SUMMER DAY CAMP 2024 DESCRIPTIONS



ALL SPORTS CAMP
GRADES 1-5, WEEKS 1-10

Campers play their favorites: Basketball, Flag Football, Soccer and Volleyball. Each week we'll have some friendly competition and mix it up with popular camp games like dodgeball, capture the flag and more!

AQUANAUTS CAMP AM (BRACE) GRADES K-5, WEEKS 1-10

During this half day option, campers will partake in swimming lessons during the camp day! While in this water filled session, campers will receive an hour of instruction in addition to enjoying other pool games and outdoor camp classics! All levels are welcome!

ART CAMP
GRADE 1-3: WEEK 1 GRADES 4-6: WEEKS 2, 3

Kids learn, explore and enjoy a variety of age-appropriate skills, mediums and techniques to create one-of-a-kind works of art. Watch for artistic masterpieces to come home with your young Picasso!

CAMP BOOMERANG (AM, FULL DAY AND TEEN OPTIONS AVAILABLE) (HEMBY) AGES/GRADES VARY, WEEKS 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8

Camp Boomerang™ immerses children with diverse abilities (ages 5 - 15) into the conventional summer day camp experience at the Brace Family YMCA. All campers participate side by side in age appropriate activities, sports and fitness. These activities include fishing, field sports, tower, swimming, archery, arts and crafts and much more. In addition, campers take part in specialized enrichment activities several times per week.

In accordance with YMCA camping guidelines, campers must be fully toilet trained (not in pull-ups or diapers) to participate in any Camp Boomerang $^{\text{TM}}$ program and must not have any significant behavioral issues.

BOOMERANG BUDDY CAMP (FULL DAY AND/OR AM) – APPROVAL FROM CAMP BOOMERANG LEADERSHIP REQUIRED PRIOR TO REGISTRATION; REFER TO PROGRAM BUSINESS OFFICE COORDINATOR OR BRACEFAMILYCAMPBOOMERANG@YMCACHARLOTTE.ORG AGES/GRADES VARY, WEEKS 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8

The campers selected for this program will serve as neurotypical peers in the Camp Boomerang program. These campers will do everything that is offered at Camp Eagle Rock but will be in a group that is inclusion based with some campers having diverse abilities. Participants must be at least rising 1st grade to participate and have to be nominated by a YMCA Camp staff member and approved by the Camp Boomerang Coordinator. This should not be sold at the front desk without express instruction.

CAMP EAGLE ROCK ADD-ON (PM) AT HEMBY PROGRAM CENTER GRADES K-3: WEEKS 1, 5 AND GRADES 4-7: WEEKS 1, 5, 9

For those families that prefer to extend the day, adding on to the Specialty Wilderness Camp or Nature Camp, we offer Camp Eagle Rock Add-on that takes place for the second half of the day. The time is filled with a chance to swim, play interactive games, and join their friends for an afternoon of relaxation and camp fun.

CAMP EAGLE ROCK: TREKKERS (HEMBY)
GRADE K, WEEKS 1-11

Our rising kindergarteners will enjoy full days of fun at Camp Eagle Rock. Trekkers will spend the summer playing at the pool, learning new games, doing arts and crafts, reading, and playing in the woods looking for Oscar the Bear!

CAMP EAGLE ROCK: PATHFINDERS (HEMBY)
GRADE 1, WEEKS 1-11

Rising 1st graders will have an amazing time and make great friends at Camp Eagle Rock. We will be swimming, playing games, singing songs, improving our Literacy skills, and working hard to win the spirit stick!

CAMP EAGLE ROCK: DISCOVERERS (HEMBY)
GRADES 2-3, WEEKS 1-11

Rising 2nd and 3rd graders will work on their archery skills, play games in the woods, play in the pool, and create arts and crafts. Discoverers are oozing with camp spirit, so they will be working alongside their group to win the spirit stick each day.

CAMP EAGLE ROCK: NAVIGATORS (HEMBY)
GRADES 4-5, WEEKS 1-11

Rising 4th and 5th graders will get to experience everything Camp Eagle Rock has to offer! Campers will swim every day, spend time at the archery range, have an opportunity to climb our Alpine tower, swing on the Giant Swing, fish in the pond, and enjoy a weekly theme through engaging activities, games and crafts.

CAMP EAGLE ROCK: TRAILBLAZERS (HEMBY)
GRADES 6-7, WEEKS 1-11

Rising 6th and 7th graders will experience everything that makes Camp Eagle Rock special. Their week will be full of fun adventures and chances to be silly! We will spend our week swimming, participating in teambuilding activities, playing a variety of sports, have an opportunity to climb our Alpine tower, swing on the Giant Swing, and using our skills on art projects.

ENGINEERING CAMP GRADES 1-3: WEEK 9 GRADES 4-6: WEEKS 4, 5

This camp introduces the engineering design process. It invokes imagination, problem-solving, and teamwork in our campers. Campers will participate in fun and engaging projects designed to spark their resourcefulness and creative skills.

LEADERS IN TRAINING CAMP (HEMBY) GRADES 8-10, WEEKS 1-10

Camp Eagle Rock is proud to offer a progressive Leaders in Training program for 13-15 year old campers through our Day Camp program. Our goal is to develop teens into talented & confident leaders through exposure to new roles and responsibilities at Day Camp. To explore their leadership potential, the L.I.T. program will include self-reflection & discovery, skills & talents assessment, activity specific leader training, camper relationship building, group work & problem solving in addition to having fun! Campers may start the L.I.T. program anytime throughout the summer and repeat it as many times as interested for additional learning experience!

MAD SCIENTIST AM (BRACE) GRADES 1-3: WEEKS 2, 4 GRADES 4-6: WEEK 5

Young science enthusiasts love this camp that explores all different areas of science. From wizards' brews to flying rockets, to learning about animals to exploring space, we have so many exciting things to learn!

NATURE CAMP AM (HEMBY) GRADES K-3 WEEKS 1, 5

Nature camp focuses on providing activities based around nature with activities and crafts that focus on using the natural environment, learning about the local environment, engage in various water-based activities, and be able to utilize our nature trail for different scavenger hunts and looking for Oscar the bear!

PRESCHOOL CAMP AM (HEMBY) PRE-K AGE 2: WEEKS 1, 5, 9, 10 PRE-K AGES 3-5: WEEKS 1-11

Welcome to our youngest campers! Join us as we explore the fun of summer through stories, songs, games, and lots of crafts. Your little one will spend their day engaging their imaginations and playing active games. Each day of the camp week will include water play to round out the summer fun! *All campers 3 years and older must be potty-trained by the first day of camp.*

PM ADD-ON CAMPS EAGLE ROCK GRADES K-3: WEEKS 1, 5 GRADES 4-7: WEEKS 1, 5, 9 BRACE GRADES K-6 WEEKS 1-10

Extend your AM camp day to full day with a PM Add-On Camp. Activities will vary by location and week.

SPORTS SAMPLER CAMP PRE-K WEEKS 1, 3, 5, 7, 9

Our youngest athletes learn age-appropriate skills for traditional sports like soccer, basketball and flag football. Your camper will be introduced to the importance of teamwork! They will also spend time participating in fun, traditional camp games indoors & outdoors.

TEEN CAMP (HEMBY) GRADES 8-10, WEEKS 1-11

This popular traditional camp for teens will offer exciting activities like group challenges, icebreakers, swimming and so much more. Emphasis will be on team building, leadership and building positive relationships. Each week will bring something new, so why stay home when you can have fun and make lifelong friends!

READERS' THEATER & LEGO® CAMP AM (BRACE) GRADES 1-3 WEEKS 7, 8

This camp combines reading with LEGO® play. Reader's Theater promotes an avid love for reading books and poetry through weekly read-alouds and discussions. Students will have free build time to create masterpieces with the iconic LEGO®.

STEAM CAMP AM (BRACE) GRADES 1-3: WEEK 6 GRADES 4-6: WEEKS 8, 10

Explore the world of science, technology, engineering, art and math through hands-on group challenges, experiments and projects that challenge and inspire creativity. Advanced thinking skills will be enhanced with daily opportunities.

WILDERNESS CAMP AM (HEMBY) GRADES 4-7 WEEKS 1, 5, 9

Discover the thrill of the wilderness in this camp that focuses on becoming one with the great outdoors! Spend plenty of time enjoying nature on our 20+ acre, wooded Hemby Program Center. Campers play games in the woods and build forts that they could only imagine in their dreams! They'll enjoy the week's unique theme through some of our activities, games and crafts ranging on how to build a campfire, tent camping, building survival rafts and more!