



**GET A JUMP
ON SUMMER!**

**Eau Claire YMCA
2017 Summer Day Camp**

The Eau Claire YMCA’s day camps are designed to build healthy relationships among peers and with the environment. Parents of campers consistently report positive results: stronger friendships, decreased stress, and revitalized imaginations. Camp fosters a sense of belonging and guides kids into genuine self-discovery in a comfortable, exciting, and safe environment.



5 REASONS SUMMER CAMP IS GOOD FOR KIDS

- 1. ADVENTURE:** Summer camp is all about a variety of fun adventures and new experiences, especially exploring the outdoors.
- 2. HEALTHY FUN:** Camps offer fun, stimulating activities that engage the body and mind and help kids learn the importance of healthy eating habits.
- 3. PERSONAL GROWTH:** Campers have a chance to learn new skills and develop confidence and independence by taking on new responsibilities and challenges.
- 4. NEW FRIENDSHIPS:** Amidst the fun of camp games, songs, swimming, canoeing and talent shows, campers meet new friends and strengthen existing friendships.
- 5. MEMORIES:** Summer camp is an unforgettable experience that will give each camper memories that will last a lifetime.

WELCOME TO DAY CAMP 2017

The YMCA staff are excited to launch another great summer of camp offerings, and we’re glad that your child will be a part of the weekly experience. We recognize that when you register your child for camp that you are entrusting the care of your child to our dedicated staff. We have a mutual investment in making sure that your child’s physical, social and mental well-being is enriched through his or her YMCA camp experience.

Based on decades of camp administration, we know one thing that ensures a safe and memorable summer for all: communication between parents and staff. We welcome your insights and feedback to make sure the YMCA camp meets your child’s expectations. You may contact the director at autumn@eauclaireymca.org or 715-839-4608 if you have any questions or concerns.

On the following pages, you will find information on key topics that you and your child should review together to prepare for a fantastic summer!

Summer Membership Savings Why Join?

If your child is not yet a YMCA member, inquire about a youth membership in order to receive reduced camp fees.

As a Y member, you get more than just a great workout! The Y provides a healthy, safe and caring environment where you can enjoy activities with friends and family. The atmosphere at the Y also cultivates strength, instills core values and brings back balance to many lives.

Sign up for a summer membership beginning Monday, February 20, 2017. Memberships run from June 1-August 31, 2017.

Summer Membership Rates

- Family \$260
- Adult \$214.25
- Youth \$73.50

Qualified Staff

We have a superb group of camp counselors ready to work with your child this summer. Our staff is trained in CPR, emergency procedures, basic water safety, first aid, and child abuse prevention, all in order to prepare for consistent, quality and engaging instruction.

In addition, Adventure Camp staff includes two certified lifeguards and one licensed bus driver. In Discovery Camp, a certified lifeguard will be present on swimming field trips. Camp staff are a fun group of college students with an interest in education, recreation or a similar youth-focused field who make day camp an exciting experience for every camper.

Camp Hours

Camp meets from 9:00 AM-4:00 PM Monday-Friday. Extended care is available from 6:30-9:00 AM and 4:00-6:00 PM and is included in your camp fee.

YMCA T-Shirts

One commemorative YMCA Day Camp t-shirt is provided to each child that registers for camp prior to May 16. T-shirts will be distributed to campers on their first field trip day. Additional shirts may be purchased for \$10 each by contacting Michelle at michelle@eauclaireymca.org or 715-839-4603.

Breakfast, Lunch and Snack

- Breakfast is available from 7:00-8:00 AM everyday. Children need to arrive by 7:45 AM to eat breakfast.
- Lunch and one healthy snack should be packed in a lunch box, small cooler, or backpack (Lunches will NOT be put in large coolers).
- Be sure to send a water bottle with your camper!
- Each afternoon, your child will be served a Super Snack comprised of all five components of a meal (fruit, vegetable, grain, dairy, protein).

How to Register

See the back cover for the step-by-step registration instructions.

Billing

Payments will be withdrawn weekly (on the Monday 2 weeks prior to attendance) or monthly (1st Monday of each month).

Express Payment Plan I: Automatic bank draft (weekly or monthly draft from checking or savings account)

Express Payment Plan II: Credit Card

Cancellations/Changes

- You may submit schedule changes via e-mail directly to michelle@eauclaireymca.org.
- Cancellation of a week of care is free of charge until May 15, 2017.
- **Adventure, Specialty, and Y-Juniors** cancellation of a week of care after May 15, 2017 is a \$50 per child, per week fee.
- **Discovery Camp** cancellation fees vary depending on the length of week.
 - Full week (3 days or more) | \$25 per child per week
 - Partial week (less than 3 days) | \$10 per child per week
- **All schedule changes** (change in number of days, days attending, switching camps for the week) are free of charge, but due 2 weeks in advance for planning.





2017 SUMMER CAMP PLANNER



Week 1 6/12-6/16	Week 2 6/19-6/23	Week 3 6/26-6/30	Week 4 7/3-7/7	Week 5 7/10-7/14	Week 6 7/17-7/21	Week 7 7/24-7/28	Week 8 7/31-8/4	Week 9 8/7-8/11	Week 10 8/14-8/18	Week 11 8/21-8/25	Week 12 8/28-8/30
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ADVENTURE CAMP

Entering grades 1-4

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Y JUNIORS

Entering grades 5-6

IF I RAN THE ZOO	IN THE SCIENCE LAB	FARM TO FRYING PAN	ARMED FORCES	JUSTICE IS SERVED	THE WORLD'S A STAGE	YOU COULD BE THE MVP	SHOOT FOR THE MOON	EXTRA, EXTRA!	ART STUDIO	HOW TO SAVE A LIFE	BACK TO SCHOOL
Veterinarian & Zoologist	Scientist & Researcher	Chef & Farmer	Military Service	Lawyer, Police, & CSI	Actor & Director	Professional Athlete	Astronaut	Writer & Author	Artist	Firefighter & EMT	Teacher
4 or 5 days	4 or 5 days	4 or 5 days	4 days	4 or 5 days	4 or 5 days	4 or 5 days	4 or 5 days	4 or 5 days	4 or 5 days	4 or 5 days	3 days
BIG TRIP: Dome Ranch	BIG TRIP: CFMIT & Tie Dye	BIG TRIP: L.E. Phillips Scout Camp	BIG TRIP: Arcadia Park & Pool	BIG TRIP: Camp Manitou	BIG TRIP: Y-Rep Play & Crystal Cave	BIG TRIP: Express Game	BIG TRIP: Beaver Creek	BIG TRIP: High Roller	BIG TRIP: Talent Show	BIG TRIP: Jellystone	BIG TRIP: End of Camp Dance

SPECIALTY CAMP

Entering grades 1-4

GYMNASTICS	SOCCER	YOUNG CHEFS	FISHING	OUTDOOR SPORTS	BASKETBALL	SOFTBALL/ BASEBALL	SURVIVAL SKILLS	TENNIS	GOLF	STEM	NO SPECIALTY CAMP
5 days	5 days	5 days	4 days	5 days	5 days	5 days	5 days	5 days	5 days	5 days	

DISCOVERY CAMP

Entering grades 1-6

	IF I RAN THE ZOO	IN THE SCIENCE LAB	FARM TO FRYING PAN	ARMED FORCES	JUSTICE IS SERVED	THE WORLD'S A STAGE	YOU COULD BE THE MVP	SHOOT FOR THE MOON	EXTRA, EXTRA!	ART STUDIO	HOW TO SAVE A LIFE	BACK TO SCHOOL
	Veterinarian & Zoologist	Scientist & Researcher	Chef & Farmer	Military Service	Lawyer, Police, & CSI	Actor & Director	Professional Athlete	Astronaut	Writer & Author	Artist	Firefighter & EMT	Teacher
Full Day (4+ hours)	M, T, W, R, F	M, T, W, R, F	M, T, W, R, F	M, W, R, F	M, T, W, R, F	M, T, W, R, F	M, T, W, R, F	M, T, W, R, F	M, T, W, R, F	M, T, W, R, F	M, T, W, R, F	M, T, W
Half Day (<4 hours)	M, T, W, R, F	M, T, W, R, F	M, T, W, R, F	M, W, R, F	M, T, W, R, F	M, T, W, R, F	M, T, W, R, F	M, T, W, R, F	M, T, W, R, F	M, T, W, R, F	M, T, W, R, F	M, T, W
Discovery Campers remain mostly on-site at the YMCA and offers the following optional add-on enrichment classes (fees apply):	FRIDAY TRIP: Irvine Park	FRIDAY TRIP: CFMIT & Tie Dye	FRIDAY TRIP: Lake Altoona	FRIDAY TRIP: Micon Cinema	FRIDAY TRIP: Camp Manitou	FRIDAY TRIP: Y-Rep Play & CMEC	FRIDAY TRIP: Coon Fork	FRIDAY TRIP: Beaver Creek	FRIDAY TRIP: High Roller	FRIDAY TRIP: Talent Show	FRIDAY TRIP: Wakanda Park & Pool	FRIDAY TRIP: End of Camp Dance
		Football or Math League or Young Inventors	Volleyball or Adaptive Art or Jedi Knights		Football or Pirate's Life or Superhero Academy	Racquetball or Cartooning or Creating Magazines	Dance Remix or Knitting	Outer Space or Rocks & Minerals	Improv or Babysitter Training	Masterpiece Studio or Jewelry Making		

*SWIM LESSONS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE AS AN ADD-ON TO DISCOVERY CAMP!

2017 SUMMER PLANNING CALENDAR

Registration Dates Members: 2/6 | Community: 3/6

Parent Open House June 8 | 6:00-8:00 PM
Bring the family, meet the counselors, see the rooms, meet other campers, and get your questions answered!

- Week 1
6/12-6/16
- Week 2
6/19-6/23
- Week 3
6/26-6/30
- Week 4
7/3-7/7
- Week 5
7/10-7/14
- Week 6
7/17-7/21
- Week 7
7/24-7/28
- Week 8
7/31-8/4
- Week 9
8/7-8/11
- Week 10
8/14-8/18
- Week 11
8/21-8/25
- Week 12
8/28-8/30

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
JUNE 11	12 Day Camp begins!	13
18	19	20
25	26	27
2	3	4 Happy 4 th of July! --No Day Camp--
9	10	11
16	17	18
23	24	25
30	31	AUGUST 1
6	7	8
13	14	15
20	21	22
27	28	29

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
14	15	16	17
21	22	23	24
28	29	30	JULY 1
5	6	7	8
12	13	14	15
19	20	21	22
26	27	28	29
2	3	4	5
9	10	11	12
16	17	18	19
23	24	25	26
30 Last Day of Day Camp!	31	SEPTEMBER 1	2

2017 THEME: WHEN I GROW UP

Week 1: June 12–16 | If I Ran the Zoo

From lions to hamsters, veterinarians take care of all sorts of animals. Explore the world of caring for our furry friends – large and small.

Week 2: June 19–23 | In the Science Lab

Sir Isaac Newton, Albert Einstein, Marie Curie...and you! Learn about the amazing discoveries that scientists make on a daily basis and how to explore the scientific world around you.

Week 3: June 26–30 | Farm to Frying Pan

Who doesn't love food? This week, we'll learn about what it takes to prepare delicious foods, from farmer to chef.

Week 4: July 3–7 | Armed Forces

Proud of the red, white, and blue! Join us to learn about the servicemen and women who make up our country's military.

Week 5: July 10–14 | Justice is Served

This week, we will learn all about how our city is kept safe by police, crime scene investigators, lawyers, and more!

Week 6: July 17–21 | All the World's a Stage

Casting call for all actors, actresses, and directors! This week, we'll learn about what it takes to produce a play or film!

Week 7: July 24–28 | You Could be the MVP

Bigger, stronger, and faster...do you have what it takes to be a professional athlete or sports star?

Week 8: July 31–August 4 | Shoot for the Moon

3, 2, 1...Blast Off! This week, explore the road to space as an astronaut – shoot for the moon and land amongst the stars!

Week 9: August 7–11 | Extra, Extra!

Read all about it! There are all sorts of writers in this world, from authors to journalists; join us as we learn about what it takes to transport people through just the written word.

Week 10: August 14–18 | Art Studio

The sky's the limit as an artist. Join us as we discover what it means to truly unleash our creativity in the world of art.

Week 11: August 21–25 | How to Save a Life

When there's an emergency, these are the people who answer the call! Learn about what it takes to be a rescue worker such as a firefighter or emergency medical technician.

Week 12: August 28–30 | Back to School

As summer winds to a close, we'll take a look at one of our very favorite professions – the teacher!

ADVENTURE CAMP

Entering Grades 1–4

Campers will travel to local attractions daily and enjoy weekly field trips to places such as Camp Manitou, Crystal Cave, Dome Ranch and more! We'll put miles on the bus each week, try new things and learn about all the great career opportunities you'll have when you grow up!

Campers will have the opportunity to enjoy the beautiful Wisconsin summer weather and have the chance to swim every day. Licensed lifeguards ensure a safe, fun, exciting program by administering a swim test to all campers.

Campers will be divided into groups according to what grade they are entering in the fall so they will be with children their own age.

Y-JUNIORS

Entering Grades 5–6

Y-Juniors is based on our Adventure Camp and designed for students who are transitioning from elementary school to middle school. This program offers youth a chance to budget and plan where they go each day with their own transportation. In addition to what the children do in Adventure Camp, your camper will develop leadership skills through mentoring younger campers, completing community service projects, assisting with their own schedule and other enrichment opportunities.

DISCOVERY CAMP

Entering Grades 1–6

You asked, we heard you! We know that summers are crazy and you don't always need full-time care so we've created Discovery Camp. Discovery Camp's flexible schedule allows campers to attend full or half-days (less than 4 hours) and up to five days each week. We want to keep your child engaged while working around your family's busy schedule. Campers will be divided up into groups according to what grade they are entering in the fall.

We are excited to offer this fun, alternative day camp that will be on-site at the YMCA each week from Monday – Thursday and will go on a field trip each Friday.

Campers will be offered a variety of activities daily which will coincide with Adventure Camp's theme, "When I Grow Up," each week. From crafts and games to skill building and community service, we will keep campers engaged and happy. Along with convenient, flexible schedule options, we are also excited to offer Discovery Campers the chance to participate in the Eau Claire YMCA's enrichment classes, sports clinics and swim lessons, all while providing care around these programs.

If your child has always wanted to participate in a writing class, volleyball clinic or learn a second language, enroll them in Discovery Camp and enhance their experience by adding on a new class at a discounted rate!

2017 DISCOVERY CAMP DAILY RATES				
	Member		Community	
	1 st Child	2 nd Child	1 st Child	2 nd Child
Full Day	\$30	\$27	\$33	\$30
1/2 Day	\$20	\$18	\$23	\$20

Optional Add-On Enrichment Classes & Sports Clinics for Discovery Campers

The Y will offer a single-week, four-day mini-class each week. Discovery Camp participants have the option to develop new skills this summer!

Discovery Campers will have the option to add summer school sports for \$15/session or enrichment programs for \$20/session. Whether you're looking to learn a new skill or want to spend time doing something you love, there's a class for everyone!

- Week 1:** N/A
- Week 2:** Young Inventors, Math League, Basketball
- Week 3:** Adaptive Art, Jedi Kngihts, Volleyball
- Week 4:** N/A
- Week 5:** Pirate's Life, Superhero Academy, Football
- Week 6:** Creating Magazines, Cartooning, Racquetball
- Week 7:** Dance Remix, Knitting
- Week 8:** Rocks & Minerals, Outer Space
- Week 9:** Improv, Babysitter Training
- Week 10:** Jewelry Making, Masterpiece Studio
- Week 11:** N/A
- Week 12:** N/A

*Add-on swim lessons are also available most weeks!



Typical Discovery Camp Schedule*

- 6:30 AM** Camp opens – free choice**
- 7:00 AM** Breakfast is available (must arrive by 7:45 AM)
- 8:30 AM** Snack (Please Bring Own)
- 9:30 AM** First period of staff-led activities, enrichment programs, sports classes or swim lessons.
- Fridays:** Leave for Field Trip
- 12:00 PM** Lunch (Please Bring Own)
- 12:30 PM** Second period-choice of Y pool or staff-led activities
- 3:30 PM** **Fridays:** Return to the YMCA
- 4:00 PM** Room activities choice
- 6:00 PM** Last pick up time

***Schedule subject to change**

Friday Field Trips

- Week 1:** Irvine Park
- Week 2:** Tie Dye & Chippewa Falls Museum of Industry & Technology
- Week 3:** Lake Altoona
- Week 4:** Micon Cinema
- Week 5:** Camp Manitou
- Week 6:** Children's Museum (AM) & Y-Rep play at CVTG: "Fractured Fairy Tales" (PM)
- Week 7:** Express Game (Wednesday) Coon Fork (Friday)
- Week 8:** Beaver Creek
- Week 9:** High Roller
- Week 10:** Talent Show
- Week 11:** Wakanda Park & Pool
- Week 12:** End of Summer Dance

SPECIALTY CAMP

For Kids Entering Grades 1–4

Adventure Camp with a twist! Are your children interested in learning more about a specific hobby, skill, or sport? Specialty Campers will visit local community parks, lakes and pools daily, but the main theme or emphasis will be on a particular sport or specialty for at least two hours each day. Campers are bound to improve their skills and knowledge while having fun at the same time.

Week 1: Gymnastics (June 12–16)
Balance, tumble, and flip through this week as kids will learn the basics of gymnastics.

Week 2: Soccer (June 19–23)
Dribble, shoot, and score through learning the basic fundamentals of the game of soccer.

Week 3: Young Chefs (June 26–30)
Learn the basics of the kitchen from nutrition and equipment to reading and following recipes during this hands-on camp.

Week 4: Fishing (July 3–7)
Cast your line in the river and reel in the big catch by learning how to fish while enjoying the outdoor scenery of the riverside.

Week 5: Outdoor Sports (July 10–14)
Do you love being outside and being active? Try new and exciting outdoor sports this week! Shoot a bow, throw a Frisbee, or search for that next geocache in addition to other activities.

Week 6: Basketball (July 17–21)
Get a slam dunk this week by learning the fundamentals of basketball. Learn to dribble, shoot, pass, and play defense.

Week 7: Softball/Baseball (July 24–28)
Going...going...GONE! Hit a grand slam this week by learning the fundamentals of softball and baseball including throwing, catching, hitting, and how to play the game.

Week 8: Survival Skills (July 31–August 4)
Lost? Unprepared? Prevent this from being you. Spend the week learning how to survive in the wilderness. Learn how to build fires, identify plants and trees, read maps, and so much more! This week of Specialty Camp includes an overnight trip to L.E. Phillips Scout Camp on Wednesday night.

Week 9: Tennis (August 7–11)
Head to the Tennis Center to learn the basics of tennis from how to hit the ball, serve, and play the game.

Week 10: Golf (August 14–18)
Participate in the Y-Tee program. Learn proper swing, stance, etiquette, and putting techniques.

Week 11: STEM (August 21–25)
Explore the world of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics in this innovative and inventive session! We will explore how things work through hands-on projects and experiments.



TYPICAL ADVENTURE & SPECIALTY CAMP SCHEDULE*

6:30 AM | Camp opens – free choice

7:00 AM | Breakfast (must arrive by 7:45 AM)

9:00 AM | Snack (Please Bring Own)

9:15 AM | Board bus for scheduled activities

12:00 PM | Lunch (Please Bring Own)

12:30 PM | Themed activities & swimming at lake or pool

3:30 PM | Return to the YMCA, Super Snack

4:00 PM | Room activities choice

6:00 PM | Last pick up time

*** Schedule subject to change**

2017 SPECIALTY DAY CAMP – WEEKLY RATES

	Member		Community	
	1 st Child	2 nd Child	1 st Child	2 nd Child
Full Week	\$194	\$174	\$219	\$197

FAQs

Q: What if my child cannot attend camp due to illness, vacation or other reason?

Leave a message with your camper’s room by 8:30 AM. Direct phone numbers to your camper’s room will be provided at Parent Night or the child’s first day of attendance. No credits are given for sick days.

Q: What if I need to cancel a camp session?

There will be no fee for all cancellations received via email or postmarked by May 15.

Adventure, Specialty, and Y-Juniors

After May 15, a \$50 cancellation fee per week, per child will be charged.

Discovery Camp

After May 15, a \$25 cancellation fee per child, per full week (3 days or more) or a \$10 cancellation fee per child per partial week (less than 3 days) will be charged.

Q: What if my child gets ill or injured?

If your child does not feel well for an extended period of time, YMCA staff will contact you to pick up your child. Moderate injuries will also be promptly communicated once proper care is administered. A parent/guardian will be contacted immediately for any severe injuries requiring professional medical attention. If a parent/guardian cannot be reached, medical treatment will be sought under advisement per the information you provided on your camper’s health history forms at enrollment.

Q: How do I contact staff during the day?

Parents may call the School Age Child Care Director or Coordinator, who will then be able to reach out to the off-site staff. On-site staff will have a phone that is located in their room. In the event that they are off-site for the day, contacting Michelle at michelle@eauclairemca.org or 715-839-4603 would be the appropriate method of contact.

Q: Where is the lost and found area?

During the week lost and found items are kept in your camper’s classroom. At the end of the week all items are brought to the YMCA’s main lost and found located across from the Service Desk. Please mark your child’s belongings with his or her name prior to the start of camp. The YMCA is not responsible for lost items.

Q: My child requires a daily dose of medicine. What is the protocol for this?

A completed medication authorization form is required in order for camp staff to dispense any medication to a camper. Per the authorization form, medicine is required to be in its original pharmacy container with the doctor’s name, the name of the medication and all dosage information on the original label.

Q: How will I know what activities are planned each week?

Weekly calendars are available the Friday before each camp week and will be available at the sign in/out stations at all camp venues.

Q: What is the difference between the 4 camps?

Camp	Going into Grade	Schedule Options	Half Day Option (less than 4 hours)	Enrichment and/or Sports Class Add-On Option	Field Trips
Adventure Camp	1–4	4 or 5 days			Off-Site Daily
Specialty Camp	1–4	5 days			Off-Site Daily
Discovery Camp	1–6	Flexible	X	X	Fridays Only
Y-Juniors	5–6	4 or 5 days			Off-Site Daily

READY! SET! PACK!

Campers should wear comfortable, non-restrictive clothing that they can play in come sunshine, rain, or even dirt! Camp activities are geared towards physical activity that requires clothing to get messy at times. Always send your child in a comfortable pair of gym shoes. Most campers bring backpacks to camp that contain the following items:

- Sack lunch & drink (nothing microwaveable please)
- Healthy morning snack
- Swimsuit & towel
- Water bottle
- Bug spray
- Sunscreen
- Plastic bag to hold wet swimsuit/towel
- Gym shoes (no sandals or flip flops)
- Comfortable clothing (dress for the weather)
- Goggles & water shoes (optional)

What to Leave at Home

YMCA staff will keep your child engaged in healthy, interactive activities. For this reason, please do not send your child with the following items:

- Money
- Cell phones
- Electronic games
- MP3 players
- Toys from home
- Any other personal possessions that may risk being lost or stolen.



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HOW TO REGISTER:

1. Review the camp offerings by your camper's age, interest and schedule needs.
2. Pull out the 2017 Summer Day Camp Planner & Calendar
3. Cross off all the weeks that you are on vacation or don't need care.
4. Circle the options you would like your camper to attend.
5. Gather the following information:
 - Authorized pick-up and emergency contact information (address, phone number & email address)
 - Camper's immunization records
 - Doctor and dentist contact information (name & phone number)
 - Billing information (check or credit card)
6. Go to www.eauclaireymca.org to download the registration forms, or pick up a paper copy at the Eau Claire YMCA. Completed forms should then be returned along with a \$30 registration fee per camper to secure your spot! Maximum registration fee is \$65 per family.

ONLINE REGISTRATION WILL BE AVAILABLE STARTING IN APRIL!