.

IF YOU ARE SELECTED FROM THE LOTTERY

- Parents or guardians will receive an email by Friday March 30th if they are selected from the lottery. If you do not receive an email, you were not selected for 2018 financial aid.
- Applications are only processed for the weeks a \$10 deposit has secured. If your child attends an additional week, you will be responsible for the full payment of that week. Example: A \$10 deposit is paid for week one. The application will only be processed for week 1. If you decide you need additional weeks you will be responsible for the full week rate.
- Applications are only processed once.
- Applications will be reviewed by the CEO and Development Director only.
- All applicants selected will receive a letter with reduced camp fees listed. The reduction depends on the documents included in the application.
- Applications selected from the lottery must be submitted with registration form(s) attached. One financial aid application is needed per family. One camp registration form is needed per child in the family. **Please note: The financial aid application list all required documents that must be submitted with the application. Copies of documents cannot be made at the YMCA and documents submitted with the application will not be returned.**
- Applicants selected from the lottery must be prepared to pay a onetime, non-refundable \$25 registration fee per child, and \$10 deposits for each week they wish to register for. (Athens YMCA family members are excluded from the registration fee.)
- Families who do not want to accept the weekly rate offered are encouraged to let the YMCA know immediately and any deposits will be refunded. Refunds are forfeited the day camp begins.
- The \$10 deposit will be deducted from the new weekly rate. Full payments are due the Friday before the camper is scheduled to attend.

IF YOU ARE NOT SELECTED FROM THE LOTTERY

- Families are encouraged to check back with the Y in May to see if any financial aid opportunities have opened up.
- Families are encouraged to register for the weeks of camp needed and secure a spot with a deposit. If the financial aid process is reopened, the deposit will go towards the awarded amount.

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 Y will not have any information of the summer feeding program until April of 2018.

Camp Daily Schedules

- Please refer to the 2017 schedules as examples of the daily schedule. These will be updated closer to 2018 day camp.