

## Choosing the Right Summer Program for Your Child: A Guide for Parents





Ages	4 to 12	4 to 15
Program Eligibility	Available to families registered in YMCA Licensed Child Care only. CWELCC discounts apply upon registration.	N/A
Locations	At child care centres throughout GTA	At over 45 GTA locations; YMCA Health & Fitness Centres, conservations areas, community centres, and YMCA outdoor centres
Programming	Follows acclaimed curriculum, Y Licensed Summer Club programming is <b>licensed and regulated</b> . Brought to life by our dedicated <b>Early</b> <b>Childhood Educators</b> , Summer Club caters to the current interests of children which means that no two programs, or weeks, will run the same; weekly programming may include: • Group Games/Activities • Indoor/Outdoor Sports • Arts and Crafts • Special visitors and event days	<ul> <li>Y Summer Day Camp is run by highly trained staff and offers 25 fun and engaging indoor and outdoor camp program options for registration including: <ul> <li>Arts &amp; Culinary Arts</li> <li>Outdoor Leadership Programs</li> <li>Media Arts &amp; Science</li> <li>Sports Programs</li> <li>Swimming Lessons</li> <li>Variety – perfect camp program sampler</li> </ul> </li> <li>See the full list of programs.</li> <li>At least twice a week, campers will also have an opportunity to go swimming or have water play either on-site or at a local pool!</li> <li>All programs include a focus on character development; aligned to YMCA values and positively reinforced through our unique Values Bead Program.</li> </ul>
Other Perks	<ul> <li>Conveniently located in neighbourhood schools &amp; community centres</li> <li>Summer Club is perfect for children who feel more comfortable in a familiar environment, or one that's closer to home</li> <li>Small Group Ratios to ensure that each child's needs are met</li> <li>Extended Care is included in Summer Club fees (not in Toronto)</li> <li>Helps equip and prepare children transitioning from preschool to kindergarten in the fall; children continue to boost independence and enhance social skills while forming new friendships.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Bussing is available with 60+ pick-up/drop-off locations to ensure your child gets to and from camp safely.</li> <li>Day Camp busses are supervised by trained bus marshals</li> <li>Extended Care is available (for an additional fee)</li> <li>All programs focus on skills development including outdoor program skills (<i>i.e.: Archery, Fire Building, Slack Lining, Mountain Biking</i>) with daily camp touches:         <ul> <li>Opening circle</li> <li>Songs and games</li> <li>Every Friday each site will participate in Woo Days.</li> <li>Woo Days bring the entire camp together for exciting activities and creative themes like Minute to Win It challenges.</li> <li>Campers compete in teams or program groups, earning points through rotations and competitions to claim victory.</li> <li>Each Woo Day offers a unique experience, blending camp-wide fun with engaging challenges!</li> </ul> </li> <li>All Camp staff have a vulnerable criminal reference check on file, have completed Principals of Healthy Childhood Development training, and are Standard First Aid and CPR "C" certified</li> </ul>