



Welcome to Camp!

FROM THE DIRECTOR

We can't wait to see you at camp!

Our team has been hard at work all year preparing for a summer to remember. We have been busy preparing great activities and special events to keep every camper happy and engaged and to help them grow. Our goals for summer include:

- Gaining social skills
- Becoming more independent
- Growing in confidence
- Becoming more independent

The following information will help you know what to expect this summer. For more detailed information on our policies and procedures, please view our [Camp Guide](#), located on the website.

Please reach out if you have any questions. See you soon at camp!

Camp Director

CAMP LOCATION & CONTACT

Preschool:

100 N Arlington Ave, East Orange NJ

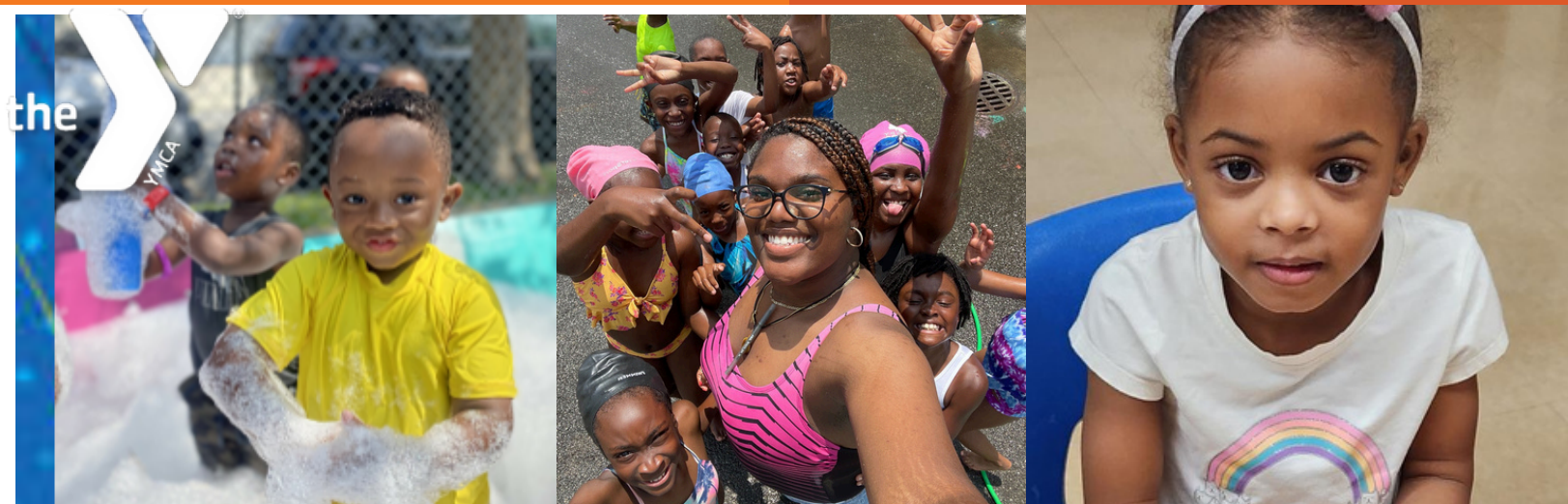
Site Cell Phone: 973-337-0166

School-Age:

159 N. Munn Ave East Orange NJ

Site Cell Number: 973-908-1783

If you have any questions call 973-673-5588 or email Ms. Harris
kharris@metroymcas.org



TOP TIPS FOR A GREAT START TO CAMP

- Talk with your child about camp – it's normal to feel nervous or anxious, especially when it's your child's first time at a camp. Connect with the Camp Director ahead of camp if you have any concerns.
- Leading up to camp, ensure your child is familiar with their belongings and everything is labeled. Review or practice daily routines such as getting changed for swimming or re-packing their backpack.
- Establish a routine, and be prepared that your child may be upset at drop off. Tell them who will be picking them up that day, and please let our staff know and we will gently help your child get involved in an activity and the tears will soon disappear.

LOST AND FOUND

- Clearly label with your child's full name any clothing and possessions that your child brings to camp.
- "Found" items that have campers' names on them are usually returned the same day or the next day
- Please leave all valuables and electronics at home. Check out our [cellphones and screens policy](#) here.

ALLERGY AWARE

- Please ensure that you inform us of known food allergies on the health form and discuss strategies to minimize risks with the Health Care Manager or Camp Director, so we can inform your child's counselors.
- Please provide a Physicians Care Plan and medication as needed.
- Review our [health policies](#) here.

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DROP-OFF PROCEDURES

- Drive Slowly in the parking lot
- Leave cones in parking spots
- Stay in car.
- Pull forward when using drop-off lane
- Have camper exit car using door closer to building
- Any questions please call
- Do not hold line up

PICK- UP PROCEDURES

- Drive slowly in the parking lot
- Park in a parking spot
- Make sure to have ID
- Always check lost & found
- Read information board for important updates

FORMS OF COMMUNICATION

- Emails/PlayerSpace
- Camp Cellphone - hours that it will be checked from 7:45am - 6:00pm
- In-person - time at drop-off and pick-up can be limited for extended conversations. Please reach out to schedule a call at a mutually beneficial time to discuss concerns.

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EO CLASSIFIED CAMPER SURVIVAL GUIDE

Backpack - To carry all items.

Water Bottle - Refillable, labeled with your child's name

Hat and Sunglasses - For sun protection.

Swimwear, Towel, Swim Cap - Mon. Wed. & Thursday

Change of Clothes - In case of accidents or water activities. **Mandatory for groups 1 -4**

Comfortable Shoes - Sneakers, **NO CROCS!!**

Medication - Clearly labeled with instructions (to be handed to the camp nurse). **Sign permission to medicate form**

**Everything should be labeled
with your child name on it**

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Trips

Groups 1-6
Kids Empire
Imagine That
Sesame Place
Crayola Factory

Groups 7 - 10
Bowlero
Bear Mountain
Funplex
River City Gaming

Groups 11 & 12
Bowlero
Camp Mitchy
River City Gaming
Dorney Park

***Subject to Change**

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2025 PAYMENT SCHEDULE

PAY DATE

June 8th

June 15th

June 22nd

June 29th

July 6th

July 13th

July 20th

July 27th

Aug. 3rd

WEEK OF

June 23rd

June 30th

July 7th

July 14th

July 21st

July 28th

Aug. 4th

Aug. 11th

Aug. 18th

Payment is automatically debited out of your account on the pay date. If you wish to change the form of payment you can call our Welcome Center. If you want to pay with a different payment method you can stop by our Welcome Center prior to the Friday before the pay date.

EAST ORANGE YMCA
100 North Arlington Ave.
East Orange, NJ 07017
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EOY SUMMER CAMP 2025

MASTER CALENDAR

*Activities marked with a star mean parents are welcome to attend!

Week 1 Adventure Awaits!

Team games, nature fun, and exciting challenges to kick off the summer!

Week 2 This Is How We Do It

Celebrate camp spirit, teamwork, and showing your true colors!

Week 3 Space Odyssey

Explore the galaxy with space-themed games and STEM fun

Week 4 Superheroes In Training

Create your superhero identity and complete heroic week 3

Under The Sea

Dive into ocean crafts, sea creature fun, and water games.

Week 6 Time Travelers

Travel through time with themed activities from past to future.

Week 7 Lights, Camera, Action

Put on a show with skits, improv, and talent-filled fun.

Week 8 Color Wars

Sand, sun, and beachy fun right at camp!

Week 9

Carnival Craze

End summer with team challenges, games, and camp

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
June 23	June 24	June 25	June 26	June 27
	Guess The Guest		Scoops & Smiles	Dress Down Explorer Attire
June 30	July 1	July 2	July 3	July 4
	Ice Cream Day	Dress Down Anything Orange	Trip Day	NO Camp
July 7	July 8	July 9	July 10	July 11
	Guess The Guest		*Discovery Dome	Dress Down Outer Space
July 14	July 15	July 16	July 17	July 18
	Super Snack Day		Trip Day	Dress Down Superhero
July 21	July 22	July 23	July 24	July 25
Fin-tastic Lemonade Day	Guess The Guest	*Art Show	Splash Bash!!	Dress Down Hawaiian shirts
July 28	July 29	July 30	July 31	August 1
		Friendship Day	Trip Day	Dress Down 70's,80's,90,
August 4	August 5	August 6	August 7	August 8
	Guess The Guest		*Talent Show	Dress Down 70's,80's,90,
August 11	August 12	August 13	August 14	August 15
	Sweet Treat Tuesday		Trip Day	Color WARS
August 18	August 19	August 20	August 21	August 22
	Guess The Guest		Carnival Craze	

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Last Update 04/23/2025

Parent
Packet



Trip
Itinerary



Parent
Guide



Contact

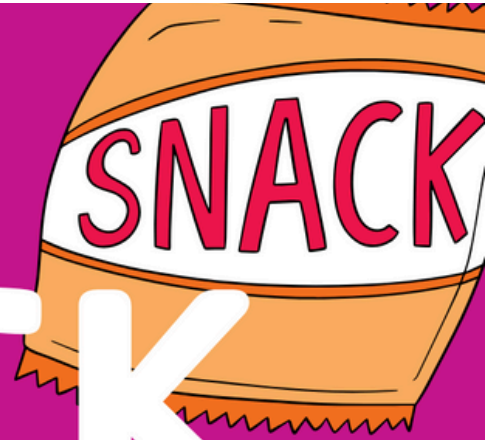
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EAST ORANGE YMCA

SNACK SHACK



This summer, YMCA campers and staff are joining Camp for a Cause to support local kids and families. Let's turn camp spirit into community impact – because every kid deserves a chance to shine.



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