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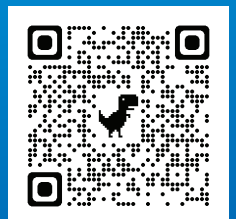


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Newport County YMCA Camp Clarke Summer Camp Guide 2024



NEW!
Register Online!



WELCOME TO THE NEWPORT COUNTY YMCA SUMMER CAMP

Summer is a time for kids to expand their horizons while having a blast. Our staff takes pride in providing youth with a memorable summer camp experience, greeting each camper with a positive attitude and a smile. At the Newport County YMCA, every day is a new adventure! Learn more and find your fun!

CAMP PHILOSOPHY

Camp Clarke strives to instill the Y's four core values of Caring, Honesty, Respect, and Responsibility into every activity — every day.

Caring: Considerate to the needs and feeling of others.

Honesty: Being trustworthy and truthful.

Respect: Treating others, the environment, and yourself with dignity.

Responsibility: Accepting accountability for your role and actions in the community.

GENERAL INFORMATION

HOURS AND DATES

8:30 am – 4:30 pm

Week 1: 6/24–6/28

Week 2: 7/1–7/5 (closed 7/4)

Week 3: 7/8–7/12

Week 4: 7/15–7/19

Week 5: 7/22–7/26

Week 6: 7/29–8/2

Week 7: 8/5–8/9

Week 8: 8/12–8/16

Week 9: 8/19–8/23

Week 10: 8/26–8/30

Please note: The pool will not be available during the final two weeks of camp.

Extended care for an additional fee

Morning: 7:30–8:30 am

Afternoon: 4:30–5:30 pm

Please note: A \$25 Camp Registration Change Fee will occur for any requested camp week changes.

A \$50 nonrefundable deposit is collected at the time of registration.

The Newport County YMCA is proud to once again receive the American Camp Association Accreditation. ACA Accredited camps meet up to 300 standards for health, safety, and program quality.

Camp Clarke has a variety of camps to choose from!

ACTIVITIES INCLUDED

Arts and crafts

Sports and games

Water games

Swimming

High and low ropes courses

Performing arts

Archery

and More!

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Kids do better when they have access to multiple opportunities and resources.

At the Y, we call this our integrated approach to youth development.

Our camper/staff ratios are as follows:

Ages 5&6, 1/6 • Ages 7&8, 1/8 • Ages 9 and above, 1/10

If your child requires additional support to be successful in their age-appropriate ratio, this is a conversation that should happen before camp starts. Please contact annes@newportymca.org



MEET OUR TEAM!

CAMP DIRECTOR

Welcome to Camp Clarke 2024 – your destination for a summer filled with recreation, achievement, and unforgettable memories! Our team has been working tirelessly to create programs promising excitement, growth, and a sense of community for all. Whether you're a returning camper or a first timer, get ready for an adventure like no other.

We believe in fostering a positive, inclusive environment where youth are encouraged to explore new interests, make lifelong friendships, and build valuable skills. Our dedicated staff is committed to ensuring a safe and nurturing experience for each camper. We understand the trust you place in us, and we take that responsibility seriously. Safety and inclusion remain our highest priorities!

Please contact me early and often with any questions or concerns. I am passionate about the value of a positive camp experience. I rely on open communication with families to achieve my goal of creating a magical summer for every single camper.

Warm Regards,

Anne Schultz

Senior Director of Leadership and Inclusion

annes@newportymca.org



CAMP CLARKE COUNSELORS

Every parent wants their child to have great role models...and we've found them! Our staff comes from all over including our very own YMCA Leadership Programs. They understand the magic of camp and work hard to ensure that your child has an amazing camp experience. Counselors are carefully screened and selected based on experience working with children, maturity, positive character traits, and sensitivity. Safety is our top priority. Every member of our team is certified and trained in CPR, First Aid, OSHA regulation and Child Abuse Preventive Education.



COUNSELOR-IN-TRAINING

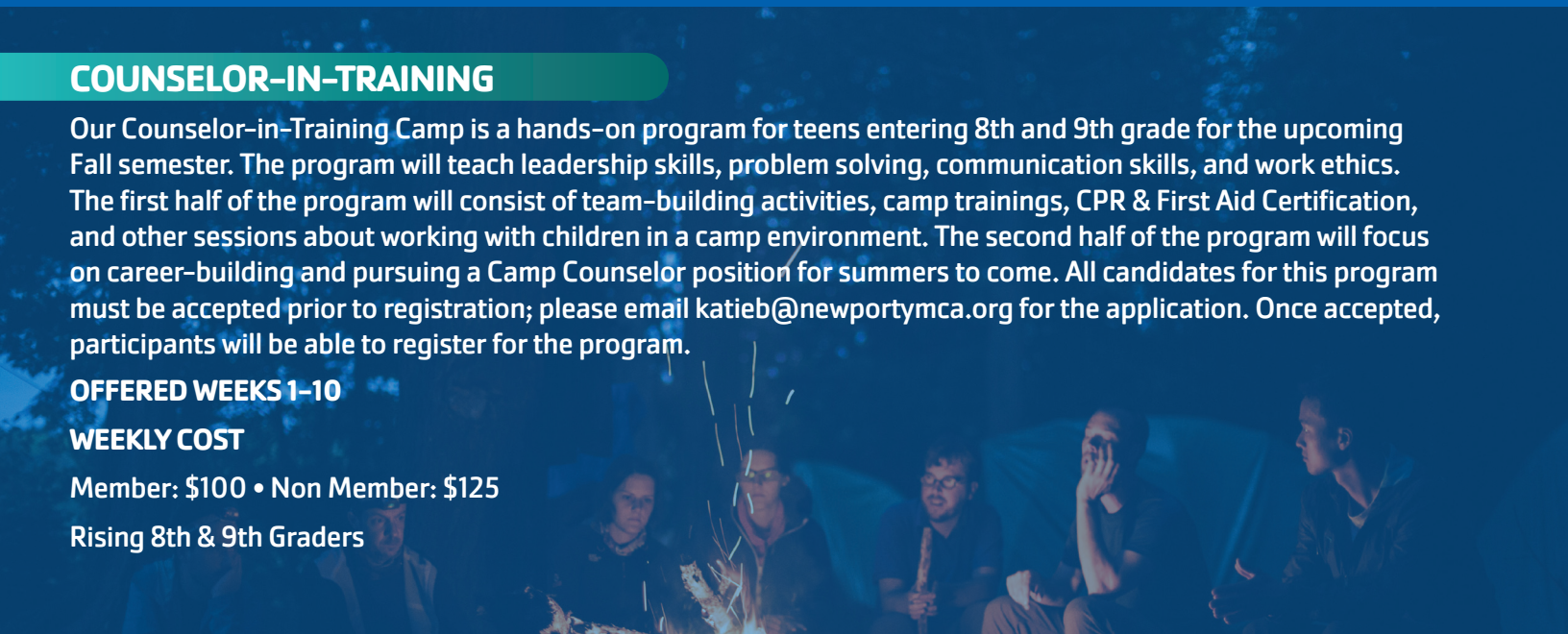
Our Counselor-in-Training Camp is a hands-on program for teens entering 8th and 9th grade for the upcoming Fall semester. The program will teach leadership skills, problem solving, communication skills, and work ethics. The first half of the program will consist of team-building activities, camp trainings, CPR & First Aid Certification, and other sessions about working with children in a camp environment. The second half of the program will focus on career-building and pursuing a Camp Counselor position for summers to come. All candidates for this program must be accepted prior to registration; please email katieb@newportymca.org for the application. Once accepted, participants will be able to register for the program.

OFFERED WEEKS 1-10

WEEKLY COST

Member: \$100 • Non Member: \$125

Rising 8th & 9th Graders



THEMES

WEEK 1 June 24: Aloha Summer

Say ALOHA Summer! Our week will be inspired by adventures above and below the ocean. We will be in search of fun adventures that scream tropical paradise. This week is all about having fun, getting wet and staying cool through it all as we kick off summer camp!

WEEK 2 July 1: Stars & Stripes

Oh say can you see.....another amazing week of summer camp? We will celebrate the birth of our great country with patriotic themed events.

WEEK 3 July 8: Splashtacular

Let's beat the summer heat with a wet and water-filled week of thrilling activities. Campers will be sure to have lots of water fun! Get ready to be in the splash zone!

WEEK 4 July 15: Blast from the Past

It's the counselors' week to take over and plan all of the activities based on the games they participated in when they were in summer camp... just a few years ago!

WEEK 5 July 22: Shark Week

Shark week is finally here!! We are celebrating with the millions of shark lovers worldwide. Take a deep dive with us for a captivating week full of the ocean's most feared creatures.

WEEK 6 July 29: Olympics

Get ready for one of our most popular events! This week, we will learn about the Olympics as each camp prepares for our own annual **COLOR GAMES** on Friday! Camps will compete to see who will bring home the trophy as Camp Clarke's 2024 Color Games Champs!

WEEK 7 August 5: Wacky & Wonderful

Lets get wacky and wild. We will be participating in games and activities that are both wacky and wonderful – there will be something for everyone!

WEEK 8 August 12: Carnival

This week is going to be over the top! Campers will participate in carnival classics including bean bag toss, guessing games, potato sack racing, and many more!

WEEK 9 August 19: Superheros

In honor of all of our superheroes that attend camp – we will test all of our superpowers throughout the week with superhero inspired games and activities.

WEEK 10 August 26: Survivor

WE SURVIVED – NO CAMPERS WILL BE VOTED OUT!!! This week we will celebrate the wonderful summer we had with Survivor themed games and activities.



TRADITIONAL CAMP

Our Traditional Camps are designed for youth seeking a diverse daily experience of variety and enrichment. This camp provides many opportunities for everyone to shine by exposing campers to sports, arts & crafts, archery, adventure courses, swimming, social & emotional learning, and character development. Our goal is to guide youth in discovering new interests and developing confidence. Our counselors strive to nurture emerging friendships within our small camp families.

OFFERED WEEKS 1-10

WEEKLY COST

Member: \$225 • Non Member: \$275

Sailors 5-6 years old

Navigators 10-11 years old

Mariners 7-9 years old

Voyagers 12+ years old

AQUATICS CAMP

Aquatics Camp provides an introduction and refinement to kayaking, paddle boarding, beach sports, and other fun aquatic adventures. Campers will enjoy a wide variety of aquatic experiences at local beaches and programs at the Y including the ropes course, pool, boogie boarding, and more! Our staff are all lifeguard certified and trained in the skills they are instructing. All Aquatics campers must be strong swimmers who are able to complete specific swimming requirements. Campers must be swim tested before registering.

Junior Aquatics – 6–8 years old, 25 yard swim test

Water Sports Camp – 9–13 years old, 50 yard swim test and 2 min tread

OFFERED WEEKS 1–9 • WEEKLY COST: Member: \$249 • Non Member: \$299



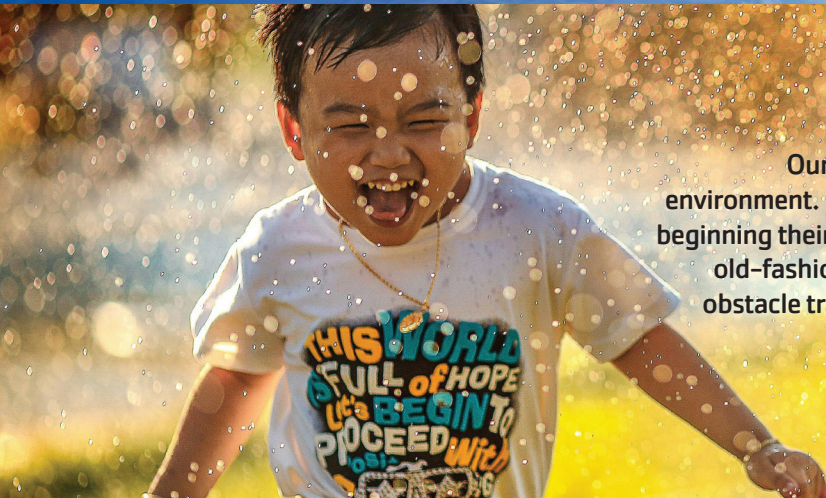
NINJAZONE CAMP

6–11 years old

Our Ninja Camp involves a variety of activities in a safe and exciting environment. Ninjas will have a balanced day of indoor and outdoor activities, beginning their day outside for games, challenges, water slide, and some good old-fashioned summer fun. NinjaZone combines gymnastics, martial arts, obstacle training, and freestyle movement. Daily activities include drills for skills, obstacle courses, strength challenges, and games.

OFFERED WEEKS 2–9

NINJAZONE CAMP COST: Member: \$249 • Non Member: \$299



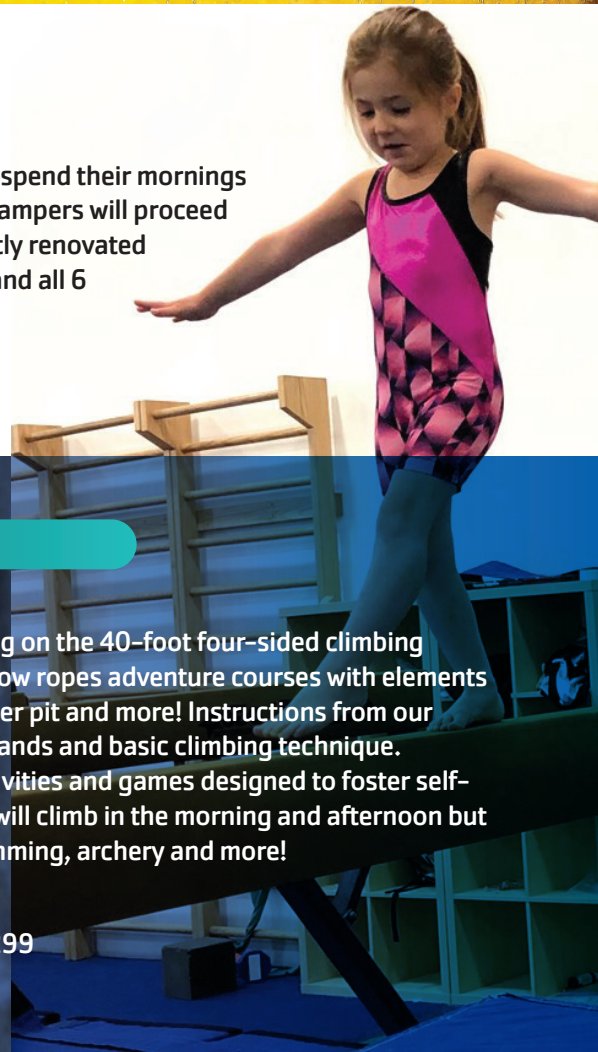
GYMNASTICS CAMP

JR Gymnastics Camp, 5–7 Years Old • Gymnastics Camp, 8–12 Years Old

For a high energy, fun experience, Gymnastics Camp is the place to be. Campers will spend their mornings outside playing games, doing arts and crafts, water games, and more. After lunch, campers will proceed into the Gymnastics Center where they will be grouped by age and ability. Our recently renovated gymnastics center includes competition-ready equipment for all 4 women's events and all 6 men's events, a foam pit, a Tumbl Trak, as well as a bouldering wall.

OFFERED WEEKS 1–10

WEEKLY COST: Member: \$249 • Non Member: \$299



OUTDOOR ADVENTURE CAMP

8–13 years old

Come experience an exciting week of rock climbing on the 40-foot four-sided climbing tower! Campers will also spend time on high and low ropes adventure courses with elements such as the vertical playpen, catwalk, peanut butter pit and more! Instructions from our certified team will include knot tying, belay commands and basic climbing technique. Campers will also participate in team building activities and games designed to foster self-confidence and a sense of belonging. This group will climb in the morning and afternoon but will also include traditional activities such as swimming, archery and more!

OFFERED WEEKS 1–9

WEEKLY COST: Member: \$249 • Non Member: \$299



**BY POPULAR DEMAND —
SPORTS CAMP IS BACK!**

Ages 7-13

Rookies – Ages 7-9

Rising Stars – Ages 10-11

MVP's – Ages 12+

Calling all sports enthusiasts! Through exposure to a variety of sports and games, campers will develop coordination while learning the importance of fair play, cooperation, and healthy competition. This camp is designed to equally engage beginners as well as experienced athletes. If your child leaves camp with a new appreciation of competitive sports, we will have succeeded!

OFFERED WEEKS 1-10

WEEKLY COST:

Member: \$249 • Non Member: \$299



CAMP CFP

Camp CFP is located in Portsmouth, RI, at our secondary location. Our traditional camps at Common Fence Point are designed for the well-rounded youth seeking a diverse daily experience of variety and enrichment by exposing our campers to sports, arts & crafts, archery, swimming, social & emotional learning, and character development. Our goal is to guide youth in discovering new interests and developing confidence. Campers will enjoy a NEW gaga pit games, trips to the Newport County YMCA, and more!

Half Day 8:30am-12:00pm

Available for Ages 3&4

Full Day 8:30am-4:30pm

Available for Ages 5-12

WEEKLY COST:

Full Day Option Ages 5-12

Member: \$225 Non Member \$275

Half Day Ages 3&4:

Member \$120 Nonmember \$135

(Two and Three day options available as well)

OFFERED WEEKS 1-9

WEEKLY COST:

Member: \$195 • Non Member: \$225



RACE4CHASE

The Race4Chase program was created in memory of Chase Kowalski. Chase was an amazing son, brother, and friend who was taken from the world on 12/14/12 in the Sandy Hook Elementary School tragedy. He loved sports of all kinds and had an incredibly competitive spirit. His family's vision is "to turn tragedy into triumph by healing and strengthening our families and communities". The Kowalski family wanted to capture Chase's competitive spirit and vitality in creating a charity in his honor with a focus on health and wellness for children and their families. They formed the CMAK (Chase Michael Anthony Kowalski) Foundation with a focus on health and wellness for children and their families. You can support programs like Race4Chase by making a contribution to the Community Support Campaign or become a Race4Chase Chasing Summer Event Sponsor. For more information, or to discuss sponsorship opportunities, please visit the YMCA's website at www.newportymca.org.

On August 11, 2024, the Newport County YMCA will host an end of summer celebration called "Chasing Summer" at Fort Adams. The event is the celebration of the Y's Race4Chase Kids Triathlon Program. The Program aims to provide kids aged 6-12 with a safe, healthy, non-competitive environment to discover the sport of triathlon.

This 6-week training program is offered free of charge to children ages 6-12 and is by application only. Application date TBD. The program meets daily and is a 3-hour clinic. The session starts for 2024 on July 5.

Contact Kathy Lavigueur at kathylav@newportymca.org or 401 847 9200 ext 119



Partial Day Clinic Options



READING REAPS REWARDS

The Newport County YMCA is proud to continue our participation in Reading Reaps Rewards (R3), an evidence-based program designed to help students maintain literacy skills through interactive, engaging, and educational activities. During the six-week program, students benefit from daily literacy instruction provided by certified teachers.

The R3 program is a great learning opportunity for Newport and Middletown elementary-aged children. It is important to note that this program is a 6 week commitment; enrolled children must attend for the 30-day duration. Children who attend the YMCA program year round are encouraged to apply.

Students must be in grades 1-4.

Availability is limited; participants will be approved based on need for the services.

PLEASE NOTE: This program is FREE as a result of generous grant funding. Please contact Anne Schultz at annes@newportymca.org for an application.

RACKETS CLINIC

Rackets camp is an exciting summer program for children aged 4 to 14 who are looking to learn the basics of Squash, Tennis and Pickle ball. It is a great opportunity to improve racket skills in a fun and healthy way.



The camp will run from
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Monday – Friday

WEEKLY COST

Member: \$195

Non Member: \$249

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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

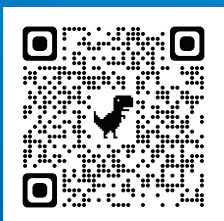
No one will be denied the opportunity to participate in YMCA activities due to inability to pay program or membership fees. Confidential scholarship assistance is available.

Financial Assistance deadline: June 1, 2024

In order to receive assistance, you must complete a camp financial assistance application packet. Along with the packet, you must submit two of the following income verifications when you apply: Federal Income Tax Filing for the previous year, Two months of paycheck stubs, Current statement of award of benefits, Most recent unemployment check stubs, Two months of bank statements.

Download the form on our website at newportymca.org/membership/financialaid or stop by the YMCA and pick up a form at the Welcome Center.

Send the completed applications by email to kassiev@newportymca.org



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