



YMCA CAMP GREIDER PARENT INFO

Thank you for choosing to spend a portion of your summer with us at YMCA Camp Greider! Please carefully review the following information. Feel free to call or email us if you have any questions or concerns. We are excited about the opportunity to provide your camper with a fun filled outdoor adventure. See you this summer!

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1. Arrival & Departure

Campers need to be dropped off at the **MICAH Building** located on the corner of State & Cottage Streets (one block south of the YMCA) every morning between 7:00-8:30am. Campers will board school busses and be transported to YMCA Camp Greider in the West Salem Hills. Campers will return to the MICAH Building for pick up at 5:00pm, extended care is available until 6:00pm at no additional charge. **Please note: Photo ID is required EACH evening at pick up.** Your child will not be released unless proper identification is provided – this is for the safety of your child. Any child picked up after 6:00pm will be subjected to a late fee of \$1 per minute.

2. What to bring

Even though it's summer time, it still gets chilly in the mornings so please send your child with a light jacket or sweatshirt each day. Don't forget to dress them in comfortable play clothes that can get dirty and tennis shoes. **Flip Flops and open toed shoes without backstraps are not allowed at camp.** Teva style sandals with straps are allowed. We will be swimming on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of each session so please pack swimming suit, goggles, and a towel on those days. Aquatics Campers need to bring a swimming suit all week. Horse Campers must bring a pair of long pants to change into while riding. EACH day your camper needs a sack lunch with a beverage and a water bottle. There will be time for a snack when we arrive at camp so please pack them a little something extra in their lunch. *Please label all of your child's belongings! The YMCA is not liable for lost or stolen items.*

3. Lost & Found

All lost & found items will be brought to the Micah Bldng at the end of each week. If you find that something is missing you may call the YMCA Registration Desk at (503) 399-2759 or ask Camp leadership staff during your child's session. All lost and found items will be held for one week and then will be donated to the Y-Service Club for their annual rummage sale.

4. Things NOT to bring to camp...

Video games, cell-phones, cd's, cd players, pagers, 2-way radios, knives, matches, trading cards, lasers, candy, fireworks, money, or anything else valuable. **YMCA Camp Greider is not responsible for lost items.**

5. Behavior Management

In order to provide a safe and fun camp experience for everyone, campers must follow the following rules. Disregard for these rules will result in dismissal from camp. All campers will be expected to listen and follow directions. Hands and body must be kept to yourself. Respect the property of others. Putdowns/Bullying will not be tolerated at camp. Any behavior intended to hurt or intimidate another either physically or emotionally will result in dismissal from camp.

6. Camp Store

Camp Greider offers a camp store each day located at the Micah Bldng. We will have stuffed animals, jewelry, water bottles, lunchboxes, etc.. On Monday morning at check-in you may place money in your child's store account that they can access throughout the week.

7. Medication

If your child has medications, prescription or over-the-counter that need to be administered at camp, please check in with the camp director on Monday morning. All prescription medication must be in their original container with dosage instructions printed on the bottle. Any changes from bottle labeled dosage must be in written form from your child's physician. By law, we can only dispense medications as prescribed and only from the original container. Non-prescription medications will be administered only if the parent has initiated the appropriate medications on the health form or if there are written instructions from the child's parent or physician. If sent, non-prescription medication must also be in the original container and turned in to staff during check-in.

8. Health Forms

The health form enclosed in this packet must be filled out and brought with you the first morning of camp to check-in. Please do not mail your child's health form. Please note that your child cannot attend camp without a completed health form. If your child has one of the following conditions, please contact the camp office (503) 399-2759 immediately for a physician release form: Severe asthma, Heart defect, Heart disease, Seizures, Diabetes, recently hospitalized or currently under a doctor's care.

9. Early camper pick-up

If your child needs to leave camp early or arrive late please give us advanced written notice and we will be sure that your child is ready to go when you arrive. Visitors are not allowed at camp unless they have been approved by Camp Director.

10. Camp Fees & Payments

All camp fees are due by the first day of session unless specific arrangements have been made with the YMCA accountant at (503) 399-2753. Please mail payments to: YMCA Camp, 685 Court St. NE, Salem, OR 97301.

11. Family Campfire

All campers and their families are invited to join us for all Family Campfires! Dates are Thursday July 23rd and Thursday August 27th. Mark your calendars for an evening of fun with activities, skits, songs, and dinner! Pre-registration is required through the registration desk and there is a \$5 per person fee for the dinner with a max of \$20 per family.

12. Open House

You are invited to Open House on Thursday, June 18th from 5:00-7:00pm at Camp Greider for those who would like to meet the staff and tour the facility ahead of time.

13. Optional Overnights

Horse and CIT camps offer an optional overnight on Thursday night the week of their session. A permission slip is enclosed in this packet if you wish for your child to attend, please turn it in at check-in on the first day of your session.

14. Peanut Allergy Families

We have several campers who regularly attend camp with severe peanut allergies. Please refrain from packing peanut related products in camper lunches if possible.