



SEWICKLEY VALLEY YMCA

Preschool

SUMMER CAMP

June 9, 2025 to August 8, 2025

Register online :

WWW.SEWICKLEYYMCA.ORG/PRESCHOOL-CAMP



Welcome to a Summer of Wonder and Discovery!

Dear families,

We're excited to welcome your child to a summer filled with exploration, learning, and fun! The Sewickley Valley YMCA preschool day camp is designed to help young children develop essential skills in a safe and nurturing environment.

Our preschool camp is state-licensed, part of the Keystone STARS quality program, and offers financial assistance for qualifying families, ensuring every child has access to a high-quality early learning experience.

At the Y, we believe in a whole-child approach to early learning. Our developmentally appropriate curriculum fosters cognitive, social, emotional, and physical growth, helping children build a strong foundation for the future.

Through hands-on activities, creative play, and meaningful interactions, Y campers:

- Explore their creativity and develop new skills
- Engage with peers through teamwork and play
- Grow in confidence while forming positive relationships with caring role models

Join us at the Y this summer full of wonder, discovery, and joyful learning!

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Amee Kuzniarski

Child Care Director

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Sewickley Valley YMCA

Preschool camp is held
at our off-site location:

Osborne Elementary School
1414 Beaver Street Sewickley, PA 15143



A Day at Camp: Explore, Play, and Grow!

Through hands-on activities, creative projects, outdoor play, and group games, young campers build confidence and new skills in a nurturing, supportive environment. Our caring staff guide and encourage them every step of the way, making each day a fun and enriching experience.

We love outdoor play, and campers go outside every day!

In the case of severe weather, or when the heat index (how hot it feels outside) is 90° or higher, we keep activities fun and cool indoors at Osborne Elementary.

BRIGHT BEGINNINGS

EARLY CARE
7:00 AM – 8:45 AM

Start the day at Osborne Elementary with games, play, and supervised activities.

SIGNING IN
8:55 AM – 9:00 AM

Check in at the sign-in table, where staff sign everyone in.

LET'S PLAY!

CAMP ACTIVITIES
9:30 AM – 11:30 AM

Campers jump into hands-on activities: games, songs, crafts, and playful movement, are centered around engaging themes.

MIDDAY BREAK

LUNCH
12:00 PM – 12:30 PM

Refuel with lunch and social time with fellow campers.

AFTERNOON ADVENTURES!

THEMED FUN
12:30 PM – 2:45 PM

Campers rotate between outdoor play, gym time, classroom activities, and art in the cafeteria. Themes keep children active, excited, and learning through play.

GOODBYE GATHERING

SEE-YOU-SOONS
2:45 PM – 3:00 PM

Each day wraps up with a group gathering in the cafeteria.

Please send your camper with a swimsuit and towel every Friday.

Campers will be bussed to the Sewickley Valley YMCA each Friday to swim in the warm water pool for 30 minutes between 10 AM and 12 PM.

ENROLLMENT AND PAYMENT

Enrollment forms must be completed online on the Friday prior to your child's first day of camp. All registrations must occur three days before the start of the session(s) your child wants to attend. The full fee is required for the first session of camp enrolled. All children must be potty trained to attend camp.

Session	Session Start	Session End	Total Balance Due	Last Day to Register Last Day to Cancel
1	6/9/25	6/13/25	At Registration	Thursday, 6/5/25
2	6/16/25	6/20/25	Friday, 6/13/25	Thursday, 6/12/25
3	6/23/25	6/27/25	Friday, 6/20/25	Thursday, 6/19/25
4	6/30/25	7/3/25	Friday, 6/27/25	Thursday, 6/26/25
5	7/7/25	7/11/25	Thursday, 7/3/25	Thursday, 7/3/25
6	7/14/25	7/18/25	Friday, 7/11/25	Thursday, 7/10/25
7	7/21/25	7/25/25	Friday, 7/18/25	Thursday, 7/17/25
8	7/28/25	8/1/25	Friday, 7/25/25	Thursday, 7/24/25
9	8/4/25	8/8/25	Friday, 8/1/25	Thursday, 7/31/25

For total balance due date, please refer to the chart above.

Multiple session registrations require the full fee for the first session and a \$25 non-refundable deposit for each subsequent session(s). All balances owed after the first session that have not been paid in full must be paid by the dates listed.

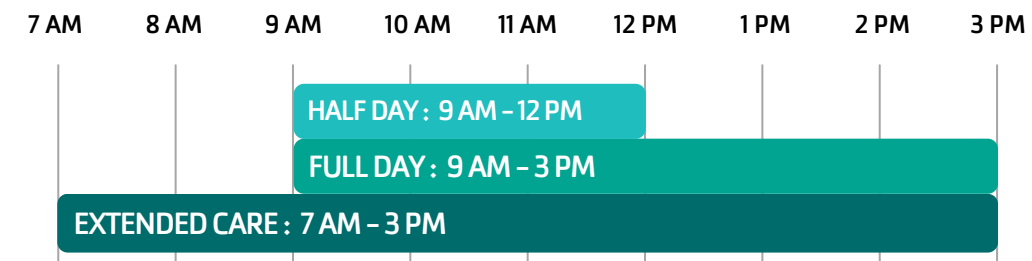
Late Enrollment and Cancellation Policy

The dates listed in the above are the last opportunity for a participant to cancel an existing preschool camp registration, or, register without a \$25 late registration fee. If cancellation of a camp occurs on the dates listed, all non-refundable deposits will be forfeited. After the dates listed, payment must be paid in full regardless of the participant's attendance. All cancellations must be made to Ameer Kuzniarski, Child Care Director, at (412) 741- 9622 ext. 133 or akuzniarski@sewickleymca.org.

Refunds

Refunds will not be given. No adjustments will be made for missed or partially attended weeks. When you enroll, you reserve the time, space, staffing and provisions for your child, whether or not he or she attends.

CAMP TIMES



Half Day and Full Day Camp drop off begins no earlier than 8:55 AM. After 3:00 PM is considered late. A fee of \$1 per minute will be charged.

CAMP RATES

1 WEEK SESSION

MEMBER RATE:	NON-MEMBER RATE:
\$ 144	\$ 159
\$ 189	\$ 204
\$ 254	\$ 269





Drop-Off & Authorization for Pick-Up

You may drop off your camper no earlier than 8:55 a.m. There must be a counselor present when your child is dropped off. Everyone who picks up a child from the summer day camp must be on the authorization list provided by the parent(s)/guardian. Anyone not on the authorization list will not be permitted to pick up a child. Parents, please remember to add yourself to the authorization list.



Photo Identification

A photo I.D. must be shown by anyone who will be picking up children from the YMCA. Anyone who does not have a photo I.D. will not be allowed to pick up a child. Thank you for your cooperation in helping to keep our children safe. All individuals on your authorization list must be 16 years or older and have a valid photo I.D.



Late Pick Up

If a parent/guardian will be late for pick up, please call (412) 660-4147. The camper may be removed from the camp program if late pick ups occur. Please respect pick up times for staff/safety concerns. Any parent picking up after 3:00 PM is considered late and will be charged the late fee of \$1 per minute.

CAMP QUESTIONS?

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Child Care Director

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FINANCIAL AID ASSISTANCE

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Help your child prepare for a day of fun with these must-haves.

Be sure to label all belongings!

✓ WEATHER-APPROPRIATE PLAY CLOTHES

We spend a lot of time outdoors, so dress for the weather. If it's cold or rainy, bring a sweatshirt or jacket and a raincoat.



✓ HEALTHY LUNCH AND WATER BOTTLE

Pack a healthy lunch in an insulated bag with an ice pack. Water breaks are frequent to hydrate and refill water bottles.

Refrigeration is unavailable.



✓ SUMMER CAMP GEAR

Bring a backpack or shoulder bag to carry daily essentials: a swimsuit, towel, and sunscreen.



LEAVE THESE ITEMS AT HOME

Personal items not part of the program are not allowed, including:

- ✗ Valuables, electronics, and cell phones
- ✗ Toys, games, and tradeable items (e.g., cards or collectibles)
- ✗ Books or other personal items
- ✗ Sandals, flip-flops, or **open-toed footwear**

The YMCA is not responsible for lost or broken items.



Because Everyone Belongs

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

At the Sewickley Valley YMCA, we believe everyone belongs. Our mission is to provide opportunities for all, ensuring no one is turned away due to financial barriers. We offer financial assistance to help children and families access life-changing experiences like summer camp, child care, and youth development programs.

Our financial assistance program uses the Federal Poverty Guidelines to determine eligibility and offers a range of support based on demonstrated need. This program helps more children in our community learn, grow, and thrive in a safe, supportive environment.

For more information about Financial Assistance, visit www.sewickleymca.org/aid or contact:

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CAMPER SAFETY

The YMCA's first responsibility is the safety of every child. The following is vital information about safety, behavior, health, and camp policies. Please read and review it with your family before the start of camp.

Aids and Therapeutic Support

All campers who require an Aid or Therapeutic Support Staff (TSS) during the school day must have the TSS or Aid in Preschool Camp. All parties must speak with the Child Care Director (412) 741-9622 ext. 133 two weeks prior to the beginning date of camp with completed forms (Act 33 & 34 clearances, FBI Background and National Sex Offenders Registry clearance, and the company's liability insurance). Please remember the TSS or aid must accompany the child for the entire session.

Aquatic Safety

Fun is part of the YMCA, but so is safety. Where there are YMCA day campers and pools, there are YMCA lifeguards and counselors. Lifeguards are on the pool deck, and camp staff swim, splash, and play games with the campers.

YMCA pools are staffed with lifeguards who meet national lifeguard certification standards, participate in regular in-service training, and are audited regularly to ensure they are always rescue-ready and responsive. Camp staff camper ratio is 1:5. All students will be placed in a swim trainer, water back float, or lifejacket, regardless of swim level and ability.

ABUSE PREVENTION AND REPORTING

The Sewickley Valley YMCA has a zero-tolerance policy for abuse and complies with Pennsylvania state law. This requires the reporting of suspected child abuse or imminent risk, including both adult-to-child and peer-to-peer abuse. Staff and volunteers are trained in abuse prevention and reporting procedures.

If you suspect child abuse or neglect, call ChildLine at 1-800-932-0313.

For more information on state law, visit keepkidssafe.pa.gov.

Authorized Pick Up

Only individuals listed as Authorized Pick Up may pick up a child. A valid photo ID is required for pick up. Anyone without a photo ID will not be allowed to pick up a child.

Behavior

Basic rules include respecting each other, the property of others, the YMCA facility, the child's safety, and the group's security.

Behavior management is accomplished through a positive approach and redirection, which will respect the child as an individual. Discipline procedures are handled individually, with a mild consequence associated with the particular infraction.

No child will ever be subjected to verbal abuse, ridicule, humiliation, or denial of basic needs such as food, rest, or bathroom access. There is no punishment for toileting accidents or food-related behaviors.

There is no punishment for soiling, wetting or not using the toilet, and no punishment related to eating or not eating food.

Health and Wellness

Medical Considerations:

List any allergies or medical needs in your camper's online account profile. Keep the profile up-to-date, and keep your counselor informed.

Medications must be sent in their original prescription bottles, with only the daily dosage included.

Illness:

Children showing signs of illness (e.g., fever, rash, diarrhea) must be picked up by an authorized pick up person listed on the child's account profile.

Injuries:

YMCA camp staff will administer first aid if a child is mildly injured during the daily activities.

If the injury requires outside medical attention, the child will be taken to the emergency room by ambulance and accompanied by the Child Care Director or Head Counselor. The parent will be called and should meet the child at the emergency room.

An incident report will be completed for all injuries for the YMCA records.

Safe Release

An impaired condition specifically related to alcohol, mind-altering chemicals or other medical conditions that render a person unable to operate a motor vehicle and thereby endanger the safety of a child who would be transported by the impaired person.

If in the judgment of the responsible personnel at the Preschool Camp, a parent or designated person appears to be unable to transport a child safely, the camp personnel will ask the parent or designated person to arrange such transportation. If the person is unwilling to provide such alternate transportation, the matter will be referred to the police before the child is released for transportation. Hopefully, the necessity to implement this policy will not arise, but should it, the parent/the designated person must be apprised of the policy.

Termination and Suspension

The Sewickley Valley YMCA reserves the right to suspend or terminate camp services with a one-day notice. In cases where a child's behavior poses a safety risk to themselves, staff, or others, services may be terminated immediately. Camp services may also be immediately terminated due to overdue fees or inappropriate parent/guardian behavior, as determined by the Child Care Director.

visit www.sewickleyymca.org/feedback to report a safety concern, policy violation, or share feedback specific to the Sewickley Valley YMCA.