

YOUNG DAY SCHOOL SUMMER CAMP 2025



**Young World Day Camp
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REGISTER ONLINE!**

Thank you for your interest in the Young World Day Camp. We have been providing memorable summer camp experiences for children since 1972. In this booklet, you will find the following information about our camp programs.

1. Camp Programs
2. Description of Activities
3. Parent information
4. Behavior Policy

If you should have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us at camp@ywdschool.org.

-All Campers receive a YWDC tee shirt and backpack. Each camper should come dressed in his or her bathing suit with a towel and change of clothes in his or her backpack. Tee or Polo shirts, shorts, and sneakers are recommended dress for comfort and freedom of movement.

Hours

-Full-Day Camp begins at 9 a.m. and ends at 3 p.m.

-Half-Day Camper can choose to be picked up at noon or join us for lunch* and recess by staying till one o'clock for an additional lunch fee of \$15 per day.

-Half-day campers can also add the whole afternoon for \$75. This fee includes the lunch hour.

*Parents provide lunch or can order lunch from B&G Bagels.

We are a nut-free facility.

Young World Day Camp

Spend the summer at Young World Day Camp. Our seven-week camp programs provide age-appropriate physical, social, intellectual growth, and development in a nurturing and safe environment. Our caring counselors and limited enrollment in our air-conditioned facility ensure a positive camp experience for your child.

We are pleased to offer the following camp programs:

Tadpoles- Two and three-year-olds not yet toilet trained AM Session only

Tadpoles will participate in water table play, art, physical education, sports class, outdoor recreation, and special events.

Traditional Camp- age 3-rising Kindergarteners

Traditional Campers will participate in swim lessons, art, physical education, sports class, outdoor recreation, and special events.

Camp II- 6 years (as of 12/31) – 3rd grade

Camp II campers will participate in the Camp II Activities Schedule, swim lessons sports class, and outdoor recreation.

Camp III- rising fourth, fifth and sixth grades

Camp III campers will participate in the Camp III Activities Schedule, swim lessons, sports class, and outdoor recreation.

CIT Counselor in Training – rising 6th through 8th grades

CIT campers will receive training in working with younger campers, learn all the skills needed to pass the Red Cross Lifeguarding course, and will take a babysitter certification course offered by the American Red Cross.

CIT Counselor in Training Graduate –

For CIT campers who are returning for a second year. CIT campers will practice the skills learned in their training course in various camp rooms and under the supervision of our lifeguards practicing their lifesaving skills. They will also take the American Red Cross online version of Adult, Child, and Baby First Aid/ CPR/AED course. *Please note this is an information only course. Skills demonstration, required for full certification, is not offered at camp.

Description of Activities:

Learn to Swim

Our salt filtered, heated, fully fenced in swimming pool is the perfect place to learn to swim or improve your child's existing swimming skills. Under the direction of a Red Cross certified Water Safety Instructor and a certified lifeguard, campers have daily swim lessons. Your child will progress at his or her own pace with the right amount of encouragement and success needed to become a confident swimmer. Swimming becomes a positive and meaningful experience as campers leave each lesson with a feeling of accomplishment. *For Tadpoles, not yet potty trained, water table play is substituted for swim lessons and takes place right outside the camp room.*

Art

Imagination abounds as our campers design three-dimensional crafts each day. The daily crafts, inspired by our theme of the week, encourage creativity and individuality.

Cooperative Structured Physical Education

Every day campers will be able to participate in age-appropriate, directed physical activities designed to foster cooperation with teammates, sportsmanship, and basic physical skills using the CATCH curriculum for Physical Education.

Outdoor Recreation

Campers have playground time where they are free to enjoy our outdoor equipment. Our fenced-in play area includes a rock climbing wall, three slides, swings, a balance beam, hanging rings, and hand-over-hand bars on a rubber chip surface designed to provide maximum safety. Endless creativity, exercise, and fun await your child during this time.

Special Events

Every week Special Events are planned to enrich our campers' development and camp experience. Scheduled Special events vary year to year but may include Water Games, Parades, Limbo Contests, Seed Planting, and much more.

Rainy Day Activities

Rainy days will not spoil our fun. On inclement days we will spend our time indoors painting, cooking, making crafts, playing indoor games, storytelling, singing, and reading. Swim Safety lessons are held indoors during stormy weather.

Camp II and Camp III Description of Activities Schedule:

Garden

Campers will learn what it takes to keep a garden producing healthy vegetables and herbs; soil, water, sun, care, and time. They will use gardening tools, test the soil for nutrients, and see first-hand how composting can benefit plants. They will learn when vegetables are ripe, how much water they need, and how weather conditions affect their needs and their taste. When ripe, these vegetables will be picked and used during their cooking time.

Cooking

Campers will enjoy cooking lessons. We will teach the basics of cooking with an emphasis on child-friendly health foods the campers can make themselves. When vegetables from the garden are harvested, young chefs practice farm to table with recipes utilizing the harvest.

STEAM

Campers will explore during these hands-on lessons focusing on the STEAM principles of science, technology, engineering, art, and math. Using the steps of the scientific method: ask a question, make observations, propose a hypothesis, design an experiment to test the hypothesis, test the hypothesis and accept or reject the hypothesis, the camper will gain a deeper understanding of the world around them.

Arts and Crafts

Each week we will focus on a different type of art material for the campers to use to create whatever they desire with suggestions and samples to help. Beading, clay, stamping, decoupage, paint, foil, wax, and dye are some of the materials we will be working with.

Swim *

Monday through Thursday campers will receive a morning and afternoon lesson in our salt-filtered, heated pool. On Fridays, campers will enjoy a morning and afternoon "free" swim time.

* Camp II, Camp III, and CIT campers also participate in Sports Class Lessons and age-appropriate special events.

CIT Camp- Counselor in Training at YWDC program

The YWDC-CIT program is designed for campers entering 7th and 8th grade in the fall. CIT campers will receive training in working with younger campers and still experience the fun activities they enjoy at YWDC. The goal is to allow them to enjoy their summer while encouraging their growing sense of responsibility and maturity.

CIT Campers will...

Assist

CIT campers will assist with younger campers during the morning camp session. They will help with craft time, physical movement, snack and story to see what it is like to work with young children will receiving guidance from the counselors and CIT Leader.

Junior Lifeguarding

CIT campers will learn all the skills needed to pass the Red Cross Lifeguarding course. Their instructor will break down the 30 hour program into daily lessons that will prepare them for the lifeguarding course when they are old enough to receive certification.

Certified Babysitter

CIT Campers will take a babysitter certification course offered by the American Red Cross (certification). This course will teach the CIT campers who are planning to babysit the knowledge and skills necessary to safely and responsibly give care for children and infants. This training will help participants to develop leadership skills; learn how to develop a babysitting business, keep themselves and others safe and help children behave; and learn about basic child care and basic first aid.

Be Prepared

CIT Campers will participate in the Red Cross' First Aid and Preparedness for Primary School and Families (no certification given) to learn how to identify an emergency and act accordingly.

Cooking

CIT Campers will learn basic cooking skills and kitchen safety.

*CIT campers will also participate in Soccer lessons and age appropriate special events.

CIT campers will also qualify for a letter of recommendation from the Young World Day Camp for a Mother's helper position or for High School entrance applications.

Camp Parent Information

We are looking forward to a fun-filled summer. Here are a few reminders to help things run smoothly this summer. Your camper's day is broken up into several sections. Each camp group has its daily schedule posted on their door.

Full Camp Tuition is due before your child's first scheduled day.

Every camper will be required to hand in the following forms:

1. Universal Child Health Record (or Doctor's office equivalent)
2. Immunization Schedule
3. Tuition Express form
4. Camp Contract

All forms can be found on our school website www.youngworlddayschool.org.

Arrival:

When dropping your camper off for camp **please remain in your car**, a counselor will come to escort your child into the camp building. Please make two lines and do not switch lanes. Please have him/her unbuckled with bag and lunch in hand. If you need to get out of your car, please park in a parking spot.

Dismissal:

You will be given a car tag with your child's name on it. Please keep the car tags in full view until your child is in your car. **It is important that you remain in your car at all times.** If you should need to buckle your child, please pull forward into one of the empty parking spots. If your tag should become lost, contact the office by email, camp@ywdschool.org or phone at 201-327-3888 and we will give you a new one.

Name Tags:

All campers will be provided with a name tag. The name tags will have the camper's name as well as his/her group name. The name tags will be attached to your camper's backpack. Name tags will aid the staff and campers in learning one another's names.

Swim Time:

To prepare for swim time, **please send your camper in his/her swimsuit with a shirt and shorts over it.** Leave a pair of dry underwear and any additional clothes along with a towel in his/her camp backpack. Campers should have socks and sneakers for play times, but also a pool shoe that can get wet and is easy to put on to wear to and from the pool.

Please be sure to label your camper's name on everything with a permanent marker, including shoes, socks, and towels. Things may get mixed up when changing young children in a hurry. Please only send towels the size of a standard bath towel. Beach towels tend to be a bit long and can be easily tripped over.

Some children may be very fearful of the water. We feel it is important for these children to overcome his/her fear, learn to swim, and safely have fun. Your children will be carefully escorted poolside. The instructor/lifeguard will greet them and ensure them he/she will not be forced to do anything. The group remains seated until invited into the pool.

The campers will learn to blow bubbles, use kickboards, familiarize themselves with different arm strokes, back float, and safely jump off the wall. A child will never be forced into the pool. We encourage reluctant campers to get his/her feet in and when the child is ready we hold them securely in the water. With a little time, the fearful child ends up loving it.

Lunch:

Please be sure to pack enough lunch for your camper. **Due to an increase in the number of children with a peanut or nut allergy, please do not pack any peanut butter or anything with nuts.** Water will be provided for those without a drink. Water bottles are refilled throughout the day. We do not allow candy at camp. **Thermoses are accepted. We cannot heat lunches.**

OTHER REMINDERS:

Sunscreen: We recommend applying waterproof sunscreen to your camper **before** his/her camp day begins. If your child stays all day and needs the counselor's help to reapply, please send in a note giving your permission.

You may want your child to wear a hat in the sun. Please do not forget his/her name on the inside and remind him/her that you would like them to wear it.

Sunglasses are not permitted. They can be dangerous if a child falls.

Medications: The **parent** must administer medication to complete a physician-assigned course during camp hours. Emergency and/or daily medication, however, may be handled differently. You must discuss your child's special needs with a director.

It is a good idea to remind your child to eat a big breakfast in the morning so they have a lot of energy for that camp day. Please remind them to use the bathroom before coming to camp.

Please notify us at once if your child has been diagnosed with a communicable disease so that we may take necessary precautions and, if advisable, notify other parents.

Policy on the Release of Children:

According to the Manual of Requirements for Child Care Centers:

1. Each child will only be released to custodial parents or persons authorized by the custodial parents or legal guardians.
2. Each child will only be released to persons authorized by the custodial parent to assume responsibility for the child in an emergency if the custodial parent cannot be reached.
3. The child will not be released to a non-custodial parent or other persons unless the custodial parent specifically authorizes the release in writing.
 - A. Written authorization must include name, phone number, address, date, and time of release. This information will be kept on file in the office.
 - B. The child's counselor and the office staff must be notified of who will pick up the child and the relationship of that person to that child.
4. Please be sure to provide the person picking up your child with your car tag and inform them of the driveway procedures.

Behavior Policy

We believe that a well-occupied child will behave appropriately. It is our goal to always have your child engaged in an age-appropriate activity that he/she can thoroughly enjoy. Our schedule is set up to allow for time to play, think creatively, learn, rest, and to eat in hopes of giving each child the opportunity to meet all of his/her needs.

Safety is always our top priority. With that in mind, we cannot allow any rough behavior. Tackling, wrestling, pushing, or pulling on another child can result in an injury. We try to avoid these behaviors in an effort to keep your child safe in the least restrictive environment as possible.

In the event of unfavorable behavior we will:

- First, remind the child of the behavior we would like to see and why.
- Second, we will try to engage the child in an alternate activity.
- Third, we will sit the child a few feet away from the other children where he/she can observe the behavior we would like to see. Then the counselor will explain why we would like the child to behave in a different manner and he/she will return to the group.

If your child needed to sit out, you will be told at dismissal. If you have any questions or concerns about this policy, please see the camp director as soon as possible.

POTTY-TRAINED POLICY

A child must be potty trained to enter our Three-Year-Old Program and to partake in Swimming Lessons.

Potty trained means:

- Be accident-free in regular underwear for a two-week daytime period
- The child can flush the toilet
- The child can pull up and down their own pants
- The child can use the restroom independently
- The child can wash their hands properly after using the toilet
- The child can wipe themselves
- The child does not wear pull-ups

Swim diapers are NOT PERMITTED in our pool.

YOUNG WORLD DAY CAMP REFUND POLICY

**Registration fee is not refundable under any and all circumstances.
Full payment of tuition must be made by the first day of camp.**

Camp tuition will be refunded if:

- The office is notified of unenrollment or days/weeks to be removed **on or before June 1st**. Tuition is refunded minus 5% processing fee.
- There is a government or local health department mandate closing the camp.

Camp tuition is not refundable due to illness, vacations, missed days, schedule changes.
Tuition will not be refunded after June 1.

There are no make-up days due to illness, vacations, or schedule changes.

CAMP SCHEDULE SHEET - 2025

Register online at www.youngworlddayschool.org

CAMP GROUPS:

Tadpoles (2-year-old) 9 am to 12 pm 3-year-old
4-year-old Kindergarten
Camp II* Camp III*
CIT
CIT Graduate (for campers who have completed the CIT training course)

TIMES OFFERED:

Morning...9 to 12 Afternoon...12 to 3 (Except Tadpoles) All Day 9 to 3

WEEKS OFFERED :

Wk. 1 (June 25-27)***
Wk. 2 (June 30-July 3)***
Wk. 3 (July 7-11)
Wk. 4 (July 14-18)
Wk. 5 (July 21-25)
Wk. 6 (July 28-August 1)
Wk. 7 (August 4-8)

PRICING:

2 wks. ½ day	\$ 810	5 wks. ½ day	\$ 1920
2 wks. AD	\$ 1610	5 wks. AD	\$ 3850
3 wks. ½ day	\$ 1160	6 wks. ½ day	\$ 2140
3 wks. AD	\$ 2310	6 wks. AD	\$ 4300
4 wks. ½ day	\$ 1540	7 wks. ½ day	\$ 2350
4 wks. AD	\$ 3080	7 wks. AD	\$ 4710

Please note the above pricing is for five days per week. If you prefer your Tadpole or 3-year old attend for 2, 3, or 4 half or full days, the fee is \$80 per half day.

ONLY TADPOLES AND 3-YEAR-OLD CAN SELECT LESS THAN FULL WEEK.

*** June 23, 24 and July 4 \$80 CREDIT per session

*Camp II, Camp III Materials fee \$15/week

*CIT Materials fee \$50

We also offer for your convenience (all groups):

Lunch 12 -1 pm \$15.00 daily

REGISTRATION FEE IS \$100.00 (Non-refundable and not applied to camp fee)

Potty-Training: All children, except Tadpoles, must be potty-trained in order to attend camp.

NO PULL-UPS ALLOWED

*It is understood and agreed that the amount of each payment made through Credit Card Authorization shall be subject to an additional administrative charge in the amount of 2.70% of the amount of each Visa, Mastercard, and Discover, American Express payment.
Fees cannot be prorated.*