Welcome Camp Hunterdon families!
Every summer has a story and we can’t wait to help your child write theirs! Our staff will help your child foster personal growth and lifelong friendships.

It is mind blowing that we are already a whole month into camp. But we are just getting started on all the fun that is to come.

Next week we will celebrate our Welcome to the West theme; read more on page 3!

We appreciate your patience during drop off and pick up. Please remain in your car to help speed up the process and ensure the safety of all.

Here for you,

Jacob Gleason and Carly Murin
Camp Directors
Flemington at Deer Path Camp

Questions, comments, concerns?
Contact us at flemingtoncamp@ymcabhc.org
Parent reminders

- Campers should come to camp wearing their swimsuit
- Please label all belongings clearly with camper’s name
- Camper’s backpack should include:
  - Lunch (for full day campers only)
    - Lunches requiring a cooler setting may be placed in a hard, washable cooler with an ice pack to keep cool
    - Lunches should not require reheating at camp
  - Two snacks (for all campers)
  - Sunscreen
  - Bug repellent
  - Reusable water bottle
  - Towel
  - Change of clothes
  - Snack bar money if you don’t have a “funfangle” card
- Wear closed toe shoes and comfortable clothing to camp
- No toys, stuffed animals, or electronics permitted at camp
- All medication must be signed in at drop-off with camp leadership
- At pick up, for the safety of your child, a photo I.D. is required everyday to sign out your camper
- Be sure to join our private Facebook group for updates.

Welcome to the West events

- Tuesday, Dress up here
  Dress up description here
- Friday, Special event here
  Special event theme here

Text message alerts

Please complete this form to sign up to receive text messages from your Camp Hunterdon team including weekly hotsheets, weather-related updates, and camp reminders. By completing this form, you are providing consent for YMCA of Bucks and Hunterdon Counties to send text messages to your phone.

Financial assistance

If you have been granted financial assistance, please be sure to bring your financial assistance contract in to have the assistance applied to your camp registrations. If you registered for camp before applying for financial assistance, please make sure that you have brought in your contract to our Welcome Center to have your assistance applied. Please contact Catherine at crefice@ymcabhc.org with any questions.
Adventure Camp
Welcome to the West
July 24-28

Our theme this week is Welcome to the West. Each day, campers will celebrate this theme through games, activities, sports, and crafts. On Tuesday we will dress up info here. The week will end with a camp-wide special event info here.

Conversation starters
Hear in your child’s words how their week at camp is going with these fun conversation starters!

**Tell me about your friends in your group.**
**Talk to me about your favorite part of the camp day.**
**How did you celebrate Welcome to the West week today?**

Snack bar days, see pg. 4 for snack bar information
Cubs- Tuesday/Thursday
Wolves- Wednesday/Friday
Tigers- Wednesday/Friday
Lions- Monday/Wednesday
Eagles- Monday/Wednesday
Specialty- Tuesday/Thursday

Craft of the week:
Good Old Fashioned Friendship Bracelets

1. Choose several strands of embroidery thread in a variety of colors.
2. Measure and cut your first strand.
3. Use the first strand to measure the remaining strands.
4. Pass the first strand over the second strand to tie a knot.
5. Repeat the same knot using the same strands.
6. Continuing the Knot Pattern.
Snack bar

Snacks offered include ice cream, crackers, chips, pretzels, juice and water. The cost of items ranges from $.25 to $2.50.

You will be able to create an account for your camper and track their spending. You only need one online account per child.

If your child attends after care, they will have the opportunity to go to the snack bar daily.

With that said, for PM care campers a $20—$25 card weekly is recommended. If they are 9 AM-4 PM campers a $5.00 card is recommended. You are able to set limits on your campers spending.

Click here to set up or reload your account. You can login to a previous account or set up a new account.

Snack bar cards are non-refundable. Please check your camper’s card regularly and avoid overloading the card.

If you have an issue with the link please contact support@funfangle.com.
Swimming
Swimming is one of the highlights of a camper’s day. At the beginning of each session campers receive a swim assessment. Safety is key! Our counselors, as well as our lifeguards, work together to protect our campers.

Questions about swimming?
Please contact
Flora Mannino
Aquatic Director, at
fmannino@ymcabhc.org

TEST, MARK AND PROTECT (SWIM ASSESSMENT)

RED BAND

⇒ Ask the child if they are comfortable getting into the water on their own
  No - child must wear life jacket and red band
  Yes - continue with test
⇒ Ask the child to submerge their face in the water, then float on their back, roll over, float on front, then roll onto their back.
  No - child must wear life jacket and red band
  Yes - Continue with test
⇒ Ask the child to swim front crawl (face in the water, and arms overhead, half the length of the pool)
  No - child must wear life jacket and red band
  Yes - continue with test

YELLOW BAND

⇒ Ask the child to then roll over and swim on their back to the deep end (elementary or back crawl is acceptable)
  No - Child must return to the shallow end of the pool, and gets a yellow band
  Yes - Continue with test
⇒ Ask the child to jump in and recover, then tread water for one minute
  No - Child must return to the shallow end, and get a yellow band
  Yes - Shallow water test is complete and can move to the deep water test

GREEN BAND

⇒ A child receives a green band with completion of the following skills
⇒ Getting into the pool without assistance
⇒ Ability to submerge, resurface and float for at least 10 seconds without assistance
⇒ Swimming front crawl for a full length of the pool
⇒ Rolling onto their back and swimming a full length of the pool
⇒ Treading water for one minute
Pick-Up Cards

By now you should have received your pick-up card in the mail or at camp. These cards are specific to your child and must be shown daily to pick-up your camper. You may request more cards if you will be authorizing others to pick-up your camper. New authorizations must be submitted via email to your camp at flemingtoncamp@ymcabhc.org Anyone who does not have one of these cards at pick-up must present a driver's license/ photo ID. Our camp staff will match the identification to the information which you provided on your child's health and emergency forms prior to releasing a camper.

Save the date!

Our 12th annual Kids Tri returns to the Doylestown branch on August 13! We welcome new and returning youth athletes of all skill levels ages 3-14 where all will become finish line champions on race day. Race day is a full-family experience like none other, beginning with pre-race entertainment for your youth triathletes as they check-in, the energy and excitement of our Kids Triathlon Village, and a finish line experience that fully embraces our COMPETE TO COMPLETE and Y FOR ALL atmosphere where every athlete is a winner.

Supported by the USA Triathlon Kids Tri initiative, our YMCA Kids Triathlon is unique in that it has one podium, and all will be on it!

Click here to learn more and register!
Curbside drop off and pick up locations

Drop off and pick up procedures

Before camp care begins at 7 AM and drop off is in front of the playground.

9 AM drop-off begins at 8:45 AM. Follow arrows around the parking lot to the drop off tent.

4 PM pick-up is in the same area as the drop off tent, but please park and see the counselor tables for pick-up card check.

After camp care pick-up is in front of the playground.

Always have your pick-up cards and/or photo ID ready at pick-up.

Specialty Camp/Half Day Pickup will take place at the playground! All pickup policies still apply.
Meet your Camp Leadership Team

Meet Rourke Peralta, our Lions Head counselor! Rourke has been a rockstar all summer and the kids love her! Fun fact about Rourke, she holds the school record for 50m Freestyle at Montclair State University.
Staff spotlight

Meet Riley
Riley Ferrara is enjoying her 5th summer as a camp staff member at the Y’s Deer Path branch in Hunterdon County. This summer, Riley has taken on a new role as Administrative Intern and Health Coordinator. Riley received her “Professional Rescue Certification” through the Y and administers first aid for minor injuries like bee stings, bug bites and scraped knees.

Riley is a part of a set of quadruplets and, prior to this year, she and her 3 siblings all worked at the Y’s Deer Path camp (3 of 4 are pictured, Riley is on the left). Riley will be finishing her final semester at Delaware Valley University this fall, where she will earn a degree in business administration with a focus on sports management.

Kristin Heimall, VP of Operations for the Y’s Hunterdon region speaks highly of Riley, stating that “Riley embodies kindness and joy. She brings energy and excitement to any circle she is engaged with. Riley is always willing to step in and lend a hand wherever needed. I am very grateful for all the pre-camp help she did to ensure we were organized for a great summer!”

How to thank our camp staff
Parents, is there a camp staff member who has gone above and beyond to give your child an extraordinary camp experience? Please click here to learn how you can recognize a camp staff member while also supporting a child in your community.