

YWCA Summer Camp Parent Handbook 2023



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WELCOME

Welcome to the YWCA Northern New Jersey. The following pages contain important information about our program. Please familiarize yourself with the material and keep this manual handy for easy reference.

Our ACA (America Camp Association) accredited summer day camps in Dumont and Mahwah offer a summer of fun, friendships, and adventure for kids of all ages throughout Bergen and Rockland County. We want your child to have a GREAT summer, so the following pages contain important information about our summer camp program. Please familiarize yourself with the material and keep this manual handy for easy reference.

ABOUT YWCA

YWCA is the oldest and largest multicultural women's organization in the world. Across the globe, the YW has more than 25 million members in 122 countries, including 2.6 million members and participants in 300 local associations in the United States.

Our Mission

We're dedicated to eliminating racism, promoting racial understanding, and advancing gender equity.

About YWCA Northern New Jersey



Our YWCA has been serving the community since 1920 with programs that improve lives, inspire change, and create opportunities.

We provide safe, welcoming places for women, girls, and families to learn, share, and grow; support women and girls on their paths to educational, career, and financial success; and advocate for women's rights and civil rights.

We are one of the area's largest providers of childcare and summer camps, a recognized leader in health and wellness programs for seniors, and operator of healing SPACE, Bergen County's only Sexual Violence Resource Center.

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A MISSION**

**eliminating racism
empowering women**

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DIRECT PHONE NUMBERS FOR PROGRAM SITES

Mahwah 201-327-2079

Dumont 201-384-6357

Camp Calendars are located on our website please visit www.ywcannj.org/summer-camp/
Visit and Follow our **YWCA NNJ Facebook Pages** for Daily updates, photos and more!

What to Bring/Wear Each Day

PLEASE LABEL all children's belongings.

- Towel(s)
 - 1 bathing suit
 - Plastic bag to store wet bathing suit
 - Sneakers/Closed toe sandals
 - A refillable water bottle.
 - Sunscreen
 - Lunch in an insulated bag
 - Bug spray-suggested
 - Extra change of clothes-suggested
 - Swim goggles-suggested
 - Swim shoes-suggested for Mahwah campers (for lake/boating)
 - Flip flops –suggested for Dumont campers (for pool)
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- Camp shirts are given to campers on their first day of camp. Wear your camp shirts on Mondays.
 - We are a NUT FREE environment. Do not send food containing nuts.
 - Soda/Energy drinks are not permitted at summer camp. Water or juice is encouraged.
 - Please send lunch in an insulated bag (refrigerators and microwaves are **NOT** available).

ANTI-BULLYING POLICY

In keeping with our mission to promote acceptance and tolerance for all people and in order to keep all the children in our programs safe, the YWCA Northern New Jersey in accordance with its discipline policy, cannot allow any child in our program to hurt or be hurt by others.

This can include physical, emotional, or verbal actions.

Any incidents of the above behaviors will be brought to the attention of the SAP Administration. Each incident will be handled on a case-by-case basis. All discipline actions will be in accordance with the YWCA Northern New Jersey Discipline Policy in an age-appropriate fashion.

The local police department and the Department of Child Protection and Permanency will be notified if any child is found to be in possession of a weapon or anything identified as or used as a weapon. Further action will be under the advisement of the above agencies and the YWCA Northern New Jersey administration.

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURES

- **YWCamp@Dumont** (PLEASE stay in your cars-Valet drop off).
YWCA STAFF will escort your child to their proper group after going through our daily screening process. Pre-camp parents – please walk your camper to the door.

All children must be picked up by the designated time. A parent/guardian (adult over 18) must sign out your camper. YWCA Staff will accompany a group of children to the pickup area. Children will be lined up and parents will have to sign out their camper.

- **YWCamp@Mahwah** - YWCA STAFF will be at each bus stop location and will check in your child before your child can enter the bus. Once all campers have been checked and attendance has been taken, they will then depart for camp. Campers **MUST** wear their seat belt and remain seated during the duration of the trip. Mask wearing is optional for staff and campers. If a parent is running late and has missed the bus they can drop off their child at camp in an emergency situation only. Parents **MUST** contact the bus counselor's phone if they are running late. Multiple late drop offs will result in a late drop off fee.

Late Drop off Policy

- 1st late drop off - no late fee but email sent to document the occurrence
- 2nd late drop off - \$25 late fee letter sent out reminding parents of our policy
- 3rd late drop off - \$50 late fee letter sent out reminding parents of our policy
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BUS INFORMATION

Failure to comply with said rules may result in termination of enrollment.

- Children enter the bus and take a seat (Siblings/same household only can sit together)
- Seatbelts must be worn at all times
- Everyone must be seated until the bus comes to a full stop
- Consuming food or drink is not permitted on the bus
- Fighting, pushing, shoving, yelling or any negative behavior is not acceptable
- Hands (and all other body parts) stay in the bus at all times - no hanging out the window
- Rude, obscene, or intolerant language or gestures are not acceptable

In case of bus changes that would affect campers' pick-up or drop-off times or locations, YWCA staff will send emails to every camper's parent affected by the emergency or change. Bus counselors will follow up with a call/text from their bus phones. Please see bus stop cell phone numbers below. The bus camp counselors will remain with the campers until picked up by parents/guardians, emergency pick-up person or until the situation is resolved.

YWCAMP@Mahwah Bus Drop off and Pickup only (*times and locations subject to change)

Bus Stop Locations - Towns	Address	AM	PM
<input type="checkbox"/> Butler (Richard Butler Middle School)	3 Pearl Place (Parking Lot)	<input type="checkbox"/> 8:15	<input type="checkbox"/> 5:15
<input type="checkbox"/> Dumont (Honiss Elementary School)	31 Depew Street (Large Parking Lot)	<input type="checkbox"/> 7:45	<input type="checkbox"/> 5:45
<input type="checkbox"/> Hackensack (YWCA Northern New Jersey Office)	214 State Street (Parking Lot)	<input type="checkbox"/> 7:45	<input type="checkbox"/> 5:45
<input type="checkbox"/> Oradell (Oradell Elementary School)	350 Prospect Ave (Parking Lot)	<input type="checkbox"/> 8:00	<input type="checkbox"/> 5:30
<input type="checkbox"/> Ridgewood (Christian Reformed Church)	271 Lincoln Ave (Parking Lot)	<input type="checkbox"/> 8:15	<input type="checkbox"/> 5:15
<input type="checkbox"/> Verona (Our Lady of the Lake School)	26 Lakeside Ave (Parking Lot)	<input type="checkbox"/> 7:30	<input type="checkbox"/> 6:00

BEHAVIOR GUIDELINES

We believe in promoting a positive self-image and always encourage and model positive behavior.

When the need to extinguish negative behavior, we rely on non-threatening techniques. First the child is removed from the negative situation and then redirected towards something positive. All major behavior concerns are immediately communicated to parents and steps towards behavior modification are taken.

All incidents of improper behavior are documented in children's files. If the negative behavior still occurs the parents will be informed that the child is permanently dismissed from the program. Severe incidents, as determined by the director will result in immediate termination.

Please see the discipline policies section for more information.

CELL PHONE / CAMERA USAGE

We require children to keep their personal cell phones in their backpack. Cell phones and other handheld devices with cameras are not allowed to be used in the programs. No use of video cameras are allowed.

CHANGES TO REGISTRATION/ENROLLMENT

Withdrawal from program /changes in daily attendance etc. requires notification of one full month prior to the 10th of billing month being affected. More than 4 enrollment changes during the summer will result in a \$50 penalty.

We do not issue credits or refunds for sickness or closings due to inclement weather.

To withdraw from a program contact sapregistration@ywcannj.org

All fees/tuitions are nonrefundable

CHILD RELEASE POLICY

Each child may be released only to the child's parent(s) or person(s) (over age 18) authorized by the parent(s) to take the child from the YWCA and to assume responsibility for the child in an emergency if the parent(s) cannot be reached.

If a non-custodial parent has been denied access, or granted limited access, to a child by a court order, the YWCA shall secure documentation to that effect, maintain a copy on file, and comply with the terms of the court order.

If the parent(s) or person(s) authorized by the parent(s) fails to pick up the child at the end of camp- the YWCA shall ensure that:

1. The child is supervised at all times.
2. Staff members attempt to contact the parent(s) or person(s) authorized by the parent(s); and
3. An hour or more after closing time, and provided that other arrangements for releasing the child to his/her parent(s) or person(s) authorized by the parent(s), have failed and the staff member(s) cannot continue to supervise the child, the staff member shall call the 24 hour State Central Registry Hotline (1-877-NJ-Abuse) [1-877-652-2873] to seek assistance in caring for the child until the parent(s) or person(s) authorized by the child's parent(s) is able to pick-up the child.

If the parent(s) or person(s) authorized by the parent(s) appears to be physically and/or emotionally impaired to the extent that, in the judgment of the director and/or staff member, the child would be placed at risk of harm if released to such an individual, the camp shall ensure that:

- 1)The child may not be released to an impaired individual.
- 2)Staff members attempt to contact the child's other parent or an alternative person(s) authorized by the parent(s); and
- 3)If the YWCA is unable to make alternative arrangements, a staff member shall call the 24 hour State Central Registry Hotline (1-877-NJ-Abuse) [1-877-652-2873] to seek assistance in caring for the child.

*We cannot release a child unless an authorized person can sign the child out.

Parents must inform the Camp Director in advance if someone other than the parent will be picking up. If the pickup person is not listed on the child's emergency data form and we have not been notified by the parent, the Camp staff cannot release the child.

We do require that parents show identification until the staff become familiar with you. This step is taken for the safety of your child.

CONFIDENTIALITY POLICY:

1. Information about a child belongs to the child with the parents acting on the child's behalf. Consequently, parents have unlimited access to the records of their child.
2. No information about a YWCA family may be released to another agency without the written consent of the family, unless required by law.
3. Information that families give to the YWCA staff will be shared with other staff, only on a need-to-know basis.
4. All YWCA staff members are required to treat information about YWCA families responsibly and with discretion. Staff is permitted to discuss information about families with other staff only on a need-to-know basis. Information about YWCA families or staff members is not a suitable topic of casual conversation among staff or in the presence of children.
4. Staff that violates a family's or staff member's right to privacy will be subject to personnel action as determined by the YWCA Northern New Jersey policies and procedures

COMMUNICATION WITH PARENTS

The site's cell phone will be the primary method of communication with parents. Please see site contact information in this handbook. The YWCA utilizes the MYKIDZDAY app, Facebook pages, texts, email blasts as well to communicate with parents.

DISCIPLINE POLICIES AND REMOVAL FROM PROGRAM PROCEDURES

We hold children in the highest regard. We believe in promoting a positive self-image and always reinforce positive behavior. We accomplish this by practicing the techniques of encouragement, acknowledgment of positive behavior, shaping, and role modeling.

All major behavior concerns are immediately communicated to parents and steps towards behavior modification are taken.

All incidents of improper behavior are documented in children's files.

Clear and consistent guidelines are presented to children so that they are aware of their responsibilities and can be held accountable for their behavior.

Forms of Disciplinary Action May Include:

1. 1. Verbal Warning: Minor concerns are handled on the spot with consistency, we remind our participants of the SAP expectations and rules. Explain the rule or conduct that they have violated and state what the next step of discipline will be if this action continues. Examples of violations: not following rules in a timely manner, rough play, or disruptive behaviors.
2. Cool Down Time/ Time Out: We remove the participant from the current activity, giving them a chance to calm down and think about what they've done and what they should be doing instead. Remind the participant of the SAP expectations and rules. Explain the rule or conduct they have violated and state what the next step of discipline will be if this action continues. Example of violations: multiple verbal warnings or being disrespectful towards other participants or staff.
3. Behavior Notification: These are formal notices that document the participant's behavior. The parent/guardian is notified of this documentation and a future action plan is arranged. Examples of violations: reoccurring violations, foul language, or unwillingness to participate in the program.
4. Suspension: If, after behavior modification and above action steps are taken, the negative behavior still occurs, parents will be informed that the child is suspended from the program. YWCA NNJ expects all participants to conduct themselves in a manner that reflects program values of respects and kindness. The participant is not permitted to attend the program for a time which will be determined by the Director of Youth Services. Examples of violations: repeated written notices, running away, fighting, bullying, threatening, or the ft.
5. Dismissal from the Program: While we work hard to ensure that each child in our program is successful, we reserve the right to remove any child immediately when we believe that removal is in the best interest of the child and/or the program. Our first priority is to provide safe, quality care for all children enrolled in our programs but on rare occasions there may be a need to remove a child from enrollment. Some of the reasons for involuntary dismissal might include:
 - a. Failure to adapt - If a child fails to adapt to our program, after an extended time period even though an effort has been made by parents and the staff to integrate him/her into the program, the child may be removed so that his or her parents can find alternate care for their child.
 - b. Eloping/ Aggressive/Disruptive /Unsafe behavior - If a child runs away from program, is aggressive or hurtful to others or if a child's behavior is disruptive to the group, we will make every attempt to work with

the child in respecting others and managing their behavior appropriately. If these behaviors continue the child may be removed at the discretion of the Director.

- c. Abusive/disruptive behavior by parents – We reserve the right to remove any child whose parent behaves in a manner that is destructive, disruptive, abusive, or malicious through their statements or actions toward the staff, their own child, or other parents/children in the YWCA program.
- d. Failure to pay tuition – We may immediately remove any child from enrollment whose tuition is not paid per facility policies.
- e. Failure to maintain required paperwork – Parents are responsible for ensuring that the information in their child's file is complete and accurate at all times. This includes accurate phone numbers as well as ensuring your child has a current physical on file. Failure to keep us informed of changes or failure to submit required paperwork will result in your child's dismissal from the program.
- f. Excessive late pick-ups: We understand that late pick-ups can occur; however, if there becomes a pattern of excessive late pick-ups a child may be removed from the program to allow the parents the opportunity to find an environment that better meets their needs. Please note that when participation in the YWCA SAP/Camp program is dismissed the participant is not permitted to return for the duration of the program's year.

Certain behaviors may result in an immediate suspension or expulsion from program, such as fleeing from program, destruction of property, or intentional physical altercation. Every possible measure will be taken in order to prevent this policy from being enforced.

ENROLLMENT

Registration is accepted throughout the summer season, based on license capacity availability. Registration for the following week must be confirmed by the previous Wednesday. Your child is not considered enrolled until all the required forms are completed in their entirety and all required fees have been paid.

EMERGENCY CONTACTS

Your emergency contacts are very important and should be aware of their responsibility. All emergency contacts should be able to pick up your child within a reasonable time frame if we cannot reach you. Phone numbers **MUST** be updated regularly.

FEES AND PAYMENT POLICES

1. Your credit card statement and/or bank statement will serve as your receipt of payment. We do not issue tax-statements. Our Provider Tax ID is # 22-1494725.
2. If you have a flex spending account and require a receipt for payment, please email your form to **SAPbilling@ywcannj.org**. Our Provider Tax ID is # 22-1494725.
3. Nonpayment or continued late payment could result in your removal from program.
4. The YWCA Northern New Jersey will impose a \$35 service charge if payments are not honored from your credit card or account on file.
5. \$25 service fee will be charged for withdrawals or changes and requires advance notification. (**All fees/tuitions are nonrefundable**). Contact Sapbilling@ywcannj.org

6. **Additional Weeks:** If you would like to add additional weeks during the camp season please email sapbilling@ywcannj.org. Children must be registered by the prior **WEDNESDAY** to start on the following week. **Children registered on Thursday will incur a \$50 late registration fee.** Friday signups are not available.

7. Children not picked up by scheduled pickup time will be subject to the following:

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8. Tuition credit is not given for absence due to illness and or vacation. If the YWCA is required to close due to COVID-19 it will result in a full refund.

HOURS OF OPERATION (*Camp is closed Monday, July 3rd and Tuesday, July 4th)

- YWCAMP@Dumont - *New hours of operation 8:00am - 3:00pm
- YWCAMP@Mahwah - 8:30am - 5:00pm

INCLUSION PLAN

YWCA NNJ knows that after-school programs can positively impact students with special needs and provide opportunities to increase their social skills and it is always our goal to work with any identified child to ensure their success in our group recreational program. Having complete information on each child helps to ensure success, so we request that parents share their child's IEP with us at registration. Children in self-contained classrooms or who receive one-to-one services in school may not be able to receive those accommodations in our program as our ratio is 1 staff member for every 10 children.

Our preferred policy when enrolling a child with an IEP will be:

- Behavioral Specialist will review the IEP
- Behavioral Specialist will contact parents via phone call to discuss the child
- We will request / recommend a site visit for child and parents to meet with the staff. Depending on the success of the 1st site visit we may request another visit with just the child (no parent)
- After the site visit(s) are evaluated, we may enroll the child
- If the program is not a suitable fit, the child will be removed from program.
- The family will be refunded the monthly tuition and will only be charged the fees

INFORMATION CHANGES

Parents are responsible for informing the camp staff of any changes in address, phone numbers and persons authorized to pick up children. It is very important that this information be kept up to date at all times.

MEDICAL & HEALTH POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Your child must have an application w/health and medical information on file along with any necessary medications and action plans the day he/she begins the program. All allergies and medical concerns must be documented on the child's medical and emergency data form. Camp Health Director will review all applications.

Medication will be administered only after the receipt of written approval from a child's parent. This medication must be in its original container, labeled with child's name, physician's name, date, and dosage. Medication will only be administered and recorded by Camp Health Director.

If a child exhibit any of the following symptoms, the child should not attend camp. If such symptoms occur at camp, the child will be removed from the group, and parents will be called to take the child home.

Severe pain or discomfort Acute diarrhea Episodes of acute vomiting Elevated oral temperature of 101.5 degrees Lethargy Severe coughing Yellow eyes or jaundiced skin	Red eyes with discharge Infected, untreated skin patches Difficult or rapid breathing Skin rashes w/ fever or behavior changes Skin lesions that are weeping or bleeding Mouth sores with drooling Stiff neck
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Once the child is symptom-free or has a health care provider's note stating that the child no longer poses a serious health risk to himself/herself or others, the child may return unless contraindicated by local health department or Department of Health.

EXCLUDABLE COMMUNICABLE DISEASES: A child or staff member who contracts an excludable communicable disease may not return without a health care provider's note stating that the child presents no risk to himself/herself or others. Note: If a child has chicken pox, a note from the parent stating that all sores have dried and crusted is required. If a child is exposed to any excludable disease at program, parents will be notified in writing.

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE REPORTING GUIDELINES: Some excludable communicable diseases must be reported to the health department by the YWCA. The Department of Health's Reporting Requirements for Communicable Diseases and Work-Related Conditions Quick Reference Guide, a complete list of reportable excludable communicable diseases, can be found at:

http://www.nj.gov/health/cd/documents/reportable_disease_magnet.pdf

PARENTAL PARTICIPATION

Parents are welcome to observe and participate in the YWCA Northern New Jersey. Your Camp Director welcomes your comments and is available to virtually discuss any aspect of the program.

PERSONAL ITEMS

We encourage children to leave personal items and electronic handheld devices at home. These items can be easily misplaced, lost, or stolen. The YWCA Northern New Jersey assumes no responsibility for misplaced, lost, or stolen items.

POSITIVE DISCIPLINE

YWCA NNJ expects all participants to conduct themselves in a manner that reflects program values of respects and kindness. Any participant whose conduct is inconsistent with these values will be subject to disciplinary action. YWCA reserves the right to take disciplinary action based on what it deems to be appropriate in any given situation. This policy is not all-inclusive and other issues may result in disciplinary action. All past disciplinary actions will be taken into consideration when addressing any violation. YWCA reserves the right to change, alter, our policy at any time.

GUIDELINES FOR POSITIVE DISCIPLINE Positive discipline is a process of teaching children how to behave appropriately. Positive discipline respects the rights of the individual child, the group, and the adult. Methods of positive discipline shall be consistent with the age and developmental needs of the children, and lead to the ability to develop and maintain self-control. Positive discipline is different from punishment. Punishment tells children what they should not do; positive discipline tells children what they should do. Punishment teaches fear; positive discipline teaches self-esteem. You can use positive discipline by planning ahead: • Anticipate and eliminate potential problems. • Have a few consistent, clear rules that are explained to children and understood by adults. • Have a well-planned daily schedule. • Plan for ample elements of fun and humor. • Include some group decision-making. • Provide time and space for each child to be alone. • Make it possible for each child to feel he/she has had some positive impact on the group. • Provide the structure and support children need to resolve their differences. • Share ownership and responsibility with the children. Talk about our room, our toys. You can use positive discipline by intervening when necessary: • Re-direct to a new activity to change the focus of a child's behavior. • Provide individualized attention to help the child deal with a particular situation. • Use time-out -- by removing a child for a few minutes from the area or activity so that he/she may gain self-control. (One minute for each year of the child's age is a good rule of thumb). • Divert the child and remove from the area of conflict. • Provide alternative activities and acceptable ways to release feelings. • Point out natural or logical consequences of children's behavior. • Offer a choice only if there are two acceptable options. • Criticize the behavior, not the child. Don't say "bad boy" or "bad girl." Instead you might say "That is not allowed here." You can use positive discipline by showing love and encouragement: • Catch the child being good. Respond to and reinforce positive behavior; acknowledge or praise to let the child know you approve of what he/she is doing. • Provide positive reinforcement through rewards for good behavior. • Use encouragement rather than competition, comparison or criticism. • Overlook small annoyances, and deliberately ignore provocations. • Give hugs and caring to every child every day. • Appreciate the child's point of view. • Be loving, but don't confuse loving with license. Positive discipline is NOT: • Disciplining a child for failing to eat or sleep or for soiling themselves • Hitting, shaking, or any other form of corporal punishment • Using abusive language, ridicule, harsh, humiliating or frightening treatment or any other form of emotional punishment of children • Engaging in or inflicting any form of child abuse and/or neglect • Withholding food, emotional responses, stimulation, or opportunities for rest or sleep • Requiring a child to remain silent or inactive for an inappropriately long period of time Positive discipline takes time, patience, repetition and the willingness to change the way you d

STAFF INFORMATION

Each camp is led by adult and young adult staff who have been selected for their skills and leadership with children. The Camp Director is the lead onsite staff and supervises the camp staff. All communication should be addressed to the Camp Director. All staff receive training on First Aid/CPR in addition to YWCA policies and procedures in accordance with DOH/ACA licensing regulations.

During summer 2023, each group has one Head Counselor and Counselors, to support a staff to camper ratio of 2 staff to 20 kids. We uphold a high standard of quality, dedication, and commitment when it comes to selecting our staff. Staff members are required to go through professional reference and criminal background screenings before they are hired. Our goal is to provide our staff with the tools and knowledge they need in order to help create and maintain an exciting, enriching, age-appropriate program for your children. Our staff members are required to attend our full day staff orientation at the

beginning of the season. Our staff attend weekly meetings where we discuss programming and issues at summer camp.

SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY:

All staff, parents and program participants must adhere to the YWCA Northern New Jersey Social Media Policy. Parents are not permitted to take photos of other people's children during any YWCA program hours. Social media postings by the YWCA Northern New Jersey are only permitted with the approval of the School Age Program Administration and individual parental consent. Photos and videos are to be taken only by appointed YWCA personnel. Images utilized will be kept for a period of up to three years and will not include any personal information, i.e. children's full names.

Staff and Parents are advised the YWCANNJ does not allow the posting of photos of children in our care to any social media or internet sites without the written consent of the parents and YWCA administration

YWCA BSP/ASP staff are prohibited from posting information about work and/or the children in care. Posting may result in disciplinary action.

The use of television, computers, and other video equipment in a group setting shall be limited to educational and instructional use, shall be age and developmentally appropriate, and shall not be used as a substitute for planned activities or for passive viewing and only when approved by Manger/ Director of Youth Development

Children are not permitted to use cell phones, handheld games, or any technology at YWCA programs without prior approval from Manger/ Director of Youth Development

SWIMMING

For bathing suits: please send athletic, functional bathing suits for all campers.

Acceptable bathing suits include a one piece, a tankini, or a two piece with a top that pulls over the head sports-bra-style, other acceptable bathing suits include swim trunks that provide full coverage and are fitted around the waist.

YWCamp@Dumont campers will be transported to the Dumont Swim Club for swim lessons. Campers will be instructed by certified Lifeguards/Swim Instructors in a chlorinated pool which is closed to the public. Please send your child to camp in their bathing suit and apply their sunscreen prior to arriving (sunscreen will be reapplied throughout the day).

YWCamp@Mahwah campers will have the opportunity to swim daily in our beautiful lake. Swim shoes are highly recommended. Campers will be instructed by certified Lifeguards/Swim Instructors. Please send your child to camp in their bathing suit and apply their sunscreen prior to arriving (sunscreen will be reapplied throughout the day).

Swimming will be weather permitting at both camp locations.