

Camp 60



This summer the Stanly County Family YMCA will be celebrating our 60th birthday. Day Camp will be right in the middle of the festivities. Whether we are looking back from where we came, taking time to enjoy the present moment, or brainstorming about the future, you can bet that campers will be safe while making their own great summer memories!

60+ Things Parents should know about Camp 60:

1. "To put Christian principles into practice through programs that build a healthy spirit, mind and body for all."---YMCA Mission Statement
2. Day camping is the Y's #1 program with more than 2,000 camps last year.
3. The Stanly County Family YMCA was voted the best summer day camp in the area for 2009!

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

4. Camp 60 is for children entering kindergarten thru sixth grades in the fall of 2010.
5. Camp 60 is offered at 2 locations: **YMCA Pavilion** and **Running Creek School**.
6. Camp 60 will run in weekly sessions from June 14-August 20.
7. Camp is held weekdays from 9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
8. Early and late supervision are provided from 6:45 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. for no additional cost.

Open House

Pavillion: June 7 6 pm
Running Creek: June 8 6 pm

STAFF

9. Family Services Director, Kelley Bigger and Family Programs Coordinator, Denise Crockett oversee both sites.
10. A Site Director manages each location. Some staff are current educators who enjoy spending their summers with kids outside of the classroom. Most senior counselors are college students or graduates who have been carefully screened and selected to provide children with mature and caring role models.
11. Junior counselors, between 16 and 18 years old, serve as assistants to adult, seasoned staff.
12. Background checks are done on every staff person.
13. All staff members receive 30 hours of pre-camp training, including CPR, AED, and First Aid.



FACILITIES

14. **THE PAVILION SITE** is located at 115 Glenn St. in Albemarle, across the street from the YMCA. Facilities include the Pavilion, park, two softball fields, two gyms, two wallyball courts, two indoor pools, and a chapel. Phone Numbers..... Pavilion: 704.982.5489 and Cell Number: 704.985.5797.
15. **THE RUNNING CREEK SITE** 18231 Running Creek Church Road, Locust. Facilities include classrooms, playground, library, computer lab, gym, cafeteria and field areas. RC Campers travel weekly (each Wed.) to the YMCA. Phone Numbers.....RC School Classroom :704.982.1149x3650 and Cell Number:704-985-6710.



SWIMMING INFO

16. Campers should bring their bathing suit and towel on swim days.
17. All campers must take a swim test to determine their ability.
18. Pavilion kindergarteners swim Tues, Thurs and Fri.
19. Pavilion 1st -3rd graders swim Mon, Wed, Thurs and Fri.
20. Pavilion 4th-6th graders swim Mon, Tues, Wed and Fri.
21. All Running Creek campers swim on Wed.
22. Campers with open sores and rashes will not be allowed to swim. This determination will be made by aquatics staff.

FIELD TRIPS

23. Running Creek campers will travel to the YMCA each Wednesday.
24. Pavilion campers will take some trips throughout the summer with advance notice.
25. **Children must be at camp by 8:30 a.m. on field trip days.**
26. **Children must wear their summer camp t-shirt on field trip days.**
27. SCUSA transports children on all trips. For everyone's safety, campers must follow SCUSA rules in order to be allowed to participate in trips: Seat belts must be worn at all times, no physical contact with driver or other passengers, no profanity, riders must remain in seat, no screaming, no inappropriate display of affection, and no eating, drinking or smoking on bus.

BEAD NECKLACES

28. Bead Necklaces are a very important tradition at summer camp.
29. Beads may be earned for displaying traits that show good character, learning weekly Bible verses, and family participation. If a child does not wear his/her necklace, he/she may not earn a bead that day (simply because beads get lost if they cannot be put on a necklace). If a child loses his/her necklace, we will replace the lanyard, but not all of the beads. Please help your camper remember to wear the necklace daily.
30. Bead colors and their meanings:
 - Red=caring
 - Blue=honesty
 - Yellow=respect
 - Green=responsibility
 - Purple=faith
 - White=family participation
 - Black=Bible verse memorization
 - Sparkly=given by specific counselor for going over and above expectations



THINGS TO BRING/WEAR TO CAMP

31. A healthy lunch in an insulated box/bag & drink (No microwaveables please), bead necklaces, bathing suit, towel
32. Everything labeled
33. Clothing and tennis shoes that can get dirty
34. A positive attitude

THINGS TO LEAVE AT HOME

35. Sandals and open-toed shoes, crocs, gameboys, ipods, cell phones
36. No guns, knives, or other weapons are permitted at camp.
37. THE YMCA IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY LOST, STOLEN, OR BROKEN ITEMS. LABEL EVERYTHING!!! Lost articles will be placed in our lost and found area. Parents may check at any time for lost items. All articles not claimed will be taken to the Stanly Community Clothing Closet at the end of each month.

PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES

38. One of our goals is to strengthen the family unit. Throughout the summer, there will be numerous opportunities for families to spend time together. Watch for details in your weekly newsletters. All families are encouraged to participate.
39. Please send your child to camp each day properly dressed and with a healthy lunch.
40. Campers must wear his/her camp t-shirt on field trip days. **Children WILL NOT be allowed to go on field trips without their camp t-shirt.**
41. Discuss any concerns or comments with your site director.
42. It is essential that you keep your registration information, phone numbers, and emergency contacts current.
43. Account balances must be kept current. If you should experience a difficult time meeting your obligations, contact Kelley Bigger, Family Services Director immediately.

MEDICAL POLICIES

44. Site Directors and/or Asst. S.D. only can administer medication to campers when the proper forms are completed and signed by parents. These forms are available from Site Directors.
45. All medications must be sent in the original container. Physician's directions must be clearly written on prescription medications.
46. Please do not send your child to camp if he/she has had one or more of the following in the last 24 hours:
 - A temperature of 100° (or higher)
 - Vomiting or diarrhea
47. A staff member will call you immediately to pick up your child if he/she becomes ill while at camp.
48. In the event of a medical emergency, we will take the necessary actions for the health of your child and make every effort to contact you.
49. **Parents are responsible for their child's primary accident insurance when using the YMCA and when participating in YMCA programs off-site.**

DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP

50. In the mornings, please walk in with your child and sign your child in with the opening staff. Any special instructions for the day or comments and concerns must be left in written form for the Site Director.
51. Upon pick-up, PARENTS should enter the building. Staff will call your child to meet you at the sign-in/out table. Children must be signed-out each afternoon by an authorized person before leaving camp. This system is for your child's protection. Please do not drop your child off in the mornings or call your child to your car in the afternoons. We appreciate your support.
52. ****Children will only be released to those persons listed on their registration form. For the safety of each camper, children will ONLY BE RELEASED to an ADULT who is listed on the registration form and who knows the child's code word. If your child is to leave with someone other than those listed, you must notify the Site Director in writing. All campers must have a code word listed on their registration form. This code will be confidential. ANYONE WHO PICKS UP YOUR CHILD MUST USE THIS CODE WORD.**

LATE PICK-UP

53. Camp closes promptly at 6 p.m. We do understand that unavoidable situations may sometimes arise. If you find that you are going to be late, please call immediately to let us know so that neither staff nor your child will worry. You will be required to pay an additional fee of \$10.00 for each 10 minute increment past closing time that staff must wait with you child.
54. A cash or check payment to the YMCA is to be made to the person in charge at the time of pick-up. After waiting with your child for 30 minutes, camp staff will begin calling those allowed to pick up on his/her registration form. If staff has waited for an hour and you have made no contact with us, then we will call the proper authorities.

RETURNED CHECKS

55. You will be notified should a check be returned due to "insufficient funds". A \$30.00 service fee will be charged for any returned check. These matters are handled by Debt-Check Recovery Systems. After two returned checks, we will accept cash, credit card or money orders only. Should you at any time have a financial problem, immediately contact Kelley Bigger, Family Services Director.

DISMISSAL

- 56. Dismissal from Summer Camp and other YMCA programs may occur as a result of:
 - o Excessive tardiness in fee payments or failure to pay fees
 - o Severe or repeated discipline problems
 - o Disrespect, discourtesy or other inappropriate behavior by parent toward YMCA staff or participant
 - o Excessive or repeated pick up

DISCIPLINE

- 57. The YMCA wants every child to enjoy the activities planned and benefit from their experience at camp. A child’s participation in the YMCA’s summer camp program depends upon his/her behavior. Staff often go over rules and expectations to be sure campers understand what is needed from everyone to make camp safe and fun for all.

RULES

1. Be RESPECTFUL of others and their belongings
2. Be RESPONSIBLE for yourself, your belongings, and your community.
3. Be HONEST with yourself and others at all times.
4. Be CARING of others.
5. Be FAITHFUL in your actions

POSITIVE REINFORCEMENTS

- Receive Praise
- Receive Positive Notes
- Receive Special privileges
- Get a hug, high 5s, pats on the back
- Receive Special recognition
- Participate in Group rewards

CONSEQUENCES

- Remind child of rules and receive a warning
- Restrict activity
- Document behavior in child’s file
- Talk with parents upon pick-up
- Take away privileges/In-Camp Suspension
- Call parents immediately/Suspension
- Dismiss from camp

- 58. In severe incidences, the site director will determine appropriate consequences, which may include loss of swim time, field trip, or in-camp suspension.
- 59. **The site director also has the right to by-pass consequences 1-5 if deemed necessary.**
- 60. **Fighting, hazing, or bullying of other children, stealing and disrespect toward staff will not be tolerated.**





RATE POLICIES

Parents may register their children for any number of weeks during the summer.

Campers may also register as full-time (3-5 days/week) or part-time (1-2 days/week OR 5 hours/day for 3-5 days/week) participants. If attending part-time, parents must specify option.

To Register

REGISTRATION IS OPEN MARCH 4-MAY 10. Upon registration, parents must pay a first installment of \$15.00 per child/per week attending camp. At least one-half of the first installment is due at the time of registration. The total first installment may be paid in two portions, but the final amount is due on May 10. The second installment (remaining weekly balance) is due the Wednesday before each week of camp. Staffing and supplies are based on the number of children who have registered, so **the first installments are non-refundable.**

Registration is open until May 10th. Late registration (May 11th –August 13th) will be accepted, if space is available. At that time, first installments will be raised to \$20 for each week. This \$5 is an additional amount; it does not come off of the 2nd installment.



Payments

All second installments are due on Wednesday for the next week. For your convenience, we have several payment methods available. We accept personal checks and cash paid at the child care sites or at the YMCA membership desk. Parents may pay at the individual site with checks (payable to the Stanly County Family YMCA), which may be left in the payment box. Please write the child's first and last name and the week you are paying for on the memo line of your check. If paying with cash, please give directly to the Site Director. He/she will give you a receipt at that time. **Do not leave cash in the payment box. Do not pay with cash without receiving a receipt.**

We also accept Visa, MasterCard, Discover or American Express by phone, 704 982 1916, or in person at the YMCA membership desk. You may also have your child care payments set up on an automatic draft. Please contact Kathy Yow, YMCA Business Manager for details.

▶▶ A \$5.00 late fee will be charged for all payments made later than Wednesday. Fees must be kept current.

Financial questions may be directed to the Site Director, Kelley Bigger,

Family Services Director, or Kathy Yow, Business Manager, at the YMCA 704-982-1916.

Each family will receive statements upon request and when a balance is owed. ◀◀



Weekly fees

FULL-TIME (3-5 days per week)

YMCA Members at Pavilion Site & ALL Running Creek campers	\$114.00
Program Participants (Pavilion campers)	\$135.00

PART-TIME (1-2 full days per week OR up to 5 hrs./day every week day)

YMCA Members at Pavilion Site & ALL Running Creek campers	\$ 69.00
Program Participants (Pavilion campers)	\$ 80.00

Example: A full-time Running Creek camper registering by May 10th would pay \$15 per week upon registration (1st installment) and \$99 on the Wed. before the week begins (2nd installment).

*Families with two or more children attending camp full-time will receive a \$5.00 discount off their weekly fee.

*Families with children who attended the entire previous year of after-school care will receive a \$4.00 continuous care discount off their weekly fee.

Parents are responsible for weekly payments for each session registered unless the Site Director receives a "Schedule Change Notice" at least one week in advance. When turning in the notice on time, you will only then be responsible for 50% of the second installment, instead of the full amount. If the Site Director is notified less than a full week ahead of time, you will be responsible for 100% of the second installment. A blue notification form is included in this packet. Additional forms are available from the Site Director. Changes cannot be made over the phone. Credits for absences cannot be given. Please understand that your fees pay for direct operating costs; therefore, when you register for a session, you are reserving the provisions, time, space, and staff for your child whether or not he/she attends.

OPEN DOORS SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

1. *The YMCA's Open Doors Scholarship Program was implemented in 1990. Through this plan, a sliding fee scale for membership is available based on need. Proof of gross family income is required.*
2. *Assistance may be obtained by completing an application, which is available at the YMCA Membership Desk and gathering necessary documentation. Please leave this information with our Membership Manager, Susan Blalock.*
3. *Money to help fund summer camp assistance is provided by the United Way and grants from Speedway Children's Charities and Partners in Out-of-School Time.*



Phone Numbers

Stanly County Family YMCA 704-982-1916
YMCA Pavilion 704-982-5489
Pavilion-cell 704-985-5797
Running Creek Site –cell 704-985-6710
Running Creek School 704-485-8030
Running Creek Classroom 704-982-1149x3650

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A FEW ACTIVITIES

1. Make friends
2. Learn new skills
3. Do devotions
4. Play sports
5. Make traditional arts and crafts
6. Swim
7. Go on field trips
8. Have family fun
9. Play field and gym games
10. Free play
11. Grow in character
12. All camp events
13. Plant a seed
14. Read a book
15. Join huddle time
16. Earn beads
17. Make goo
18. Dance in the rain
19. Paint a masterpiece
20. Make something for someone in need
21. Learn to be a good sport
22. Make my community a better place
23. Sing
24. Take a nature walk
25. Learn a new Bible verse each week
26. Play water games
27. Be super silly
28. Play an instrument
29. Throw a Frisbee
30. Make snack
31. Wear my camp t-shirt
32. Run
33. Play on the playground
34. Ride the SCUSA bus
35. Teach a counselor
36. Eat healthy
37. Write a story



38. Play on a team
39. Go on a treasure hunt
40. Meet new people
41. Watch a movie
42. Jump rope
43. Rest
44. Have a picnic
45. Day dream
46. Dress up in costumes
47. Throw a ball
48. Meet a goal
49. Go on a bear hunt
50. Have my face painted
51. Count candles
52. Build a boat
53. Tie a knot
54. Pray
55. Swing on a swing
56. Play Sharks and Minnows
57. Build a fort
58. Blow bubbles
59. Decorate the sidewalk
60. Be the best kid ever!!!