



SUMMER DAY CAMP FAQs

GENERAL PROGRAM INFO

What ages are eligible for summer day camp?

School-Age Full-Day Camps: Ages 5–12 (entering Kindergarten)

Specialty Camps: from 5-16 years (ages vary by camp)

Where are camps located?

Port Angeles	Sequim	Port Townsend
Port Angeles YMCA	Sequim YMCA	Jefferson County Rec Center

What are the camp hours? Is there early drop-off or late pick-up?

Camp Hours: 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

Drop-Off: 8:00 AM – 8:30 AM

Pick-Up: 4:30 PM – 5:00 PM

** If your family needs a little extra flexibility with drop-off or pick-up times, please let us know. We can often work with staff to arrange an earlier drop-off or later pick-up within a reasonable timeframe.

Do you offer part-time or drop-in options?

Our full-day camps are designed as full-week programs to help kids build friendships, stay engaged, and get the most out of the experience. Because of this, we do not offer drop-in or part-time attendance for full-day camps, as it can be harder for kids to feel fully included.

* However, we do offer partial-day specialty camps. These run Monday through Friday for 2–3 hours in the morning or afternoon. Check the program guide for camp offerings and details.

What if the weather gets bad, will camp be cancelled?

Nope! Fun will still be had, rain or shine. Refer to the handbook for severe weather policies and procedures.

REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT

How do I register my child for camp?

- ❖ Online at our website: Select Programs → Camps → Summer Camps
- ❖ In-house at your local YMCA branch or by phone

Do I have to be a member to sign my child up for camps?

Nope, we offer both member and non-member rates. We definitely encourage membership - it comes with some cost savings on programs, access to our facilities, and other great benefits.

Can I register for multiple weeks at once?

Yep! It is encouraged. You can modify camp instances up to two weeks before the start of camp if needed.

What is the cost of camp? Are there Olympic Peninsula YMCA member rates?

Rate Type	Traditional Full-Day Camps	NEW Part-Time Specialty Camps	Specialty Camp Add-On (when added to full-day camp)
Member	\$275/week	\$150/week	\$75/week
Non-member	\$350/week	\$180/week	\$95/week

Are there registration fees or deposits?

Yes. A \$20 non-refundable deposit is required per camp and is applied toward the total cost to secure your child's spot.

Full-day traditional camps also have a one-time \$30 non-refundable registration fee that covers camp T-shirts and administrative costs.

Are financial assistance or scholarships available?

Yes, scholarship applications are available online or at the local YMCA.

What is your refund or cancellation policy?

Cancellations up to 7 days before camp start are eligible for a refund. Payments are typically processed within that 7-day window, so most families will not have been charged yet. Deposits are non-refundable.

- ❖ Camp fees are based on registration, not attendance.
- ❖ We do not offer prorated fees or refunds for weather closures, missed days, non-attendance, or if a child is suspended from the program.

Please note: Refunds are not issued within 7 days of the program start because staffing, snacks, supplies, and other resources are already planned and purchased based on enrolled participants, and it is unlikely we can fill the spot on such short notice.

DAILY LOGISTICS

What to Bring	What NOT to Bring
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Backpack<input type="checkbox"/> Water bottle<input type="checkbox"/> Lunch<input type="checkbox"/> Play clothes (that can get messy)<input type="checkbox"/> Closed toed shoes<input type="checkbox"/> Extra layers if needed<input type="checkbox"/> Swimwear and towel<input type="checkbox"/> Sunscreen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Toys, valuables, trading cards, etc.<input type="checkbox"/> Candy<input type="checkbox"/> Devices (ie. phone, tablet, video games, etc.)<input type="checkbox"/> Anything that can be used as, or resembles a weapon

Do the Y provide lunch or snacks?

No lunch provided - children need to come with a packed lunch

Snacks are provided by the Y throughout the day

* We will have limited lunch materials available in the event a child forgets to bring their lunch.

What happens if I'm late picking up my child?

We understand that things happen. The first time, we will offer some grace. However, if late pick-ups become a recurring issue, and a late pick-up has not been previously arranged and approved with the site coordinator, a fee of \$1 per minute will be charged after the scheduled pick-up time.

What kinds of activities will the kids do?

Activities include but are not limited to: arts & crafts, games, active play, sports, outdoor adventures, water activities, STEM projects, theatrics, enrichment activities, field trips, etc. Specialty camps dive deeper into their focused area of interest.

Do kids go swimming?

Yes. Swimming is part of weekly programming at all branches. At our Sequim and Port Townsend Branches campers will often swim multiple times per week, and at the Port Angeles branch we plan to transport campers over to Sequim so they can swim at least once per week. Strict water safety policies and procedures are followed at all times.

Are there field trips? How are they communicated to families?

Yes! Many of our camps include field trips throughout the summer. The destinations and frequency vary depending on the camp theme, weekly schedule, and transportation resources. Field trips are planned to align with the camp experience and are always supervised by our staff. More details will be shared with families in advance each week.