



**CAYMAN  
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## 2018 “Press Play!” Summer Day Camp: FAQ

### GENERAL INFORMATION

#### How old does my camper need to be to attend camp?

The Traditional Day Camp programme is for children aged 5 to 12. For youth aged 13 to 17, ask about our Counsellor-In-Training (C.I.T.) programme!

#### Will campers be placed in a group with other campers of the same age?

Campers are assigned to groups according to their age and the curriculum is designed with each group's age, abilities and interests in mind. Campers spend most of the day with his/her assigned group, at times teaming up with other groups to do activities together!

#### What time does camp start and end each day?

Camp runs from 9:00am-4:00pm. Regular drop-off hours are between 8:30-9:00am and pick-up is between 4:00-4:30pm. Extended pre/post camp hours are also available (additional fees apply).

#### What is a typical day like at camp?

Every day and week at camp is unique! Each week has a theme that is woven into the daily activities and complemented by dress-up days and special treats! However, key camp ingredients include: character development & values learning, swimming (including swim skill development), sports, teambuilding, dress-up days, adventure & exploration, arts & crafts, camp songs, field games and so much more! The traditional day camp programme provides a balance of experiences to encourage campers to discover new skills and talents!

#### What are the qualifications of your camp leaders?

We select camp leaders who embrace our core values and philosophy, with a heart and passion for developing youth! Staff receive First Aid, CPR and aquatic training and are screened through local law enforcement and character reference checks. Staff also receive camp specific training prior to the start of camp.

#### What do I need to pack for camp?

Campers should always bring a water bottle, hat, sunscreen, snack, picnic style lunch, bathing suit, towel and change of clothes. **Please label all items.** Younger campers are encouraged to wear their bathing suit to camp, as it's one less step to worry about during the day! Please note that staff do not provide assistance in the washroom and/or with changing. Campers are required to be able to go to the washroom and change themselves independently.



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### **How can I stay up-to-date about camp and related activities at the YMCA?**

Before camp starts, parents will be contacted via email with all the exciting details for their upcoming week at camp. On the first day of camp, an additional update will be shared at pick-up further highlighting any special activities, field trips, and/or news for the week. For regular camp news and updates, check out our Facebook page (YMCA of the Cayman Islands) and/or website! You can also subscribe to our newsletter by contacting [ysummercamp@ymcacayman.ky](mailto:ysummercamp@ymcacayman.ky).

## **REGISTRATION**

### **What is required to register and to hold a spot at camp?**

To hold your spot at camp, the entire balance for the first full week attending, plus a \$30 non-refundable deposit for any/all additional camp weeks is due at the time of registration. Balances should be paid one-week prior to the first day of each camp session.

### **How will I know my child is registered for camp? When will I receive confirmation?**

On-site registration guarantees immediate confirmation. If you are registering electronically, a confirmation email will be sent once we have received a completed copy of your child’s registration form and payment.

### **When do I need to register my child? Is there a registration deadline?**

Space is limited and will fill up quickly. We encourage you to register as soon as possible to avoid any disappointment. Registration closes the Thursday before the first day of each camp session.

### **Do I have to register my child for the whole summer? Can I register my child part-time for camp?**

You may register for camp by week and only pay for those registered weeks. The YMCA does not offer a part-time schedule.

### **Can I change the weeks my child attends camp?**

We accommodate these changes when we can, however requests must be given at least one week in advance. As long as there is space in the camp or week that you would like to change/add, we can accommodate that change. Keep in mind that deposits are non-refundable.

### **Can I cancel a week of camp?**

Yes, although deposits are non-refundable. As space is limited and we hold a spot for your child, refunds will not be provided unless communicated at least one week in advance (deposit held) or in the case of a medical issue or emergency.