



SOUTH SHORE YMCA

# 2026 DAY CAMP



## SUMMER 2026 CAMP GUIDE

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# WELCOME!

## A MESSAGE TO PARENTS & GUARDIANS

Welcome to South Shore YMCA Day Camp! We're thrilled to share another exciting summer with your camper.

At the Y, we believe camp is more than just summer fun: it's a place where kids build lasting friendships, celebrate achievements, and discover a true sense of belonging. Each day at camp is filled with opportunities for your camper to explore new interests, grow in confidence, and develop skills that last far beyond the summer months. With the guidance of caring YMCA staff, campers learn the values of teamwork, independence, and resilience: all while having the time of their lives.

Thank you for choosing South Shore YMCA Day Camp. We can't wait to see your camper learn, laugh, and create memories that will last a lifetime!

## OUR STAFF & PHILOSOPHY

Our philosophy is to make the most of our opportunity to have a positive influence on the lives of children. Everything we do here at camp— every activity we lead, every decision we make, every policy we apply— is guided by the firm belief that we are responsible for the children we lead. We are responsible for showing them the YMCA core values of how to be honest, caring, respectful, and responsible members of the community.

Camp is a place for children to make friends, to try new things, to explore, to take risks, to actively use their imagination and to be themselves. Add the support and encouragement of positive adult role models, and all these ingredients come together to boost confidence, self-esteem, social skills, and children's overall healthy lifestyle.

2026 CAMP SEASON									
WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4	WEEK 5	WEEK 6	WEEK 7	WEEK 8	WEEK 9	WEEK 10
June 15–19	June 22–26	June 29–July 3	July 6–10	July 13–17	July 20–24	July 27–31	August 3–7	August 10–14	August 17–21

## REGISTRATION DATES

SSYMCa Members: Begins January 3, 2026, 8:30 AM

Returning Camp Families: Begins January 10, 2026, 8:30 AM

Public Registration: Begins January 17, 2026, 8:30 AM

## SOUTH SHORE YMCA DAY CAMP

Camp Gordon Clark | 75 Mill St, Hanover

Match Point Tennis Camp | ArtsCamp | Emilson YMCA Campus

Nature Adventures Camp | 48 Jacobs Ln, Norwell



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# CAMP GORDON CLARK

TRADITIONAL DAY CAMP PROGRAM | AGES 3-15 | EMILSON YMCA

Located on the Emilson YMCA campus in Hanover, Camp Gordon Clark offers a classic Y day camp experience filled with adventure, friendship, and discovery. Campers enjoy a little bit of everything, trying new activities, building skills, and making memories that last all summer long.

## HALF DAY CAMP MORNING EXPLORERS | AGES 3-5

Morning Explorers is the perfect first step into the world of camp, specially designed for our youngest campers. With age-appropriate activities, caring staff, and a gentle daily routine, including daily swim time, kids get to explore, play, and build confidence in a safe and nurturing environment. It's the ideal way to dip into the camp experience and start making memories that last a lifetime! This half-day camp runs from 8AM-12PM.

## LOWER CAMP | AGES 4-7

Every day brings something new at camp! Campers will dive into a week packed with classic camp favorites: arts & crafts, field sports, drama, and exciting new games, plus a daily swim in our outdoor pools. Campers build friendships, try new things, and grow together. Each week is all about having fun, building community, and creating memories that last a lifetime.

## UPPER CAMP | AGES 8-12

Alongside classic camp favorites, campers will get to try exciting activities like SkyTrail and archery, adding a thrill to the week! Each day includes open swim in our outdoor pools and a variety of group activities that keep the fun going. From traditional games like soccer and four-square to fresh favorites like Pickleball, there's always something new to explore.



## TEENS & LEADERS IN TRAINING

### VOYAGERS | AGES 13-14

Voyagers is designed for teens ready to take camp to the next level with off-site adventures that change each session. From scavenger hunts and museum visits to hikes, beach days, laser tag, and even Duck Boat Tours—every week offers something exciting. Carefully planned for safety, this program is perfect for teens looking for a fresh, dynamic camp experience beyond the traditional setting. A detailed schedule will be shared before each session begins.

### LEADERS IN TRAINING | AGE 15

The LIT program is designed for teens ready to grow as leaders at camp, in school, and in their communities. Through a mix of hands-on experience and team-building activities, participants develop real leadership skills by assisting with camp groups and helping lead activities alongside senior staff. With a blend of learning and active, experiential training, LITs gain the confidence and tools to become positive role models and future camp leaders.

**PLEASE NOTE: Group placement requests are not accepted for any camp programs.**

# SPORTS CAMPS

AT CAMP GORDON CLARK | AGES 6-12 | EMILSON YMCA

Whether your camper is picking up a new sport or sharpening their skills, our Sports Camps serve up plenty of action and excitement! Each day blends focused sports instruction with traditional camp adventures like swimming, arts & crafts, and group games: creating the perfect balance of play, learning, and summer fun.

## **SOCER CAMP JR & SR | AGES 6-8 & 9-12**

Perfect for the camper who loves the game and wants the full camp experience! Campers start their day on the field developing soccer skills through drills, games, and scrimmages, then the rest of the day is filled with traditional camp activities & fun.

## **FLAG FOOTBALL JR & SR | AGES 6-8 & 9-12**

Designed for campers who love to play and stay active, Flag Football Camp combines the excitement of the game with the fun of traditional camp! Each day includes skill-building drills, strategy sessions, and friendly scrimmages. When they're not on the field, campers dive into classic camp activities.

## **GOLF CAMP | AGES 9-12**

Want to learn the game of golf or sharpen your swing? Golf Camp starts the week with fun mini golf before heading to Harmon Golf Club in Rockland three days a week to practice with a club pro. Campers learn swing techniques, putting, and course etiquette while playing one of the par 3s. Beginners welcome: no equipment or experience needed!

## **BASKETBALL CAMP JR & SR | AGES 6-8 & 9-12**

Campers spend part of their day sharpening their skills with drills, shooting practice, and scrimmages. The rest of the day is filled with classic camp fun. Whether you're aiming to improve your game or just love being part of a team, this camp is the perfect slam dunk for an unforgettable summer!

## **ALL SPORTS CAMP | AGES 9-12**

For campers who love variety and want to try it all! At All Sports Camp, each week is packed with a mix of sports, from soccer and flag football to basketball, volleyball, and more. Campers develop new skills, discover new favorites, and enjoy traditional camp activities.

For all sports camps, campers should wear appropriate athletic clothing and footwear. Cleats and sport-specific equipment are not required.

## **GYMNASICS CAMP | AGES 6-12**

Flip, jump, and tumble into fun at our Gymnastics Camp! Campers spend part of their day in our state-of-the-art, air-conditioned facility, practicing skills on all four Women's Olympic apparatus, plus the in-ground tumble track and foam pit, all led by our experienced Y coaches. The rest of the day is filled with traditional camp activities.

**Please note:** Campers walk about 5 minutes by path to and from the South Shore YMCA Gymnastics Center.

## **CHEER CAMP JR & SR | AGES 6-8 & 9-12**

Ready to bring the energy and spirit? Cheer Camp combines skill-building in cheer and dance with all the classic camp fun you love. Campers learn cheers, chants, and choreography while building confidence, coordination, and team spirit. Between routines, they'll enjoy swimming, arts & crafts, and group games that keep the excitement going!



# MATCH POINT TENNIS CAMP

AT CAMP GORDON CLARK | AGES 6-12 | EMILSON YMCA

For over a decade, the South Shore YMCA Match Point Tennis Camp Academy & Camp has been serving up summer fun: helping players of all skill levels sharpen their game, build confidence, and make lasting friendships on and off the court. Please note: Campers must bring their own tennis racket.



## MATCH POINT TENNIS CAMP

[ssymca.org/matchpoint](http://ssymca.org/matchpoint)

Whether your camper is picking up a racket for the first time or looking to take their game to the next level, Match Point Tennis Camp serves up a perfect mix of learning and fun! Campers build tennis skills through drills, games, and match play, grouped by ability to ensure the right challenge for everyone. Each day combines on-court action with traditional camp adventures like swimming, arts & crafts, and group games. With both half- and full-day options for ages 6-12, it's the ultimate summer experience for young players ready to learn, grow, and make new friends!

# SPECIALTY ENRICHMENT CAMPS

AT CAMP GORDON CLARK | AGES 6-12 | EMILSON YMCA

Designed and led by our dedicated Camp Gordon Clark staff, our Specialty Camps give campers hands-on experiences in a focus area they love. Each day, campers dive into their specialty for half the day, then enjoy classic camp fun and creative projects like swimming, group games, and arts & crafts.

## GENERAL LEGO JR. & SR. | AGES 6-8 & 9-12

Campers spend part of their day constructing amazing creations using LEGOs—building everything from imaginative structures to cool vehicles. Alongside hands-on building fun, campers enjoy classic camp activities like swimming, arts & crafts, and group games. It's the perfect mix of creativity, teamwork, and summer fun that lets imaginations run wild and friendships grow!

## LEGO ROBOTICS SR. | AGES 9-12

Campers spend part of their day designing and constructing their own robotic creations using LEGO kits, then bring them to life through coding and teamwork. When they're not engineering cool machines, campers enjoy classic camp activities like swimming, arts & crafts, and group games. It's the perfect mix of creativity, problem-solving, and summer fun that sparks imagination and inspires the engineers of tomorrow!

## GENERAL SCIENCE JR. & SR. | AGES 6-8 & 9-12

Campers spend part of their day conducting fun experiments, exploring hands-on projects, and discovering the magic behind everyday science. The other half of the day is filled with classic camp favorites like swimming, arts & crafts, and group games. It's a perfect blend of learning, creativity, and outdoor fun that sparks curiosity and inspires young scientists to explore the world around them.

## ROCKET SCIENCE SR. | AGES 9-12

Campers will spend part of their day learning the science behind rockets, designing and launching their own mini rockets, and exploring the wonders of space. When they're not reaching for the stars, campers enjoy classic camp fun like swimming, arts & crafts, and group games. It's a high-energy mix of hands-on learning, creativity, and summer adventure that fuels curiosity and inspires young scientists to aim for the sky!

## FOOD, FUN, AND FARMING | AGES 6-8

Located at the SSYMCA Family Farm in Hanover, this camp combines nature explorations and scientific discovery with farm-focused learning. Campers will participate in farm tasks including planting seeds, caring for seedlings, harvesting vegetables, and preparing the harvest for tasting or food pantry delivery. Daily activities may also include agriculture-based STEM programs, team building activities, art projects, and short hikes.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Campers will walk 5 minutes to and from the South Shore YMCA Family Farm. Trying foods will be a part of this program. All foods will be peanut free, but may contain dairy and/or gluten.



# ARTSCAMP

AT CAMP GORDON CLARK | AGES 6-14 | LAURA'S CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Calling all young artists! Each week is filled with creativity, imagination, and hands-on fun. Campers spend their mornings exploring art projects and creative expression, then enjoy afternoons of swimming and a specialty class. It's the perfect chance to try something new, build skills, and make friends along the way, no experience necessary!

## MUSICAL THEATRE | AGES 5-13

Explore the world of musical theatre as you dance, sing, and act these beloved musicals to life! Musical Theatre is held in two-week sessions. Culminates in a final performance to be shared virtually for family and friends.

Alice in Wonderland | Ages 6-13 | Weeks 1 & 2

Magic Treehouse: Dinosaurs Before Dark | Ages 5-9 | Weeks 5 & 6

Elf Jr. | Ages 6-13 | Weeks 7 & 8

## WILD & WONDERFUL ART | AGES 5-9

Nature and art have always gone hand and hand! Step outside and learn how your inner artist takes in the natural world. Get inspiration from nature and use materials found in nature to create your artwork.

## PETITE ARTISTES | AGES 5-9

Inspired by the world of contemporary and master artists, explore, play, and experiment using various tools and techniques to create your portfolio.

Week 1: Mark Rothko

Week 5: Yatoi Kusama

Week 6: Salvador Dali

Week 8: Grandma Moses

## INTERIOR DESIGN | AGES 7-14

Turn those late-night room arrangements into a passion! Discover the many different styles of spaces and color palettes to inspire your next living space decor. Customize your dream space with everything from furniture, rugs, wallpaper and more.

## FASHION 101 | AGES 6-14

What better way to express yourself than with fashion! Discover various fashion trends, pioneers, and color wheels to inspire your own creations. Learn what styles draw your eye and how to create them into your own pieces.

## EXPLORE THE ARTS | AGES 5-14

Send off summer with a celebration of the arts! Campers explore performing, visual, and digital arts through set design, improv, and creative storytelling. Young artists enjoy a week of hands-on projects and fun to wrap up a summer full of imagination and creativity.

## CREATORS IN TRAINING | AGE 15

Creators in Training helps campers develop leadership skills through the arts and camp community. Participants assist ArtsCamp groups, shadow theatre directors, and help younger artists gain confidence and creativity. The program emphasizes teamwork and hands-on learning. Prior ArtsCamp experience is preferred but not required.

## TEEN THEATRE PRODUCTION | AGES 9-14

Teens take the stage in this cherished ensemble production, sharpening your singing, acting and dance technique over the course of two weeks. Culminates in a final performance to be shared virtually for family and friends!

Shrek Jr. | Weeks 3 & 4

## NEW! LITTLE LIMELIGHTS: HALF-DAY | AGES 3-5

Take the first steps into the world of musical theatre with this program designed for the youngest of actors! Campers will learn the basic fundamentals of acting, signing, which will culminate in a final medley performance! This half day camp runs from 8A-12P.

Disney Heroes Vs. Villains | Week 5

Broadway Hits | Week 6

Nursery Rhymes | Week 8

## TINY TWIRLERS DANCE | AGES 5-9

This class is filled with laughter, joy, and the pure excitement of movement. Watch as your child discovers the joy of dance in a playful and supportive environment. Our experienced instructors specialize in introducing young dancers to the fundamentals of various dance styles, fostering creativity, and building a strong foundation for future dance endeavors.

## DIGITAL MUSIC CREATION | AGES 7-14

Combine your musical talents and digital skills to create any and all types of videos! Campers will learn the intricate ways of music editing as well as create their very own formula of video and music overlaying to take their music video creations to the next level. Pull inspiration from your favorite genres of music and see what you can bring to life.

## BEHIND THE LENS: FilmPRO | AGES 7-14

Join us in our state-of-the-art digital media lab to experience the art of film production! Work to produce an original work from learning to use the technology, basic script writing, filming, and editing your work for final touches! Cameras and editing software will be provided during camp sessions.

## BEHIND THE LENS: PhotoPRO | AGES 7-14

See the world through your lens as you learn how to tell a story through photography! Campers will learn how to use the technology, accessories, creativity, and editing software to portray their story through the photos they take during the week. Cameras and printers will be provided.

## MUSIC VIDEO PRODUCTION | AGES 7-14

Combine your musical talents and digital skills to create any and all types of videos! Campers will learn the intricate ways of music editing as well as create their very own formula of video and music overlaying to take their music video creations to the next level.

## STOP MOTION VIDEOS | AGES 7-14

Campers will work together to create their own stop motion masterpiece! They will use action figures and create their own backdrops or use green screen technology to film these videos. They will edit and film these videos together to be able to share with family and friends.

## ESPORTS | AGES 7-14

Esports Camp introduces campers to the exciting world of competitive gaming in a fun and supportive environment. Campers learn teamwork, communication, and strategy while developing good sportsmanship and leadership skills. Guided by experienced staff, players gain confidence both in and out of the game.



# NATURE ADVENTURES CAMP

AGES 3-15 | SOUTH SHORE YMCA NATURE CENTER

The mission of South Shore YMCA Nature Adventures Camp is to educate, excite, and inspire campers to preserve the environment and to encourage responsible use, stewardship, and enjoyment of our natural resources.

**LOCATION:** South Shore YMCA Nature Center, 48 Jacobs Ln. Norwell, MA.

## HALF DAY CAMP | AGES 3-5 | TADPOLES & CHIPMUNKS

Our youngest campers discover the wonders of nature through hands-on activities like nature walks, stories, crafts, music, and meeting live animals. They use their senses to explore, share, and learn together while becoming friends of the natural world.

### 2026 WEEKLY CAMP THEMES

WEEK 1: Flora, Fauna, & Fungi – Oh My!	WEEK 6: Galactic Blast-Off
WEEK 2: Dinosaur & Prehistoric Palooza	WEEK 7: Creepy Creatures of the Night
WEEK 3: Colors of Nature	WEEK 8: Fresh Water Finds
WEEK 4: Things with Wings	WEEK 9: Camp Samplah
WEEK 5: Shark Week (Who-Ha-Ha)	WEEK 10: Go Green!

## LOWER CAMP | AGES 5-6 | RACCOONS & OWLS

Our lower camp campers investigate nature and nature-based themes through hands-on, age-appropriate curriculum which includes live animal encounters, team building games and activities, nature hikes, experimentation, and crafting.

## UPPER CAMP | AGES 7-11 | OTTERS & COYOTES

Our upper camp campers investigate nature and nature-based themes through hands-on, age-appropriate curriculum including live animal encounters, team building games and activities, nature hikes, experimentation, and crafting. The Otters and Coyotes groups will have the opportunity to canoe on Jacobs Pond.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Group placement requests are not accepted for any camp.



## SPECIALTY ENRICHMENT CAMPS

These camps are for those looking to concentrate on a specific area, whether seeking in-depth experiences in nature, or building upon a current STEAM passion. Theme specific topics are enhanced and supported through the Nature Center Environmental Educators and other local experts.

### ADVENTURE SKILLS | AGES 9-11

Could your camper survive in the wild? Campers will learn essential outdoor skills: no electricity required! From fire building and orienteering to water collection and shelter creation, they'll discover how nature provides everything we need. Using nature as their classroom, campers explore, imagine, and prepare for their next great adventure!

### VET CAMP | AGES 5-6 & 7-8

Vet Camp introduces campers to the world of veterinary science and animal care. They'll meet and care for the Nature Center's animals while learning about anatomy, observation, and scientific tools. Campers explore Jacobs Pond, help feed animals, and may even meet real veterinarians and animal care professionals!

### WATER BIOLOGY | AGES 7-8

Dive into the underwater world to explore the fascinating life beneath the surface! Campers will meet and care for aquatic animals at the Nature Center, learn about anatomy, build observation skills, and practice using real scientific tools. Campers will visit Jacobs Pond, help feed the Nature Center animals, and explore underwater inspired lessons that bring aquatic science to life.

### LEADERS IN TRAINING (LIT) | AGES 12-15

The Leader-In-Training (LIT) program gives older campers the chance to grow as leaders while being positive role models for younger campers. Over two weeks, LITs build confidence, independence, and teamwork skills through hands-on activities, problem-solving, and mentorship, putting leadership skills into action while enjoying camp.



To learn more about the South Shore YMCA Nature Center and Nature Adventures Camp, visit [ssymcanaturecenter.org](http://ssymcanaturecenter.org).



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# DATES & RATES



## CAMP GORDON CLARK TRADITIONAL DAY CAMP

	Member	Non-Member	Age	Week 1 6/15-6/19	Week 2 6/22-6/26	Week 3 6/29-7/3	Week 4 7/6-7/10	Week 5 7/13-7/17	Week 6 7/20-7/24	Week 7 7/27-7/31	Week 8 8/3-8/7	Week 9 8/10-8/14	Week 10 8/17-8/21
Morning Explorers*	\$195	\$245	3-5	<input type="checkbox"/>									
Lower Camp	\$355	\$450	4-7	<input type="checkbox"/>									
Upper Camp	\$355	\$450	8-12	<input type="checkbox"/>									
Voyagers	\$355	\$450	13-14		<input type="checkbox"/>								
Leaders in Training	\$140	\$180	15		<input type="checkbox"/>						<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>

\*Half Day Camp Program

## SPORTS CAMPS | CAMP GORDON CLARK

	Member	Non-Member	Age	Week 1 6/15-6/19	Week 2 6/22-6/26	Week 3 6/29-7/3	Week 4 7/6-7/10	Week 5 7/13-7/17	Week 6 7/20-7/24	Week 7 7/27-7/31	Week 8 8/3-8/7	Week 9 8/10-8/14	Week 10 8/17-8/21
Gymnastics	\$455	\$560	6-12		<input type="checkbox"/>								
NFL Flag Football Jr.	\$455	\$560	6-8				<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
NFL Flag Football Sr.	\$455	\$560	9-12		<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>					<input type="checkbox"/>
Golf Camp	\$455	\$560	9-12		<input type="checkbox"/>								
Soccer Jr.	\$455	\$560	6-8					<input type="checkbox"/>					<input type="checkbox"/>
Soccer Sr.	\$455	\$560	9-12			<input type="checkbox"/>						<input type="checkbox"/>	
Cheer Jr.	\$455	\$560	6-8					<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Cheer Sr.	\$455	\$560	9-12						<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Basketball Camp Jr.	\$455	\$560	6-8		<input type="checkbox"/>				<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		
Basketball Camp Sr.	\$455	\$560	9-12				<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
All Sports Camp	\$455	\$560	9-12			<input type="checkbox"/>				<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	

## MATCH POINT TENNIS CAMP | CAMP GORDON CLARK

	Member	Non-Member	Age	Week 1 6/15-6/19	Week 2 6/22-6/26	Week 3 6/29-7/3	Week 4 7/6-7/10	Week 5 7/13-7/17	Week 6 7/20-7/24	Week 7 7/27-7/31	Week 8 8/3-8/7	Week 9 8/10-8/14	Week 10 8/17-8/21
Full Day Camp	\$570	\$680	6-12	<input type="checkbox"/>									
Half Day Camp*	\$290	\$360	6-12	<input type="checkbox"/>									

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## SPECIALTY CAMPS | CAMP GORDON CLARK

	Member	Non-Member	Age	Week 1 6/15-6/19	Week 2 6/22-6/26	Week 3 6/29-7/3	Week 4 7/6-7/10	Week 5 7/13-7/17	Week 6 7/20-7/24	Week 7 7/27-7/31	Week 8 8/3-8/7	Week 9 8/10-8/14	Week 10 8/17-8/21
Food, Fun & Farming	\$455	\$560	6-8				<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
General LEGO Jr.	\$455	\$560	6-8		<input type="checkbox"/>						<input type="checkbox"/>		
General LEGO Sr.	\$455	\$560	9-12				<input type="checkbox"/>					<input type="checkbox"/>	
General Science Jr.	\$455	\$560	6-8			<input type="checkbox"/>							
General Science Sr.	\$455	\$560	9-12		<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>					
LEGO Robotics Sr.	\$455	\$560	9-12						<input type="checkbox"/>				
Rocket Science Sr.	\$455	\$560	9-12			<input type="checkbox"/>				<input type="checkbox"/>			

## ARTSCAMP | CAMP GORDON CLARK

	Member	Non-Member	Age	Week 1 6/15-6/19	Week 2 6/22-6/26	Week 3 6/29-7/3	Week 4 7/6-7/10	Week 5 7/13-7/17	Week 6 7/20-7/24	Week 7 7/27-7/31	Week 8 8/3-8/7	Week 9 8/10-8/14	Week 10 8/17-8/21
Musical Theater Jr.	<b>\$740</b>	<b>\$900</b>	5-9										
Musical Theater Sr.	<b>\$740</b>	<b>\$900</b>	6-13	Alice in Wonderland							Elf Jr.		
Little LimeLights*	<b>\$245</b>	<b>\$295</b>	3-5					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Teen Theater Production	<b>\$740</b>	<b>\$900</b>	9-14			Shrek Jr.							
Tiny Twirlers Dance	<b>\$455</b>	<b>\$560</b>	5-9							<input type="checkbox"/>			
Creators in Training	<b>\$140</b>	<b>\$180</b>	15	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>		
Wild & Wonderful Art	<b>\$455</b>	<b>\$560</b>	5-9			<input type="checkbox"/>				<input type="checkbox"/>			
Petite Artists	<b>\$455</b>	<b>\$560</b>	5-9	<input type="checkbox"/>				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Interior Design	<b>\$455</b>	<b>\$560</b>	7-14		<input type="checkbox"/>								
Fashion 101	<b>\$455</b>	<b>\$560</b>	6-14				<input type="checkbox"/>						
FilmPro	<b>\$455</b>	<b>\$560</b>	7-14	<input type="checkbox"/>					<input type="checkbox"/>				
PhotoPro	<b>\$455</b>	<b>\$560</b>	7-14					<input type="checkbox"/>				<input type="checkbox"/>	
Digital Music Creation	<b>\$455</b>	<b>\$560</b>	7-14			<input type="checkbox"/>							
Music Video Production	<b>\$455</b>	<b>\$560</b>	7-14		<input type="checkbox"/>								
Game Design and Creation	<b>\$455</b>	<b>\$560</b>	7-14				<input type="checkbox"/>						
Stop Motion Video	<b>\$455</b>	<b>\$560</b>	7-14							<input type="checkbox"/>			
E-Sports	<b>\$455</b>	<b>\$560</b>	7-14		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Explore the Arts	<b>\$455</b>	<b>\$560</b>	5-14										<input type="checkbox"/>

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## NATURE ADVENTURES CAMP | SOUTH SHORE YMCA NATURE CENTER

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Half Day*	<b>\$315</b>	<b>\$395</b>	3-5	<input type="checkbox"/>									
Lower Camp	<b>\$445</b>	<b>\$550</b>	5-6	<input type="checkbox"/>									
Upper Camp	<b>\$445</b>	<b>\$550</b>	7-11	<input type="checkbox"/>									
Adventure Skills	<b>\$490</b>	<b>\$590</b>	9-11		<input type="checkbox"/>								
Water Biology	<b>\$490</b>	<b>\$590</b>	7-8					<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>		
Vet Camp	<b>\$490</b>	<b>\$590</b>	5-6 & 7-8					<b>Ages 7-8</b>		<b>Age 5-6</b>	<b>Age 7-8</b>		<b>Ages 5-6</b>
Leaders in Training	<b>\$230</b>	<b>\$280</b>	12-15			<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	

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# ABOUT SOUTH SHORE YMCA DAY CAMP

## CONTACT US

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## LOCATIONS

- Camp Gordon Clark:** Located at the South Shore YMCA Emilson Branch, 75 Mill Street, Hanover, MA.
- ArtsCamp:** Held at Laura's Center for the Arts, 97 Mill Street, Hanover, on the Emilson YMCA campus.
- Match Point Tennis Camp:** Held inside the South Shore YMCA Emilson Branch.
- Nature Adventures Camp:** Located at the South Shore YMCA Nature Center, 48 Jacobs Lane, Norwell, MA.

Visit [ssymca.org/locations](http://ssymca.org/locations) for directions.

## REGISTRATION DATES

- SSYMC Members:** Begins January 3, 2026, 8:30 AM
- Returning Camp Families:** Begins January 10, 2026, 8:30 AM
- Public Registration:** Begins January 17, 2026, 8:30 AM

## HAVE THE FOLLOWING READY WHEN YOU REGISTER

- Camps/weeks you wish to register for
- Payment: (A) \$50/week/camper deposit or (B) payment in full.
- Camper Information including emergency contact & authorized pickup names and numbers; medical information, current medications and allergies.

## ONLINE REGISTRATION

The fastest way to secure your space is to register online at [SSYMC.ORG/CAMP](http://SSYMC.ORG/CAMP).

**PLEASE NOTE:** The online registration process includes entering Camper, Emergency Contact and Medical Information at the time of registration. This process replaces additional paper/electronic Camper Information Forms that are required for walk-in registration.

- Visit [ssymca.org/camp](http://ssymca.org/camp) and choose the camp you wish to register for
- On the upper right-hand corner, click "REGISTER"
- Search for your camp(s) and date(s)
- To register, you must Log In to your South Shore Y online account or Create an Account where prompted
- After login, choose the Camper and Camp you wish to add to your cart and follow prompts to complete the registration and check out.
- PLEASE NOTE:** Once registration is complete you will be prompted to complete multiple forms. You must complete these forms before your child can attend camp. **If forms are incomplete two weeks before attending the program, the South Shore YMCA reserves the right to unenroll your child from camp.**

After registering online, financial assistance recipients may contact our team at [cgc@ssymca.org](mailto:cgc@ssymca.org), (781) 924-8338.

## MEMBERSHIP RATE POLICY

As a membership benefit, active South Shore YMCA members receive preferred Member Rates on camps and programs. Membership must be active at the time of registration and remain valid throughout the camp session to qualify for the Member Rate. If your membership is canceled or placed on hold, the balance will be adjusted to the Non-Member Rate. Non-members who register for camp and later become members must contact the Membership or Camp staff to have their rate adjusted, as rate changes are not automatic. Visit [ssymca.org/join](http://ssymca.org/join) to join.

## SUMMER CAMP FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Financial Assistance is available based on the need demonstrated by household income and/or extenuating circumstances, and funds available. Financial Assistance is made possible through charitable donations. The South Shore YMCA Financial Assistance Application can be found at [ssymca.org/campgordonclark](http://ssymca.org/campgordonclark) as well as at the Membership desk of the Emilson YMCA. **Please indicate on your application that you are applying for Day Camp Financial Assistance; this is different from the Program Financial Aid Rate.**

Completed Financial Assistance Applications can be dropped off at the Emilson YMCA Membership Desk, or sent to:

South Shore YMCA, Emilson  
75 Mill Street, Hanover, MA 02339  
ATTN: Summer Camp Financial Assistance

Summer Camp financial assistance is not retroactive and can only be applied to camp sessions that occur on or after the date the financial assistance is awarded. A \$50 non-refundable and non-transferable (per child, per week) deposit is due upon registration. Scholarship applications take at least two weeks to be assessed and are assessed in the order that they are received. Financial Assistance must be renewed every year. For more information on Financial Assistance, contact [cgc@ssymca.org](mailto:cgc@ssymca.org) or (781) 924-8338.

## CAMP GROUP ASSIGNMENTS

To help us create the best possible camp experience for every child, registration for our **Traditional Day Camp programs** is organized by age group. Families will register their camper for **Upper Camp or Lower Camp**:

### CAMP GORDON CLARK

- Lower Camp Ages: 4-7 | Upper Camp: Ages 8-12

### NATURE ADVENTURES CAMP

- Lower Camp Ages 5-6 | Upper Camp 7-11

Our camp leadership team will then create smaller weekly camper groups within each section, ensuring a safe, engaging environment that maintains counselor-to-camper ratios. There may be multiple groups with campers of the same age. Upper and Lower Camp groupings do not apply to Sports Camps, Specialty Camps, ArtsCamp, or Match Point Tennis Camp.

**Camp is about making new friends! For this reason we do not accept group placement requests.**

## WAIT LIST POLICY

If a camp is full, you will be placed on a wait list and make no payment at that time. We will contact you if we are able to add you to the camp. Please make sure we have your correct address, email, and phone number on file. Families on the waitlist are reached out to in the order in which they sign up. If not responded to by the deadline, the place will go to the next family on the list. Please do not call the Y to check your status. Please do not come to the first day of the camp session if you are still on a wait list.

# CAMP POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

## PAYMENT OPTIONS & POLICIES

Full payment or a \$50.00 non-refundable deposit per camper/per week is required at time of registration. **PAYMENT IN FULL FOR ALL CAMPS IS DUE BY MAY 31, 2026.** PLEASE NOTE: Your child will not be able to begin camp until all required documents and your full payment for the week is received. If payment in full is not received by the payment due date your child's camp spot may be forfeited. Payments will automatically be scheduled for the May 31st deadline to the payment method used for deposit.

**PAYMENT PLANS:** If you wish to be on a payment plan for summer camp payments, please reach out to your designated camp before **May 16, 2026.**

**THIRD PARTY PAYMENT / STATE VOUCHER:** If camp payments are being made by a 3rd party, registration must be made in-house. At time of registration, you must provide proof that the camper has funding for camp and contact information for the funder. If you receive a state voucher, a current school year voucher or blank Confirmation of Provider form is required to register. The camp balance will remain the parent/guardian's responsibility until funding has been verified. For more SSYMCA policies and procedures for State Vouchers please contact: Kathy Crompton, [kcrompton@ssymca.org](mailto:kcrompton@ssymca.org).

**STATE VOUCHER PARENT FEES:** Upon receiving your day camp state voucher, it is your responsibility to make sure that the camp has received a copy of your state voucher. If you qualify to pay a parent fee, you will be required to set up your payment schedule. Your parent fee will be due on the Monday, one week, before the camp session begins. For any questions regarding the payment requirements or to set up your payment schedule, please contact Kathy Crompton at [kcrompton@ssymca.org](mailto:kcrompton@ssymca.org) or Camp Gordon Clark at [cgc@ssymca.org](mailto:cgc@ssymca.org).

## DROP OFF & PICK UP

### CAMP GORDON CLARK

- Drop Off: 8:00-9:00 AM
- Half-Day Pick Up: 12:00 PM
- Full-Day Pick Up: 3:30-5:00 PM

During drop off and pick up times campers will have the opportunity to participate in recreational activities such as coloring, card games, and other group-based activities. Please apply sunscreen and bug spray before dropping off your camper.

### PACKING LIST

The YMCA is not and cannot be held responsible for the loss or damage of toys, games, clothes, or any other personal belongings. We recommend you write your camper's name on all items they bring from home.

### WEAR

- Weather-suitable and comfortable clothes
- Closed-toed shoes, as campers will be active during the day

### BRING

- Backpack
- Bathing Suit & Towel\*
- Sunscreen
- Bagged Lunch & Drink
- Snack
- Hat / Sun Protection
- Water Bottle

### DO NOT BRING

- Personal Belongings and/or valuable items
- Electronic Games
- Nintendo Switch
- Cell Phones, Tablets, & Smart Watches
- Trading Cards
- Weapons (real or fake)
- Toys

\*Camp Gordon Clark campers only

## SAFETY

Safety is our number one priority. We comply with regulations set by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (105 CRM 430) and are licensed by the Hanover Health Department and Norwell Health Department. All of our staff members complete a comprehensive training program.

## BEHAVIOR POLICY

We believe every camper deserves a safe, positive, and fun camp experience. If a camper is experiencing behavioral challenges, our staff will work with parents and guardians to develop strategies that support the camper's success. If the behavior does not improve or significantly disrupts the experience of others, the camper may be sent home. Dangerous or inappropriate actions, including bullying, physical harm, self-harm, or possession or use of tobacco, alcohol, or illegal drugs, may result in immediate dismissal.

## TOILET TRAINING

The South Shore YMCA encourages all campers to be toilet-trained prior to attending camp. Families of campers who require assistance are asked to contact the Camp Director before the start of camp to discuss reasonable accommodations and create a plan that supports the child's success.

## INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

Camp is an outdoor recreational program. In the event of inclement weather, the camps will use tents for activities when possible. Severe weather conditions may dictate the use of indoor facilities for some or all activities. Please make sure campers are dressed appropriately for the weather as campers will need to go outside to get between different activities. The camp leadership team will notify you via email if there are any changes in drop off or pick up procedures due to inclement weather.

## CANCELLATION POLICY

**The \$50.00 deposit per child, per week is nonrefundable, non-transferable.** Refunds are issued in the same method that payment was received. Refunds by check may take 2 weeks to process.

- 100% refund (less the \$50.00 deposit): If cancellation notice is received before the payment due date of May 22, 2026.
- No refund or credit will be given if cancellation is received after May 22, 2026.

## MEDICAL CANCELLATION POLICY

In the case of severe illness or other medical limitations where a doctor states the camper is not allowed to attend camp, a credit\* will be applied. A doctor's note **MUST** be submitted stating the camper's specific restrictions causing him/her not to attend camp. Credits will be issued to your SSYMCA Account.

## PROGRAM TRANSFERS

Transfers will be made depending on availability. \$50 deposit could be forfeited if transferring to a different camp week. Transfers cannot be made less than 5 days before camp starts. Any difference in registration fee is due at time of transfer. You will receive a confirmation email once a transfer is approved. If you wish to transfer programs, please contact the camp leadership staff directly.

## THE Y IS A LEADING NON-PROFIT CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION

All are welcome at the Y. Our programs touch the lives of 65,000+ people on the South Shore regardless of their ability to pay. This is possible thanks to annual donations from our community. Together, we make it possible for everyone to belong. To learn more about how you can help give more kids the opportunity to experience camp, stop by our branch development office and meet our Director of Development, Peter Helms, [phelms@ssymca.org](mailto:phelms@ssymca.org) or (781) 264-9420.



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JOIN &  
**SAVE**

Members Get the  
Best Rates & Dates  
on Camp Programs

# JOIN FOR THE JOY OF IT!



## ADVENTURES START AT CAMP



### SOUTH SHORE YMCA DAY CAMP

EMILSON YMCA | 75 Mill Street, Hanover, MA 02339

SOUTH SHORE YMCA NATURE CENTER | 48 Jacobs Lane, Norwell, MA 02061

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