The essence of West Essex YMCA camps is the presence of supportive relationships, meaningful opportunities and healthy, developmentally-appropriate activities in a physically and emotionally safe environment. Our camps nurture curiosity and discovery, enabling campers to learn and grow. Give your child the gift of camp and enjoy with your family many treasured memories for years to come.

BELONGING
We’re here to make kids feel welcome. To help them quickly realize this is a place where they belong and can be themselves, try new things, make new friends, and be a part of something great.

ACCOMPLISHMENT
We’re here to surround your kids with fantastic chances to try new experiences, and show them all they can do when they believe in themselves.

FRIENDSHIPS
We’re here to inspire kids to work together and play together, creating friendships that can last a lifetime.
The West Essex YMCA offers age-appropriate, progressive camp programs for ages 3 1/2 years to entering 10th grade.

Our Camps
- Camp Peanut Shell (Ages 3½-5)
- Pioneer Trails Day Camp (Pre-K – entering grade 8)
- Super Summer Day Camp (Entering K – grade 6)
- Teen Adventure Camp (Entering grades 7-10)
- Counselor-In-Training (CIT) Program (Entering grades 9 & 10)
- Vacation Camp (Entering K – 6th grade)
- SleepAway Camp (Entering grades 2–11)

Fairview Lake YMCA Camps Located 1035 Fairview Lake Road, Newton NJ 07860

American Camp Association Accredited
As a leading authority in youth development, ACA works to preserve, promote, and improve the camp experience. In partnership with ACA, the YMCA is committed to ensuring that all YMCA camps provide:
- Caring, competent adult role models
- Camp communities committed to a safe, nurturing environment
- Healthy, developmentally–appropriate experiences
- Service to the community and the natural world
- Opportunities for leadership and personal growth
- Discovery, experiential education, and learning opportunities
- Excellence and continuous self-improvement

Our Staff
We carefully select and screen caring role models who demonstrate a passion for developing confidence and good character in youth. The Y maintains a commitment to a recruiting process that includes comprehensive training and background checks. A large percentage of our lead staff are year-round employees with many years of experience and training.

Before and After Care Camp Hours
All West Essex YMCA camps provide Before and After Camp Care at no additional cost. A variety of activities including organized games and crafts are offered in a supervised environment. Please check the camp listing for times and locations. Pre-registration is required.

How to Register
Early registration is recommended to secure a spot in the camp of your choice. Complete the registration form and return the original signed form to the West Essex YMCA. All campers are required to be members of one of the Metropolitan YMCA of the Oranges branches throughout the length of camp participation. A $50 deposit per week is required at the time of registration and the balance for all sessions is due in full by May 15, 2019. Payment plans are available, please speak to the Camp Registrar for details.

Financial Assistance
Every child deserves a camp experience. Through the ANNUAL CAMPAIGN, the Y raises money for camp scholarships. Please call or visit metroymcas.org/main/financial-assistance/ for more information and an application. Deadline for camp Financial Assistance Application is March 15, 2019.

All trip fees, camp t-shirts and swim lessons are included in your campers tuition. All you need to do is send your camper to camp with a packed lunch, a swim suit, and a towel!

Visit WestEssexYMCA.org for more information.
CAMP PEANUT SHELL provides an introduction to the camp experience on an intimate scale for our youngest campers. Our staff create a positive learning environment, encouraging every camper to make new friends, become more independent and gain a new understanding of the world around them.

ACTIVITIES
Each camp session is built around a fun theme that engages the campers in learning indoors and out. Campers follow a daily schedule which includes opportunities to be active, learn new skills and reinforce lessons learned in preschool in a fun, hands-on way.

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) projects, field trips, healthy eating experiences, arts and crafts and artist studies, sports clinics, and music and movement. Campers participate in hands-on social responsibility projects with other Y camps. Campers receive instructional swim lessons twice a week at the West Essex YMCA.

Please note - campers must be toilet trained.

SWIM LESSONS 2X A WEEK INCLUDED

Summer fun experiences are also available for children ages 1-3: This includes - water play days, sensory play sessions, sports and social skill building.
Campers 3 1/2–5 years old
Camper-to-Staff Ratio NAEYC staffing and safety ratios are followed throughout the year.
Camp Dates 
Session 1 – July 1 – July 26 (Camp closed July 4)
Session 2 – July 29 – August 23 3-day, 4-day or 5-day options available
Camp Hours 9:00am–4:00pm
Camp Location West Essex YMCA Peanut Shell Early Childhood Learning Center, 7 Regents St., Suite 706, Livingston, NJ 07039.
Camp Registrar Jaimie Behringer, 973 533 1511, Jbehringer@metroymcas.org
Camp Director Stephanie Anderson, 973 533 1511, Sanderson@metroymcas.org

BEFORE AND AFTER CAMP CARE is available from 8:00–9:00am and 4:00–6:00pm at no additional charge. Registration required.

VACATION CAMP is available June 24–28

Visit WestEssexYMCA.org to download the Camp Registration Form with pricing.

Please call 973 533 1511 for more information or arrange a personal tour.
PIioneer Trails Day Camp
Play All Day and Make Lasting Friendships.

PIioneer Trails Day Camp offers a traditional day camp experience for youth from preschool through eighth grade. Packed with age-appropriate activities and experiences, Pioneer Trails emphasizes teamwork, curiosity, problem solving and self-confidence, along with the Y values of caring, respect honesty and responsibility throughout our program.

CAMP ACTIVITIES Campers are grouped by the grade they will enter in September, with Pre-K and Kindergarten campers forming the Cougar and Bobcat groups. All camp groups follow a daily schedule of specialty activities, which takes them from the Flag Salute, announcements, and camp songs at 9:00am till the end of camp day wrap up at 4:00pm.

Activities: Archery, arts and crafts, computers, group swim lessons, indoor and outdoor sports, performing arts, recreational swim, STEAM, tennis, and more.

Family Nights are scheduled during camp season to allow families extra opportunities to meet counselors and enjoy the fun of camp with their camper.

Club Time Campers in 2nd – 8th grade choose an activity to explore each week from a changing menu of options including Art Club, Sports Club, creative writing, Science Club and more.

Special Events/Trips Weekly themes keep camp fresh throughout the summer and encourage campers to expand their interests. Each week of camp includes a special event such as an on-site educational/instructive program or field trip. All trips are included in the cost of camp, along with pizza for all campers on Fridays.

TRADITIONS Pioneer Trails Day Camp is founded on traditions. Campers return year after year to complete in the Camp Olympics and perform in the Talent Show. Many of our staff were campers themselves, completing a two year Counselor in Training program for the opportunity to earn a coveted Junior Counselor position and to pass the PTDC experience on to others.
Camper-to-Staff
Pre-K & K: 5 to 1; Grades 1-3: 8 to 1; Grades 4+: 10 to 1
Camper-to-Staff

Camp Dates
June 24 – August 9 (Camp closed on July 4th)

Camp Hours
9:00am–4:00pm

Camp Location
Caldwell University, 120 Bloomfield Ave, Caldwell, NJ

Lunch Program
On-line ordering available for an additional fee. Call for more information.

Camp Registrar
Kathie Amato, 973 992 7500 x113, Kamato@metroymcas.org

Camp Director
Joanne Browne, 973 992 7500 x115, Jbrowne@metroymcas.org

BEFORE AND AFTER CAMP CARE is available from 8:00-9:00am and 4:00-6:00pm on site at Caldwell University at no additional charge.

VACATION CAMP is available June 21 and August 19-23 at the West Essex YMCA
(See Vacation Camp page 12 for more information.)
At SUPER SUMMER DAY CAMP, campers gain self-confidence and build their team-working skills each day through sports and specialty activities that engage their creativity and curiosity. The caring, well-supervised environment and the extended hours provides peace of mind for working parents.

**ACTIVITIES AND TRIPS**
Campers are grouped by the grade they will enter in September. Campers follow a daily schedule with specialty activities from weeks 1–7. We finish up camp during week 8 with the Camp Carnival, two all camp trips, Field Day and the Camp Dance!

**Specialty Activities:** Archery (weather permitting - Grades 4 and up), arts and crafts, CATCH Games, cooking, dance, drama, kick boxing, science, sports, swim lessons*, swimming, Yoga (*Y pool swimmers only).

**Trips:** Campers go on exciting trips weekly; one trip for grades K-3, one trip for grades 4 and up. Best of all, trips are included in the cost of camp, along with pizza lunch for all campers on Fridays!

Previous trips have included: Keansburg Water Park, Point Pleasant Beach, Turtleback Zoo, Camel Beach, Power House, Museums, Pump It Up, Tomahawk Lake, Funplex and so much more!
Vacation Camp is available June 21 and August 19–23 at the West Essex YMCA.
(See Vacation Camp on page 12 for more information.)

- **Campers**: Entering grades K-6
- **Camper-to-Staff Ratio**: Grade K: 5 to 1; Grades 1-3: 8 to 1; Grades 4+: 10 to 1.
- **Camp Dates**: June 24 – August 16 (Camp closed on July 4th).
- **Camp Hours**: 9:00am–5:00pm
- **Camp Location**: All campers start the day at Livingston High School and finish the day at either West Essex YMCA or Livingston Town Pool (optional - town residents only, must provide own pool badge). Please indicate your choice on the registration form.
- **Lunch Program**: Online ordering available for an additional fee. Call for more information.
- **Camp Registrar**: Ava Collazo, 973 992 7500 x103, Acollazo@metroymcas.org
- **Camp Director**: Fran Egnezzo, 973 992 7500 x114, Fegnezzo@metroymcas.org

**BEFORE AND AFTER CAMP CARE**

is available from 7:00–9:00am at Livingston High School and 5:00–6:30pm at the Y or town pool at no additional charge.

Visit WestEssexYMCA.org to download the Camp Registration Form with pricing.
TEEN ADVENTURE CAMP
BUILDING CONFIDENCE AND TEAMWORK ONE TEEN AT A TIME.

TEEN ADVENTURE CAMP is designed to help teens strengthen decision making skills by encouraging positive values and providing challenging, fun and character building experiences. As teens are learning to make decisions about the world on their own, our caring staff provide guidance and a welcoming environment for all on the way.

TRIPS
Our camp follows an extensive travel schedule each week that balances enrichment with fun. Previous places we have visited include: The Intrepid NYC, Six Flags, Madison Square Garden, Dorney Park, a Broadway Show, beaches, as well as 2 weekly local trips such as bowling, ice-skating, trampoline parks and more. Check our website for an updated trip calendar for 2019.

ACTIVITIES
Each week teen campers also choose from a variety of workshops designed to develop new interests or learn new skills such as STEM, robotics, fashion, culinary or photography.

SPECIAL EVENTS
Campers enjoy coming together and participating in special events like Aqua Capture the Flag, Carnival Days, Color Wars and Yuck World. A special overnight event is an annual tradition at Teen Camp!
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                    **Session 2** July 15 - August 2  
                    **Session 3** August 5 - August 23 |
| Camp Hours       | 9:00am-5:00pm        |
| Camp Location    | West Essex YMCA or Livingston High School based on trip schedule. |
| Camp Registrar   | Ava Collazo, 973 992 7500 Ext. 103, Acollazo@metroymcas.org |
| Camp Director    | Mike Lee, 973 992 7500 Ext. 107, Mlee@metroymcas.org |

**Before and After Camp Care**

is available from  
7:30-9:00am at  
Livingston High School  
and  
5:00-6:00pm at the Y at no additional charge.

Visit WestEssexYMCA.org to download the Camp Registration Form with pricing.
VACATION CAMP WILL BE OFFERED TWICE IN 2019: at the beginning of summer for the schools dismissing early, and a week of travel camp at the end of summer, to wrap up a great summer and get ready for the school year.

Campers  Entering grades K-6
Camp Location  West Essex YMCA
Contact  Ava Collazo, 973 992 7500 x 103, Acollazo@metroymcas.org

Pre-Summer Vacation Camp
Based at the West Essex YMCA, campers will enjoy sports and games, arts and crafts and a special event (a local trip or on-site special event) as we make the transition from school to summer!

Dates  June 21
Hours  9:00am-5:00pm
Fee  See registration form

End of Summer Vacation Camp
The day starts and ends at the West Essex YMCA, with a full day trip in between. Previous trips have included: Keansburg Water Park, Rainforest Café, Camden Aquarium and Liberty Science Center. Spaces are limited. To enroll in the end of summer Vacation Camp, campers must attend a minimum of two weeks at Pioneer Trails or Super Summer. Attendance cannot be prorated.

Date  August 19-23
Hours  9:00am-5:00pm
Fee  See registration form

Before and After Camp Care is available from 8:00-9:00am and 5:00-6:00pm at the Y at no additional charge.
Leadership • Teamwork • Problem Solving
• Guiding Children’s Behavior

Many of our staff started in the Counselor-In-Training program. CIT’s work with either Super Summer or Pioneer Trails Day Camps to develop and learn the skills necessary to be a counselor. CIT’s will be assigned to a senior counselor to shadow each week and will be exposed to an overview of the counselor experience by assisting in the guidance of campers as well as the preparation and execution of camp activities.

Preference is given to teens who have attended West Essex YMCA camps. A minimum of a two-week commitment is required and must include the first session of camp.

To apply: Complete the CIT application, including references, available at WestEssexYMCA.org and return it to the West Essex YMCA. All applicants will be interviewed prior to acceptance to the CIT program. Spaces limited.

- January 31, 2019 – deadline for CIT applications from 2018 campers and first year CIT’s.
- February 1 – May 15, 2019 – Late applications will be accepted based on program availability.

Visit WestEssexYMCA.org to download the Camp Registration Form with pricing.
DID YOU KNOW?

You are a part of a diverse organization of men, women and children joined together by a shared commitment to strengthen our community through youth development, healthy living and social responsibility.

As the nation’s leading nonprofit committed to strengthening community, we believe that lasting personal and social change can only happen when we invest in our kids, our health and our neighbors. Across the country, issues such as unemployment, chronic disease, educational disparities and poverty affect the strength of our communities.

But where society falls short, the Y steps in to effect lasting, meaningful change. Every day our impact is felt when an individual makes a healthy choice, when a mentor inspires a child and when neighbors come together for the common good. Everything the Y does is in service of making us—as individuals and a community—better.

THE METROPOLITAN YMCA IS...

A CHARITY
The Metropolitan YMCA of the Oranges is a cause driven charitable organization that believes everyone, regardless of age, income or background, should be enriched by the YMCA.

Financial aid recipients in our service area shared nearly $1.2M in 2018 for membership, programming, wellness initiatives, childcare and education.

A HUB FOR VOLUNTEERISM
The Metropolitan YMCA of the Oranges hosts more than 1,000 volunteers yearly through partnerships with community organizations, businesses, universities and local school districts.

A JOBS PROVIDER
The Metropolitan YMCA of the Oranges employs more than 1,400 people and is a significant provider of first-time jobs for teens and young adults. The Y supports local commerce by working with hundreds of local businesses.

Camp Changes Lives!
Donate to our Annual Campaign Today!

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT: metroymcas.org/give
**SLEEPAWAY CAMP**

**Fairview Lake YMCA Camps** is nestled at the base of the Kittatinny Ridge on a 110-acre lake, 660 acres of woodlands, streams, ponds and open fields in scenic Sussex County.

From **June–August** we offer children **grades 2-11**, a beautiful, fun, adventurous setting in which to grow, play and thrive. Each of our camps has traditions, songs and stories that develop a sense of belonging in campers, even if it’s their first time away from home. Our highly trained and caring staff are selected to ensure the safety of our campers, and to help them realize their full potential, make new friends and try new activities. For over 100 years, campers have been calling Fairview Lake their home away from home, because of what they **BECOME**.

**Our Camps**

- Traditional Sleepaway Camp
- Environmental Trips for Challenge (E.T.C.)
- Ranch Camp

**Specialty Camps**

- Counselor-In-Training Program (CIT)

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**FAIRVIEW LAKE YMCA CAMPS**

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Family Camp Weekends
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Father/Daughter Weekend
Mother/Son Weekend
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