"My kids always have a great time and their counselors are the best! They love going to camp and I love that they come home full of good stories to tell about the day."

- Camp Silver Lake Parent, 2019
About Our Camp

OUR CAMP PHILOSOPHY
At the Middletown Family YMCA, we believe in providing comprehensive camp programs, which foster the social, cultural, physical and emotional development of children. Activities reflect the character values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility. We create opportunities for children to enhance their self-esteem, build friendships, develop greater independence and give them a sense of their creative potential in a safe, fun and nurturing environment.

CAMP OUTCOMES
Sense of Belonging – Connect to and feel supported by peers and staff.
Sense of Achievement – Learn and develop important skills resulting in increased confidence and self-esteem.
Building Relationships – Make friends and be supported by positive adult role models.

CAMP STRUCTURE

EXPLORERS CAMP: Completed K-1st Grades
ADVENTURERS CAMP: Completed 2nd-3rd Grades
VOYAGERS CAMP: Completed 4th-5th Grades
PIONEERS CAMP: Completed 6th-7th Grades
LEADER IN TRAINING (LIT) PROGRAM: Completed 8th, 9th and 10th Grades
SPORTS CAMP: Completed 2nd-8th Grades

*Camp will be held at Silver Lake park on week 9.
WHAT WILL CAMPERS DO AT Camp Silver Lake?

1. **CONNECT.** Experience the camp spirit within themselves and enjoy sharing it with others.
2. **TRY NEW THINGS** and activities at our learning stations.
3. **USE THEIR IMAGINATION** through Arts and Crafts, Music, Drama and more!
4. **EXPERIENCE A SENSE OF PRIDE** in their actions, choices and projects.
5. **EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITIES** to share and express their ideas and choices within a group.
6. **BE A PART OF SOMETHING** bigger than themselves.
7. **DEVELOP** relationships with adults who believe in them.
8. **RESPECT** themselves, others and nature through team-building as well as science and nature stations.
9. **ENJOY** storytelling, silent reading and reading aloud.
10. **MAKE FRIENDS**, have fun and enjoy being a kid.

2020

BEST SUMMER EVER!
Safety and quality matter.
At Camp Silver Lake, we believe that staff is our greatest resource and boast that we offer better than a 1 to 10 staff to camper ratio. Our camp staff all have prior experience working with children and have camp specific training. Unit Directors are college students/graduates who are working professionals in the fields of education and child development.

All staff must pass a thorough background check including:
- FBI and Fingerprints
- National Child Abuse Registry
- National & State Sex Offender Registry
- Reference Checks

All staff receive a minimum of 24 hours pre-camp training including:
- Child Abuse Recognition & Prevention
- CPR and First Aid Training
- Communicable Disease Management
- Zero Tolerance Anti-Bullying Training
- Diversity & Inclusion Training
- Team Building and Group Dynamics
- And, more!

HOW CAN WE HELP YOU?

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“My children love going to YMCA camp every summer! On our way home, they always have fantastic stories about their adventures. Plus, the weekly field trips are great, and the staff is always friendly!”

- Camp Silver Lake Parent, 2019

“I love the variety of activities the kids participate in each day – swimming, outside games and field trips. The YMCA camp also builds character!”

- Camp Silver Lake Parent, 2019

“My son LOVES summer camp! There are a variety of activities to keep him engaged. They encourage new friendships and even quiet time with a good book. THANK YOU for all you do and are doing.”

- Camp Silver Lake Parent, 2019
CAMP REGISTRATION KICKOFF & BEACH PARTY

**JANUARY 31, 2020 • 5 - 7 P.M.**
Join us for our Camp Registration Kick-Off and Beach Party. There will be games, open swim and camp registration staff on-site to get you signed up for the BEST SUMMER EVER! Online registration will be available beginning Monday, February 3, 2020 at www.ysummercamp.org.

HEALTHY KIDS DAY CAMP OPEN HOUSE
**APRIL 18 • 12 -3 P.M.**
Join us as we celebrate Healthy Kids Day, our national initiative to improve the health and wellbeing of kids. This event is open to the community and is a great opportunity to learn about our camp.

CAMP ORIENTATION/MEET YOUR COUNSELOR NIGHT
**JUNE 4 • 6:30 - 8 P.M.**
Join us and you will have the opportunity to meet our camp supervisor and ask questions regarding summer camp. An overview of camp will be given and information will be provided on daily schedules, newsletters, field trips, staff, and much more. You will also have an opportunity to meet some of the camp counselors that will be working this summer. We hope to see you there!

ALL CAMP CELEBRATION
**WEEK 4: JULY 8**
On this special day, all YMCA of Delaware campers join together to participate in camp games, sing-offs, inflatable bounces and water slides!

COLOR WARS WEEK
**AUGUST 3 – 7**
During color wars week, we divide the entire camp into two teams; Red vs. Blue. Throughout the whole week, the camp will participate in fun competitions leading up to Friday’s final performances of songs, dances and skits. Our kids and counselors always look forward to this exciting week of camp.

CAMP FAMILY POOL PARTY
**JULY 24 • 5-8 P.M.**
Bring the whole family and join us for some end of summer fun in the sun.

FUN FRIDAY
Each Friday campers are asked to join in the fun by dressing up for the Fun Friday theme of the week. This awesome camp tradition will encourage your child to get creative and be silly!

- **WEEK 1:** Favorite Sports Team
- **WEEK 2:** Red White and Blue
- **WEEK 3:** Neon
- **WEEK 4:** Tie Dye
- **WEEK 5:** Animal Print
- **WEEK 6:** Crazy Socks/Crazy Hair Day
- **WEEK 7:** Color Wars
- **WEEK 8:** Cartoon Characters
- **WEEK 9:** Pirates

2020 SUMMER CAMP SESSIONS
- **Week 1:** June 22 – 26
- **Week 2:** June 29 – July 3
- **Week 3:** July 6 – 10
- **Week 4:** July 13 – 17
- **Week 5:** July 20 – 24
- **Week 6:** July 27 – 31
- **Week 7:** Aug. 3 – 7
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- Flag Football Camp (Play day at Western YMCA)
- Soccer Camp (Play day at Bear YMCA)
- Baseball/Softball Camp (Play day at Middletown YMCA)
- Dodgeball Camp (Play day at Brandywine YMCA)

**TEENS/LEADERSHIP**

- 8th–10th L.I.T. Leader’s in Training

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EXPLORERS CAMP
COMPLETED GRADES K - 1ST
Staff encourage our youngest campers to meet new friends, try new activities, grow in responsibility, and have fun. Exploring and playing outdoors is a big part of their day.
STAFF TO CAMPER RATIO - 1:6

ADVENTURERS CAMP
COMPLETED GRADES 2ND - 3RD
Campers build friendships, try new things, learn to become more independent, and are taught to respect others and the nature around them.
STAFF TO CAMPER RATIO - 1:8

VOYAGERS CAMP
COMPLETED GRADES 4TH - 5TH
Voyager campers are challenged to make good choices, learn to work cooperatively as a group, and develop new skills through team-building activities.
STAFF TO CAMPER RATIO - 1:10

PIONEERS CAMP
COMPLETED GRADES 6TH - 8TH
Our oldest group in traditional camp is given the opportunity to lead and complete more challenging activities. They are also given time to “hang out” with their friends.
STAFF TO CAMPER RATIO - 1:10

Teen programs at Camp Silver Lake give high school students the chance to have fun while learning real interpersonal skills that will serve them for the rest of their lives. Participants will be able to highlight their experience and service hours in college essays and interviews.

LIT (LEADER IN TRAINING)
COMPLETED 8TH - 10TH GRADE
Our LIT participants will learn teamwork oriented leadership through a variety of hands-on workshops and volunteer projects. They will work closely with younger campers and will go on weekly field trips with the younger groups. This camp will also help teens discover what it means to be a leader.
Sports camps teach children the basic fundamentals of the game, as well as, the various positions, rules, and regulations. Campers will participate in daily warm-ups, practice skills, learn new drills, play scrimmages, and enjoy friendly games. They will also have a weekly field trip and swim times.

**AGES:** Completed grades 2nd - 8th

**STAFF TO CAMPER RATIO:** Approximately 1:8

**BASKETBALL WEEKS 1 AND 6**
This camp is a perfect introduction to the game of basketball. It will focus on ball handling, passing, shooting, and much more. Along with learning the fundamentals, get ready for fun tournaments and games. The fun won’t stop there because this camp will be participating in a play day with the other YMCA of Delaware camps. **Equipment needed:** None

**FLAG FOOTBALL WEEKS 2 AND 7**
Be prepared to show off your skills with this fast paced non-contact sport. During the week, we will have our own punt, pass, and kick competition as well as participate in a play day with the other YMCA of Delaware camps. **Equipment needed:** None

**SOCCER WEEKS 3 AND 8**
Kick off the summer with our soccer camp. Learn the game of soccer and the basic skills and fundamentals needed to help improve your game. From passing to shooting, this week will be filled with excitement. **Equipment needed:** Shin Guards

**BASEBALL/SOFTBALL WEEK 4**
Come on out and enjoy America’s favorite pastime. Learn the basic fundamentals of this great game. Our special event for this camp will be a home run derby! **Equipment needed:** Baseball/Softball Glove

**DODGEBALL/AGILITY WEEK 5**
Learn the many variations of this very popular camp game from Doctor Dodgeball to Gaga. Plus, campers will participate in a Dodgeball tournament at the end of the week. This camp is designed for fun while working on speed and agility skills. **Equipment needed:** None.

**ALL SPORTS WEEK 9**
This week campers will play and learn about all sports including soccer, dodgeball, kickball, flag football, basketball and baseball. Children will practice their skills and sportsmanship in this jam-packed week of fun.
HOW DO I REGISTER?
REGISTER ONLINE AT WWW.YSUMMERCAMP.ORG OR AT THE MEMBER SERVICES DESK.

REGISTRATION CHECK LIST:
- All past due balances must be paid prior to registration.
- Register online at www.ysummercamp.org.
- Provide a non-refundable deposit of $40 per week, per child. Cash, check, credit and debit cards are accepted.
- Camp must be paid in full two weeks prior to the start of the registered week.
- Payment option must be selected on registration form.
  - PAYMENT OPTION #1 - Automatic Deduction (Payments taken from checking, savings, credit or debit card supplied)
  - PAYMENT OPTION #2 - Pay in full
- Provide child’s current shot record prior to camp beginning.
- Be sure we have a valid email address on file.

REGISTRATION DEADLINES:
Camp registrations are due two weeks prior to the Monday of the desired week.

AFTER THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS ARE MET:
You will receive an email indicating registration confirmation, additional information needed or wait listing options if space is full.

PAYMENT PROCEDURE:
The remainder of each week’s fee is due two weeks prior to the beginning of the session. If the entire weekly fee is not paid off in full 2 weeks prior, your camp will be canceled and the next person on the wait list will be added. If there is no wait list and there is still a spot available, a $25 late fee per child will be assessed.

BANK DRAFT:
All camp balances can be set up for automatic withdrawal from your bank’s checking, savings, and debit/credit card account. If you register online, you will automatically be setup for Bank Draft. For any automatic withdrawals that are returned, those camp weeks will be canceled. If there is no wait list and there is still a spot available, a $25 late fee per child will be assessed.

CANCELLATION & CHANGE REQUIREMENTS:
Any cancellation or change must be submitted in writing two weeks prior to the change or cancellation date. For example, cancellation for week three would need to be received in writing by the Monday of week one. All changes are subject to space availability and are not guaranteed. Please remember, when canceling, all deposits are non-refundable. If we do not receive proper notification, all money paid will not be refunded for that week. See cancellation and change form online.

OPEN DOORS FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
Thanks to our Annual Campaign contributing donors, financial assistance is available. Scholarship forms are available at the Member Service desk or online. Assistance is given on a first-come, first-serve basis and determined by financial need. Financial documents requested on the forms must accompany your Financial Assistance application in order to be processed.

Applications must be received prior to camp registration.
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHERE IS YOUR CAMP LOCATED?
2020 camp is located at St. Anne’s Episcopal – 211 Silver Lake Rd. Middletown, DE 19709. *Camp will be held at Silver Lake Park during week 9.

WHAT ARE CAMP HOURS?
Monday – Friday:
9 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Extended Care:
7 a.m. – 6 p.m.
(no additional charge)

WHAT TO WEAR?
Comfortable, lightweight clothing and sneakers should be worn each day. A towel and bathing suit also need to be packed daily. Protection from the sun should be considered for outside programs. Keep in mind, many camps are run outdoors and campers will be spending their day enjoying the environment. Old clothes and shoes are recommended. Please be sure everything is labeled with your child’s name.

IS CAMP OPEN ON RAINY DAYS?
Yes! Activities are scheduled in case of inclement weather. Camp has use of the gym or class room space if needed. When choosing clothing, please consider that the camp is an outdoor camp and campers will most likely come home dirtier than usual on rainy days.

PROCEDURES

SIGN-IN & SIGN-OUT
For the safety of every child, parents are required to sign their camper in and out every day. Curbside drop-off is available from 7 – 9 a.m. in front of Bunker Hill Elementary School. A sign-in book and weekly newsletter will be available daily.

After 4 p.m. all children are signed out in front of Bunker Hill Elementary School. Children will not be released to anyone who is not on the pick-up list. Picture identification is required. Please be prepared to bring picture identification every day, as our staff rotates through different shifts.

EARLY DISMISSAL
The early dismissal book must be completed for any camper leaving camp prior to 4 p.m. Arrangements must be made for early dismissals that occur during field trip hours.

LATE PICK-UP POLICIES AND FEES
Camp ends at 6 p.m. Anyone who arrives late will be charged a late pick-up fee. There is a $15 fee for arrivals between 6 – 6:15 p.m. and an additional $15 fee for each consecutive 15 minutes. Parents that arrive late will be asked to sign a late pick-up form. Compensation is due at the time of arrival.

FIELD TRIP POLICY
All participants are expected to attend all off-site trips as they are scheduled. On field trip days, please encourage your child to wear their camp t-shirt. A weekly newsletter will be provided each Monday and will list weekly field trips. Due to travel time, the camp day may be extended beyond 4 p.m. Please do not send money with your child on field trips.

MEDICATION
If your child needs medication during the camp day, please bring the medication in its original container with your child’s name. You will be asked to complete a medical form on the first day you drop the medication off at camp. Please do not leave the medication with your child. All medication is kept in a medical box located in a secure space in the building.

SICKNESS OR INJURY PROCEDURES
• Sick children are not permitted to attend camp. Whenever it is necessary to contact you due to sickness or an emergency, we will first call the numbers provided and then proceed to the emergency numbers listed on the child’s enrollment forms
• If a minor injury (i.e. small cut or bruise) occurs during the day, an injury report will be filled out and the parent/guardian will be notified during pick-up.
• If a more severe injury occurs during the camp day, the parents will be contacted immediately.
YMCA CAMP TOCKWOGH
OVERNIGHT CAMP ON THE CHESAPEAKE BAY

MINI CAMP:
COMPLETED GRADES K-5
3-DAY/2-NIGHT

TRADITIONAL CAMP:
COMPLETED GRADES 2-9
ONE AND TWO WEEK SESSIONS

SKI & SAIL CAMP:
COMPLETED GRADES 7-10
ONE WEEK SESSIONS

TEEN LEADERSHIP:
COMPLETED GRADES 10-12
THREE AND FOUR WEEK SESSIONS

FAMILY CAMP:
MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND: May 22-25
SUMMERS END: August 23-30

Only a half hour from Middletown, DE!

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