



2020 BLUE MOUNTAIN DAY CAMP

Fairview Lake YMCA Camps
FairviewLakeYMCA.org/BMDC



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WELCOME

Blue Mountain Day Camp (BMDC) has been serving Sussex County, New Jersey since 1979. Located on the shores of Fairview Lake in Stillwater, the abundance of unspoiled woodlands creates endless opportunities for children to learn and explore. With facilities normally seen only in overnight camps, BMDC offers an exciting, creative summer day camp experience for children. Key to this camping experience is a mile-long lake with fishing, sailing, water sports, and swimming. Tennis courts, a basketball court, indoor and outdoor climbing, a sports field, an art pavilion, a horseback riding stable, and archery and riflery ranges are just a few of the great facilities at BMDC.

BMDC campers will have the chance to explore and grow through this strong tradition of quality programming and fun - all while making life-long friends. Our experienced staff guides campers through a wide range of classic day camp activities, as well as special days and events that reflect the spirit of Blue Mountain Day Camp.



**CAMP OPEN
HOUSES**



2-4pm

Rain or Shine



2020

January 19
February 16
March 15 & 29
April 26
May 17

Fairview Lake YMCA Camps

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Newton, NJ 07860

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THINGS TO KNOW

What to Bring To Camp

- Lunch and drink (clearly marked with camper's name)
- Additional water bottle to be kept in backpack
- Bathing suit and towel
- Plastic bag for wet articles
- Raincoat or poncho (weather is unpredictable)
- Bug spray
- Sunscreen
- Sweatshirt or sweater/jacket
- Footwear must be sturdy and closed toe appropriate for camp
- Sandals or flip-flops are not permitted

Camp T-shirt and swim lessons are included. Some trips have additional bus fees.

How to Register

Visit FairviewLakeYMCA.org/BMDC

A \$100 deposit per session is required at the time of registration. Balance for all sessions is due in full by **June 1, 2020**. Payment plans are also available.

A YMCA Membership per child is required to attend camp.

Staff

We carefully select and screen caring role models who demonstrate a passion for developing confidence and good character in youth. The Y maintains a commitment to a recruiting process that includes comprehensive training and background checks.

Y For All

The Y is a leading **501 c(3) nonprofit organization** for youth development, healthy living and social responsibility. Through funds raised from the Annual Campaign and special events, we are able to provide financial assistance to qualifying individuals and families so that everyone has a chance to learn, grow and thrive at the Y. Please call or visit metroymcas.org/main/financial-assistance/ for more information and an application. **Deadline for camp Financial Assistance application is April 15, 2020.**

American Camp Association Accreditation (ACA)

As a leading authority in youth development, ACA works to preserve, promote, and improve the camp experience. In partnership with ACA, the YMCA is committed to ensuring that all YMCA camps provide:



- Caring, competent adult role models
- Camp communities committed to safe, nurturing environment
- Healthy, developmentally-appropriate experiences
- Service to the community and the natural world
- Opportunities for leadership and personal growth
- Discovery, experiential education and learning opportunities
- Excellence and continuous self-improvement

BLUE MOUNTAIN DAY CAMP

Camp Dates: June 22 – August 28

Camp Hours: 8:30am–5:00pm

Before Care: 7:30am – 8:30am
(Additional charges apply)

After Care: 5:00pm – 6:00pm
(Additional charges apply)

Camp Location: Fairview Lake YMCA Camps
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Camper-to Staff-Ratio: 3–4 years: 5 to 1;
5 years: 6 to 1;
6–8 years: 8 to 1;
9–15 years: 10 to 1

Camp Director: Carolyn Koch
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Camp Registrar: bluemountain@metroymcas.org

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for more information.



The YMCA
is a 501(c)3
non-profit
organization.



PROGRAMS BY AGE

Visit FairviewLakeYMCA.org/BMDC to see pricing, download the Camp registration form or to register online.

TURTLES (Ages 3-5)

Turtles participate in many different activities that cater to their individual needs. Themed weeks allow for easy transition when it comes time for school in the fall. Campers must be potty trained prior to the start of camp.

PACERS (Entering grades 1-3)

Pacers will gain confidence as they learn new skills and participate in new program areas. Intentional activities allow for the development of important social skills and appreciation for the world around them.

PATHFINDERS (Entering grades 4-6)

Through new experiences, Pathfinders will increase their independence, learn teamwork skills and understand responsibility. Horseback riding is available.

PIONEERS (Entering grades 7-9)

Pioneers are learning to make decisions about the world on their own. Campers will focus on increasing good decision-making skills and are encouraged with positive, challenging and fun character-building experiences. Horseback riding is available.

Camp Session Dates

CAMP SESSIONS		Session 1		Session 2		Session 3		Session 4		Session 5	
4	CAMP WEEKS	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
		6/22-6/26	6/29-7/2	7/6-7/10	7/13-7/17	7/20-7/24	7/27-7/31	8/3-8/7	8/10-8/14	8/17-8/21	8/24-8/28



SPECIALTY CAMPS

RANCH CAMP (Entering grades 4-9)

Week 1: June 22-26; **Week 2:** June 29- July 2; **Week 9:** August 17-21; **Week 10:** August 24-28

Giddy Up! Campers will spend half the day at our ranch – learning to ride, how to take care of a horse and helping with barn chores. The rest of the day will be spent in camp activities, like swimming, sports and arts and crafts.

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COUNSELOR-IN-TRAINING PROGRAM (CIT) (Teens age 15+)

Weeks 3-5: July 6-24

Many of our staff were once CITs. In the CIT program, teens learn the skills necessary to be a counselor: leadership, organization, problem solving, becoming a team player, and working with children. CITs participate in a variety of traditional camp activities, as well as work with younger groups of campers. Successful participants may be invited to volunteer at Blue Mountain Day Camp later in the summer.



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CLUBS AT BMDC CAMP

During Club Activity Time, campers will split into groups and participate in an activity they choose weekly. Club themes vary week to week, and we are always adding new things based on our campers' wants and our counselors' special talents.

Sailing – Blue Mountain campers can set sail on beautiful Fairview Lake. Under the guidance of an experienced sailing instructor, campers will learn to sail a Sunfish with their friends. Campers must be **GREEN** level swimmers to choose this program.

Climbing – Indoor and outdoor climbing, high ropes and a vertical playpen will challenge campers and teach important lessons in teamwork. Certified instructors work with campers to overcome fears, reach new heights and have a ton of fun.

Fishing – Cast your line into our beautiful lake to try to catch a wide variety of fish. Staff will instruct campers on different knots, lures and techniques.

Paddle Boarding & Boating – Camp offers a wide variety of watercraft for campers to try. Explore the edges of Fairview Lake and play fun games and activities while out on the water.

Hiking – Miles of trails extend into the beautiful woodlands surrounding BMDC. Campers and staff will enjoy exploring all around camp, spotting animals and learning about trail signs and safety.

Team Building – Campers and staff will engage in high energy and rewarding games and challenges to learn cooperation and team work.

Fine Arts – Budding artists can extend their arts and crafts time under the guidance of creative staff. Create fun camp crafts and works of art at camp.

Horseback Riding – Yee Haw! For Pathfinder, Pioneer and Ranch campers during weeks 1, 3, 4, 5 and 9. In addition to riding trails, campers will learn about caring for horses and horsemanship. Proper attire, including long pants, is required. Riding helmet is provided.

BMDC DAILY SCHEDULE

Schedule may vary due to rainy day activities, trips and surprise events.

7:30–8:30am	Before Camp Campers registered for before care can be dropped off at camp as early as 7:30am. Games and crafts will be available as campers arrive.
GOOD MORNING CAMP!	
8:45am	Morning Meeting Once everyone has arrived, we'll start the day with an all camp meeting.
9:00–11:30am	Activity Periods 1, 2 & 3 Campers will rotate between swim lessons & activities with their counselors and unit.
11:45am	Lunch Each day campers should pack a lunch to enjoy while at camp.
12:45–2:30pm	Club Time Special, week-long activities that campers choose themselves.
3:00pm	Unit Time, Free Swim & Trading Post As the day winds down, campers will regroup with their unit, enjoy the lake and then head down to the Trading Post for a snack.
5:00pm	Buses Depart
5:00–6:00pm	After Care Campers not heading home on a bus will play games and enjoy fun activities.



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SUSSEX Y DAY CAMPS at the Sussex County YMCA

The **Sussex County YMCA** camp experience is a rich, learning environment that combines new friends, new songs, new achievements, with new growth and independence. The essence of YMCA camp is the presence of supportive relationships, meaningful opportunities and challenging activities in a physically and emotionally safe environment. A place designed for children, where they can explore and discover, is an important rite of passage especially for today's youth. Children are inherently curious and naturally risk takers. These are both important elements to learning. Our camps give children age appropriate opportunities for safe risks and enable children to challenge their steepest learning curve. Camp nurtures curiosity, inviting creativity which is a precursor to discovery and growth. There are many options for your child to choose from. We offer a summer experience of a lifetime to children age pre-school to 10th grade. From half-day camp to full-day camp, give your child the gift of camp and enjoy with your family many treasured memories.

SUSSEX Y CAMPS FUN, DISCOVERY AND NEW ADVENTURES

Full-day and half-day camps available for ages 3 - grade 8. Plus a CIT camp for grades 9 and 10.

SUSSEX Y SPORTS CAMPS BUILDING CONFIDENCE AND TEAMWORK

Full-day and half-day camps available for grades 3-7. Basketball, Soccer, Tennis and Multi-Sport camps, includes swimming.

SUSSEX Y SPECIALTY CAMPS NEW ADVENTURES FOR NEW EXPERIENCES

Full-day and half-day camps available for grades 5-9.

Visit SussexCountyYMCA.org for more details or call 973 209 9622 today.



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SLEEPAWAY CAMP

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From **June-August** we offer children **grades 2-11**, a beautiful, fun, adventurous setting in which to grow, play and thrive. Each of our camps has traditions, songs and stories that develop a sense of belonging in campers, even if it's their first time away from home. Our highly trained and caring staff are selected to ensure the safety of our campers, and to help them realize their full potential, make new friends and try new activities. For over 100 years, campers have been calling Fairview Lake their home away from home, because of what they **BECOME**.



Our Camps

Traditional Sleepaway Camp
Environmental Trips for Challenge (E.T.C.)
Ranch Camp

Specialty Camps
Counselor-In-Training Program (CIT)



COME HERE ALL YEAR **FAIRVIEW LAKE YMCA CAMPS**



ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION

August - June

As NJ's largest provider of residential Environmental Education, we provide a once-in-a-lifetime experience for students, teachers and parents. Leave the classroom and explore 660 acres of fields and forests, join your classmates on a geo-caching adventure, or develop leadership and communications skills in a setting like no other.



FAMILY and SPECIALTY WEEKENDS

August - June

Family Camp Weekends
Mother/Daughter Weekend
Father/Son Weekend
Father/Daughter Weekend
Mother/Son Weekend

Women's Wellness Weekends
Yoga
Adventure Retreats
And More

Visit FairviewLakeYMCA.org for more information

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