



SOUTH SHORE YMCA

CAMP QUIRK



ADVENTURES BEGIN AT CAMP



Camp Quirk
Program Guide
Summer 2026

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WELCOME!

TO SOUTH SHORE YMCA CAMP QUIRK

A MESSAGE TO PARENTS & GUARDIANS

Welcome to South Shore YMCA Camp Quirk! We believe camp is about having fun and developing skills while offering opportunities that allow children to grow to their fullest potential.

At Camp Quirk, we believe every child deserves a fulfilling camp experience. We create a summer of adventure where our campers make friends, build relationships, and create lifelong memories under the positive guidance of the YMCA camp counselors – our positive role models.

Great summers start at South Shore YMCA Camp Quirk, and we look forward to seeing you this summer!

2026 CAMP QUIRK 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
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- Public Registration: Begins January 17, 2026, 8:30 AM

CAMP QUIRK IS LOCATED AT:

Hale Family YMCA | 79 Coddington Street, Quincy, MA 02169
 Quincy High School | 100 Coddington St, Quincy, MA 02169

CAMP HIGHLIGHTS



Daily Swim
 Included in most
 camp programs



**Specialty
 Camps**
 Sports, Gymnastics,
 Arts & STEM



**Financial
 Assistance**
 available so more kids
 can enjoy camp



**Welcoming
 Experience**
 for all campers
 to belong

TRADITIONAL DAY CAMP

AGES 5-12 | HALE FAMILY YMCA & QUINCY HIGH SCHOOL

Our Traditional Day Camp programs offer a classic, well-rounded camp experience filled with adventure, friendship, and discovery. Campers spend each day exploring new activities, building skills, and creating lasting memories.

LOWER CAMP | AGES 5-7

HALE FAMILY YMCA

This camp helps our youngest campers build confidence, teamwork, and sportsmanship through hands-on learning and play. They'll make friends, try new things, and enjoy swimming, sports, arts, games, and group fun. Swim included four times per week.

UPPER CAMP | AGES 8-12

QUINCY HIGH SCHOOL

This camp grows with your camper, building confidence, teamwork, and friendships through experiential learning. Each week includes swimming, sports, arts, games, and group challenges. Campers swim at the Hale Family YMCA four times per week.

VOYAGERS | AGES 13-14

QUINCY HIGH SCHOOL

This program is perfect for teens seeking a different and enriching camp experience! Voyagers will travel to a fun and exciting place and/or activity off-site 3-4 times per week. Trips and program leaders are carefully selected to ensure camper safety and enjoyment. Space is limited, sign up early!

LEADERS IN TRAINING (LIT) | AGES 14-15

QUINCY HIGH SCHOOL

Our Leaders in Training (LIT) camp program helps teens build confidence and leadership skills through hands-on experience. LITs assist camp groups, lead activities with senior staff, and take part in team-building and leadership training to gain the tools to be positive role models.



CAMP QUIRK 2026 | TRADITIONAL CAMP DATES & RATES

	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
Lower Camp	\$325	\$410	Age 5-7	<input type="checkbox"/>									
Upper Camp	\$325	\$410	Age 8-12	<input type="checkbox"/>									
Voyagers	\$325	\$410	Ages 13-14	<input type="checkbox"/>									
Leaders in Training	\$140	\$180	Ages 14-15	<input type="checkbox"/>									

SPORTS CAMPS

AGES 5-12 | HALE FAMILY YMCA

Whether your camper is new to the game or ready to level up, our Sports Camps offer something for everyone! Campers are grouped by age and ability and enjoy a mix of half-day sports and half-day traditional camp fun.

SOCCER CAMP JR. & SR.

Ages 5-12

Campers will go through various skills and drills to develop ball handling, passing, shooting and other tactical skills of the game of soccer. Each day will include fun and competitive drills, plus live scenarios and games.

VOLLEYBALL CAMP JR. & SR.

Ages 8-12

Campers hit the court to build volleyball skills through fun drills, skill-building exercises, and live games. Each day focuses on passing, serving, setting, and teamwork to improve technique, confidence, and on-court fun.



BASKETBALL CAMP JR. & SR.

Ages 5-12

Campers will take it to the courts to work on various skills, drills and other elements of the game of basketball. Campers will learn basic drills and participate in various fun games and live scenarios.

DANCE CAMP

Ages 5-12

Learn from our experienced staff! Campers will engage in various forms of dance including Ballet, Modern, Tap, Zumba and more!

SPORTS CAMP

Ages 8-12

Campers will spend their day playing a variety of sports games and athletic activities. Each day, campers get to choose what sports games and athletic activities they want to do! Basketball, kickball, pickleball... Nothing is off the table!

GYMNASTICS CAMP

Ages 5-12

Flip, jump, and tumble into fun in our new state-of-the-art gymnastics center! Campers practice skills on professional-grade equipment, including bars, beam, floor, vault, tumble track, and foam pit, led by experienced Y coaches.

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Basketball Jr.	\$355	\$460	Ages 5-7		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Basketball Sr.	\$355	\$460	Ages 8-12		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Soccer Jr.	\$355	\$460	Ages 5-7					<input type="checkbox"/>				<input type="checkbox"/>
Soccer Sr.	\$355	\$460	Ages 8-12					<input type="checkbox"/>				<input type="checkbox"/>
Sports Camp Sr.	\$355	\$460	Ages 8-12			<input type="checkbox"/>						
Dance Camp Jr.	\$355	\$460	Ages 5-7		<input type="checkbox"/>							
Dance Camp Sr.	\$355	\$460	Ages 8-12			<input type="checkbox"/>						
Volleyball Jr.	\$355	\$460	Ages 8-9								<input type="checkbox"/>	
Volleyball Sr.	\$355	\$460	Ages 10-12								<input type="checkbox"/>	
Gymnastics Camp	\$355	\$460	Ages 5-12		<input type="checkbox"/>							

SPECIALTY CAMPS

AGES 5-12 | HALE FAMILY YMCA & QUINCY HIGH SCHOOL

Spark creativity and curiosity at our Specialty Camps! Campers enjoy hands-on art projects and interactive science experiments, spending half the day in specialty activities and the other half enjoying traditional camp fun.

EXPLORE THE ARTS

Ages 8-12

Campers will learn from different artists each week as they explore the styles and techniques of renowned masters throughout history. With a variety of artists to study, campers can immerse themselves in unique art forms, try new techniques, and discover what inspires their own creativity.

PETITE ARTISTS

Ages 5-9

Throughout the week, campers will dive into a world of imagination and creativity, participating in a wide variety of arts and crafts projects designed to inspire and delight. From painting sessions and coloring activities to an array of hands-on crafts, campers will explore different materials, express themselves through art, and build confidence in their creative abilities. There's something for every young artist to enjoy.

SCIENCE CAMP JR. & SR.

Ages 5-12

Designed and facilitated by our dedicated Camp Quirk staff, our STEM and Science Camp gives campers fun, hands-on science experiences that spark curiosity and discovery. Each day offers new opportunities to experiment, explore, and learn through engaging STEM projects. Campers spend half the day diving into exciting science activities and the other half enjoying traditional camp fun.



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Explore the Arts	\$355	\$460	Ages 8-12				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Petite Artists!	\$355	\$460	Ages 5-9		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		
Science Camp Jr.	\$355	\$460	Ages 5-7			<input type="checkbox"/>				<input type="checkbox"/>	
Science Camp Sr.	\$355	\$460	Ages 8-12			<input type="checkbox"/>				<input type="checkbox"/>	

CAMP QUIRK REGISTRATION

CONTACT US

RYAN DONOHUE, CAMP QUIRK DIRECTOR
(857) 760-0315 | E: campquirk@ssymca.org | W: ssymca.org/campquirk

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HAVE THE FOLLOWING READY WHEN YOU REGISTER

1. Camps/weeks you wish to register for
2. Payment: (A) \$50/week/camper deposit or (B) payment in full.
3. 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. You may also register at our Hale Family Y Welcome Desk. Camper Information & Physical/Immunization Records **MUST** accompany walk-in registration and will be required to complete all online registrations.

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.

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

After registering online, financial assistance recipients may contact our team at campquirk@ssymca.org, (857) 760-0315.

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 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/campquirk as well as at the Membership desk of the Hale Family YMCA. **Please indicate on your application that you are applying for Day Camp Financial Assistance.**

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

Hale Family YMCA
79 Coddington St. Quincy, MA 02169
ATTN: Summer Camp Financial Assistance

Summer Camp financial assistance is not retroactive and can only be applied to camp sessions on or after 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.

For more information on Financial Assistance: Contact our Camp Registrar at campquirk@ssymca.org or (857) 760-0315.

GROUP PLACEMENTS

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 (Ages 5-7) or Lower Camp (Ages 8-12)**.

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.

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. 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 QUIRK POLICIES

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 must be scheduled to a card payment or EFT at time of registration.

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 state voucher inquiries, contact: Kathy Crompton, 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 or Camp Quirk at campquirk@ssymca.org.

DROP OFF & PICK UP

- Drop Off: 8:00-9:00 AM
- 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 note that a late fee may be assessed for late pick-up.

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
- Bagged Lunch & Drink
- Snack
- Sunscreen
- Hat / Sun Protection
- Water Bottle

DO NOT BRING

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

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 City of Quincy 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 they will need to go outside to get between different activities.

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.
- 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 to your SSYMCA account. A doctor's note **MUST** be submitted stating the camper's specific restrictions causing him/her not to attend camp.

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 ability to pay. This is possible thanks to annual donations from our community. Together, we make it possible for everyone to belong. We want to meet you! Stop by our branch development office and meet our Development Director Jennifer Christenson, jchristenson@ssymca.org or (857) 891-0378, to learn more about how you can help ensure all kids have the opportunity to experience camp this summer.



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