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2026 SUMMER CAMP



FRANZ ROSS YMCA  
YMCA OF SOUTHWEST FLORIDA

# A LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT & CEO

Dear Summer Camp Families,

As the CEO of YMCA of Southwest Florida, I want to personally thank you for choosing our Y for your child's summer day camp experience. We recognize that families today have many options when it comes to summer programs, and we are truly honored that you have chosen to be part of our Y family.

By selecting the YMCA, you have given your child a remarkable gift — the opportunity to learn new skills, build meaningful friendships, and discover their full potential in a safe and supportive environment. Our dedicated team is committed to nurturing each child's strengths and inspiring them to explore, grow, and thrive.

This year, we are proud to offer an expanded lineup of specialty and sports camps in addition to our traditional day camp experiences. These opportunities allow campers to try new activities, gain confidence, and create lifelong memories — all while

reinforcing the values that make the Y a trusted community partner.

Summer is truly one of my favorite times of the year at the Y. There is nothing more rewarding than seeing our campers laugh, learn, and connect through play, teamwork, and discovery. We look forward to an exciting and enriching summer ahead, and we are grateful for the trust you've placed in us to be a part of your child's journey.

Thank you again for choosing YMCA of Southwest Florida. We are proud to serve you and your family — today and always.

With gratitude,



Gene T. Jones  
President and CEO



# IMPORTANT SUMMER CAMP INFORMATION

## HOW TO REGISTER!

**1. Online** You can register directly on our website!

- Go to [www.YMCASWFL.org](http://www.YMCASWFL.org) homepage.
- Click on programs, then Online Program Registration
- Select a location
- Select day camp
- Select a camp!
- Follow prompt to create username or enter your username to move to checkout.
- Day camp registration requires a \$40 registration fee.
- A non-refundable deposit of \$25 will be due at registration per child per week.

**2. At the Branch**

Visit your local Y branch to pick up a full registration packet.

CAMP WEEK	PAYMENT DUE DATE
June 1st - June 5th	May 22nd
June 8th - June 12th	May 29th
June 15th - June 19th	June 5th
June 22nd - June 26th	June 12th
June 29th - July 3rd	June 19th
July 6th - July 10th	June 26th
July 13th - July 17th	July 3rd
July 20th - July 24th	July 10th
July 27th - July 31st	July 17th
Aug 3th - Aug 7th	July 24th

**Camp hours are 7:00am-6:00pm**

**Core hours 8:30am-4:30pm**

**BEFORE CARE:** is 7:00am-8:30am

There is no additional fee for extended care however registration is required to allow for necessary staffing. Before care is included for campers who receive ELC funding.

**AFTERCARE:** is 4:30pm-6:00pm

There is no additional fee for extended care however registration is required to allow for necessary staffing. Aftercare is included for campers who receive ELC funding.

**REFUNDS AND CANCELLATIONS:** Changed your mind?

No problem! All cancellation requests must be made in writing at least 14 days prior to the start of the camp session. Cancellations will result in the forfeiture of the non-refundable deposit per session as well as non-refundable registration fee.

- A full refund (less the deposit and registration fee) will be issued if a written cancellation is received at least 14 days prior to the start of the camp session.
- Cancellations made after the 14 day deadline are not eligible for a refund.

## NEW PARENT ORIENTATION:

May 18, 2026 6:00pm (Virtual)

## OPEN HOUSE:

April 17th 5:30pm-6:30pm  
April 25th 10am-11:30pm (Healthy Kids Day)  
May 15th 5:30pm-6:30pm  
May 20th 5:30pm-6:30pm

## FAMILY EVENTS:

Family Splash Bash (Pool Party)  
June 12th 6-7:30pm

Snow Cone Social

June 26th 5-6:30pm

Luau and Lights Movie Night

July 10th 6-8pm

Creative Campers Craft Night

July 31st 6-7:30pm

## SPECIAL CAMP DAYS:

Week 1 - Cowboys vs Space Invaders  
Week 2 - Bug Bonanza  
Week 3 - Time Travelers  
Week 4 - Paws & Whiskers  
Week 5 - Red, Y-ite and Blue  
Week 6 - Vacation Gond Wrong  
Week 7 - Camp Glitch  
Week 8 - Camplympics  
Week 9 - Full Technicolor  
Week 10 - UnBirthday

**LUNCHES:** We provide lunch and afternoon snacks daily to all our campers. All the meals will be "kid-friendly", healthy, and common allergen free. However, if you would prefer to send your camper with their own lunch, you are more than welcome to. Lunches will be served at midday.

## WHAT TO BRING TO CAMP:

Water bottle  
Comfortable clothes and closed-toed shoes  
Swimsuit & Towel  
Spray sunscreen (apply before arrival)  
Good book to read  
A labeled backpack to hold everything

## WHAT TO LEAVE AT HOME:

Personal toys (we have plenty of things to do during the day!)

Crocs, sandals, or flip flops

Non-Emergency Electronics

*In an increasingly digital age, we believe in the potential for camps to be a place where children learn more than just sports or swim strokes, but where children can truly interact with their peers and form natural, real relationships with one another. For this reason, we ask ALL campers—CITs included—to leave all non-emergency electronics at home.*





# SUMMER CAMP CATEGORIES

Some camp categories are not available at all locations.

## TRADITIONAL CAMPS

Traditional Camps are a great option for the first time camper, the camper with too many interests to choose just one and the experienced camper that has been looking forward to seeing their camp friends all school year long! In Traditional Camp, campers enjoy all of the best that camp has to offer; everything from arts & crafts to wellness & exercise (don't worry—it's disguised as active group games!), and don't forget about science experiments, possible cooking projects or field trips, swimming and much more. Traditional Camp activities follow a central theme that changes each session so each time a camper comes in they are learning and experiencing new things. If you're looking for a fun, well-rounded experience for your camper, Traditional Camp is the one for you!



## AQUATIC CAMPS

Have fun and keep cool this summer! YMCA Aquatic Camps are perfect for children of all ages. Each camper will spend at least two session blocks in the pool participating in a daily lesson, aquatic games and free swim, learning an important life skill. Campers are swim tested daily and placed in color-coded groups based on age and ability.

## TRAVEL CAMPS

Travel Camps take to the road with a combination of exciting field trips & activities in our camp facilities. Campers will enjoy new experiences by taking trips every day. Our trained camp counselors help to ensure every day is safe & supervised, so parents can rest easy knowing their young ones are in a secure environment. Trip destinations can include, but are not limited to, roller & ice-skating, historical destinations, indoor & outdoor amusement parks, pizza & movie day, swim destinations & much more. All travel campers should be dropped off at camp no later than 8:30am & can not be picked up early from any off-site locations.



## STEAM CAMPS

Immerse your camper in the exciting realms of Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics (STEAM) with our hands-on and collaborative camps. Led by experienced instructors, participants will create works of art, explore performance arts, embark on space exploration, delve into engineering marvels, or unravel science wonders through captivating experiments. Our camps cater to campers of all ages, promoting creativity and critical thinking. Join us this summer for an enriching STEAM experience that sparks curiosity & shapes future innovators.

## SPORTS CAMPS

These camps offer a fun-filled sports environment with an emphasis on team work, sportsmanship and basic fundamentals. Part of the day will be spent on your camper's sport focus where they will focus on stretching, warm-ups, skill and drills, educational games and scrimmages. For the rest of the day, campers will experience all the other great activities the YMCA has to offer. Campers will create

their next masterpiece in arts and crafts, explore nature and science, possibly take a dip in the pool and so much more.



## ADVENTURE CAMP (ENGLEWOOD)

In adventure camps, campers will spend the day climbing the alpine tower, rock wall and low ropes course while improving their teamwork and communication skills. Led by certified climbing instructors, this adventure of a week will have campers reaching for new heights! Part of the day will be spent in your camper's specialty focus. For the rest of the day, campers will experience all the other great activities the YMCA has to offer. Campers will create their next masterpiece in arts and crafts, explore nature and science, take a dip in the pool and much more.

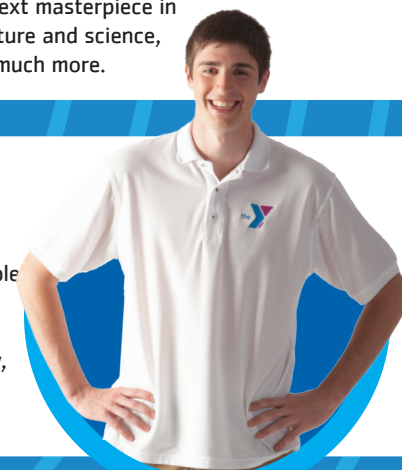


## GYMNASTICS (VENICE)

Gymnastics programs at the YMCA range from classes and summer camps to competitive team. Learn and refine basic skills, improve your balance and coordination while gaining self-esteem. Practice bars, side handstands, beam routines, cartwheels and more. Gymnastics Camps are offered from 5 years and up.

## TEEN LEADERSHIP

At the Y, we help youth set and achieve their personal and educational goals. They gain confidence as they recognize the Y as a place where they belong and can feel comfortable exploring new interests and passions. A unique program designed especially for teenagers and a careful balance of program components has been created to foster creativity, adventure, peer interaction, leadership skills, values and friendships that will last a lifetime.





# FRANZ ROSS YMCA CAMP

				Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Price				6/1-6/5	6/8-6/12	6/15-6/19	6/22-6/26	6/29-7/3	7/6-7/10	7/13-7/17	7/20-7/24	7/27-7/31	8/3-8/7
Ages	Member Cost	Non Member Cost		Cowboys vs Aliens	Bug Bonanza	Time Travelers	Paws ad Whiskers	Red, Y-ite and Blue	Vacation Gone Wrong	Camp Glitch	Camplympics	Color Clash	Unbirthday Party
<b>FRANZ ROSS YMCA (19333 QUESADA AVE. PORT CHARLOTTE, FL 33948)</b>													
TRADITIONAL	5yrs-6yrs	\$157	\$196	Mini Traditional	Mini Traditional	Mini Traditional	Mini Traditional	Mini Traditional	Mini Traditional	Mini Traditional	Mini Traditional	Mini Traditional	Mini Traditional
	7yrs-8yrs	\$157	\$196	Jr. Traditional	Jr. Traditional	Jr. Traditional	Jr. Traditional	Jr. Traditional	Jr. Traditional	Jr. Traditional	Jr. Traditional	Jr. Traditional	Jr. Traditional
	9yrs-11yrs	\$157	\$196	Sr. Traditional	Sr. Traditional	Sr. Traditional	Sr. Traditional	Sr. Traditional	Sr. Traditional	Sr. Traditional	Sr. Traditional	Sr. Traditional	Sr. Traditional
SPORTS	5yrs-6yrs	\$173	\$216	Mini All Star Sports	Mini All Star Sports	Mini All Star Sports	Mini All Star Sports	Mini All Star Sports	Mini All Star Sports	Mini All Star Sports	Mini All Star Sports	Mini All Star Sports	Mini All Star Sports
	7yrs-8yrs	\$173	\$216	Jr. All Star Sports	Jr. All Star Sports	Jr. All Star Sports	Jr. All Star Sports	Jr. All Star Sports	Jr. All Star Sports	Jr. All Star Sports	Jr. All Star Sports	Jr. All Star Sports	Jr. All Star Sports
	9yrs-12yrs	\$173	\$216	Sr. All Star Sports	Sr. All Star Sports	Sr. All Star Sports	Sr. All Star Sports	Sr. All Star Sports	Sr. All Star Sports	Sr. All Star Sports	Sr. All Star Sports	Sr. All Star Sports	Sr. All Star Sports
STEAM	5yrs-6yrs	\$181	\$226	Mini Let's Paint	Mini Sensational Sciences	Mini Let's Paint	Mini Sensational Sciences	Mini Let's Paint	Mini Sensational Sciences	Mini Let's Paint	Mini Sensational Sciences		
	7yrs-8yrs	\$181	\$226	Jr Sensational Sciences	Jr. Let's Paint	Jr Sensational Sciences	Jr. Lets Paint	Jr. Sensational Sciences	Jr. Lets Paint	Jr. Sensational Sciences	Jr. Let's paint		
AQUATICS	5yrs-6yrs	\$196	\$245	Mini Aquatics	Mini Aquatics	Mini Aquatics	Mini Aquatics	Mini Aquatics	Mini Aquatics	Mini Aquatics	Mini Aquatics	Mini Aquatics	Mini Aquatics
	7yrs-8yrs	\$196	\$245	Jr. Aquatics	Jr. Aquatics	Jr. Aquatics	Jr. Aquatics	Jr. Aquatics	Jr. Aquatics	Jr. Aquatics	Jr. Aquatics	Jr. Aquatics	Jr. Aquatics
TRAVEL	7yrs-11yrs	\$236	\$295			Adventure Camp	Adventure Camp	Adventure Camp	Adventure Camp	Adventure Camp			
TEEN LEADERSHIP	12yrs-13yrs	\$157	\$196	Counselors-in-Training	Counselors-in-Training	Counselors-in-Training	Counselors-in-Training	Counselors-in-Training	Counselors-in-Training	Counselors-in-Training	Counselors-in-Training	Counselors-in-Training	Counselors-in-Training
	14yrs-15yrs	\$157	\$196	Counselors-in-Training	Counselors-in-Training	Counselors-in-Training	Counselors-in-Training	Counselors-in-Training	Counselors-in-Training	Counselors-in-Training	Counselors-in-Training	Counselors-in-Training	Counselors-in-Training





## WHY YMCA CAMP?

At YMCA Camp, we believe summer should be more than just time off from school, it should be a time for growth, confidence, and unforgettable memories.

Our camps are built around the YMCA's core values of Caring, Honesty, Respect, and Responsibility, creating a safe, supportive environment where every child feels welcome and included.

Each day, campers enjoy a balance of structured activities and free play, giving them opportunities to explore new interests, build friendships, and develop independence. From swimming and sports to creative projects and team challenges, our programs are designed to keep kids active, engaged, and having fun, all while learning valuable life skills.

Safety is always our top priority. Our staff are carefully selected, trained, and passionate about working with children. With clear supervision, age-appropriate programming, and a focus on positive role modeling, parents can feel confident their child is in good hands.

Most importantly, YMCA Camp is a place where kids can be themselves, try new things, and grow in confidence, one summer memory at a time.



## A DAY AT THE YMCA SUMMER CAMP

Every day at YMCA Camp is thoughtfully planned to keep campers active, engaged, and smiling from drop-off to pick-up.

### MORNING

Campers are welcomed by caring staff and start the day with group activities, icebreakers, and games that help build friendships and set a positive tone for the day.

### MIDDAY

Campers rotate through a variety of age-appropriate activities such as sports, creative arts, STEM challenges, outdoor play, and themed activities. Swim time is a camper favorite and is always supervised by trained, certified staff. Swim may vary from day to day.

### LUNCH & RECHARGE

Campers enjoy lunch with their group, before jumping back into the fun.

### AFTERNOON FUN & SNACK

The afternoon includes hands-on activities, team challenges, and special camp events. Campers also enjoy a scheduled snack break to refuel, relax, and connect with friends before finishing the day strong.

### WRAP-UP

The day ends with group reflection, games, and pick-up. Sending campers home tired, happy, and excited to return the next day.

At the Franz Ross YMCA Camp, every day is designed to be safe, structured, and fun, giving campers a summer full of growth, friendships, and lasting memories.

## WEEKLY SUMMER CAMP THEMES

### Week of June 1st – Out of this World Western

Welcome to the Winter Wonderland—A mashup of cowboy and space apparel and line dancing.

### Week of June 8th – Bug Hunt

Scavenger hunt of bugs placed all over camp for the day

### Week of June 15th – Time Travelers Day

Campers dress from decades past. Counselors from the future. Trivia Challenge game.

### Week of June 22nd – Paws & Whiskers

Picture show n tell. Local shelter fundraiser collaboration.

### Week of June 29th – Red, Y-ite, & Blue

Firecracker Games: game day of relays and water games.

### Week of July 6th – Vacation Gone Wrong

Rained Out! Challenge for campers to be prepared with raincoats or ponchos when the rain suddenly spoils their outdoor fun. Counselors will “sound the alarm” for the races.

### Week of July 13th – Camp Glitch

Glitch Fit, mismatch and backwards clothing.

### Week of July 20th – Camplympics

Around the World. Campers pick and learn about a country and their olympic sports.

### Week of July 27th – Full Technicolor

Nothing but Color!

### Week of August 3rd – UnBirthday

Mad Hatter Hat Design and Tea Party

## SUMMER CAMP LOCATIONS

### CHARLOTTE COUNTY:

COOPER STREET

RECREATION CENTER

650 Mary St.

Punta Gorda, FL 33950

941-505-0999

FRANZ ROSS YMCA

19333 Quesada Ave.

Port Charlotte, FL 33948

941-629-9622

### LEE COUNTY:

BONITA SPRINGS YMCA

27200 Kent Rd.

Bonita Springs, FL 34135

239-221-7560

BONITA SPRINGS

RECREATION CENTER

26738 Pine Ave.

Bonita Springs, FL 34135

239-221-7560

FORT MYERS YMCA

1360 Royal Palm Square Blvd.

Fort Myers, FL 33919

239-275-9622

THREE OAKS MIDDLE SCHOOL

18500 Three Oaks Pkwy.

Fort Myers, FL 33967

239-221-7560

### MANATEE COUNTY:

BRADENTON YMCA

3805 59th St. West

Bradenton, FL 34209

941-798-9622 ext.1

LAKEWOOD RANCH YMCA

5100 Lakewood Ranch Blvd.

Bradenton, FL 34211

941-798-9622 ext. 2

BUFFALO CREEK MIDDLE SCHOOL

7320 69th St. East

Palmetto, FL 34221

941-798-9622

### SARASOTA COUNTY:

ENGLEWOOD YMCA

701 Medical Blvd.

Englewood, FL 34223

941-475-1234

PALMER RANCH YMCA

8301 Potter Park Dr.

Sarasota, FL 34238

941-922-9622

SARASOTA CITY YMCA

1075 S Euclid Ave.

Sarasota, FL 34237

941-955-8194

SKY ACADEMY ENGLEWOOD

871 S. River Rd.

Englewood, FL 34223

941-475-1234

VENICE YMCA

701 Center Rd.

Venice, FL 34285

941-492-9622

Also Serving: DeSoto, Hendry  
and Glades Counties.

Locations may vary, confirm  
with your local YMCA.



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