CHECK OUT OUR NEW SPECIALTY CAMPS!

Summer Camp
Richmond District YMCA
Welcome to the Richmond District YMCA Summer Camp! We are excited to spend the summer learning and exploring with you! Here at Y Camp, there’s fun for all!

**There’s nothing like The Richmond District YMCA Summer Camp, where we focus on:**

- **Relationships**
  We are here to inspire kids to work and play together, creating friendships that can last a lifetime.

- **Accomplishment**
  We are here to surround your kids with fantastic chances to try new experiences and show them what they can do when they believe in themselves.

- **Belonging**
  All campers are welcome here. They will quickly realize this is a place where they belong and can be themselves. Everyone will try new things, make new friends, and be a part of something great.

**When you choose the Richmond District YMCA, you give your child a summer of fun, growth, and exploration that he or she cannot get anywhere else. We can’t wait to be a part of your summer!**

*The Y. So Much More™*
WHO WE ARE
The Y is the nation’s leading nonprofit committed to strengthening communities through youth development, healthy living and social responsibility. The Richmond District YMCA has been a community hub for families since 1922.

HOW WE DO IT
We integrate our four core values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility in everything we do. We create extraordinary memories through providing opportunities to engage in new, fun and enriching experiences.

At the Y, we help kids develop new skills and interests, interact in positive ways, and engage in healthy lifestyles while being mentored by adult role models.

OUR IMPACT
The Y is, and always will be, dedicated to building healthy, confident, connected and secure children, adults, families and communities. Every day our impact is felt when an individual makes a healthy choice, when a mentor inspires a child, and when a community comes together for the common good.

FACILITY MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS
Along with the special rate for programs, facility members receive full access to our fitness facilities for one or two adults and any children 13-18 years old. It includes unlimited access to all Y’s across the Bay Area, including swimming pools, and classes such as tennis, yoga, boot camp and more. The Y is here to support a healthy lifestyle for you and your family.

BRANCH INFORMATION
Richmond District YMCA
360 18th Ave, San Francisco, CA 94121
P 415-666-9622
WEBSITE
www.ymcasf.org/richmond

FACILITY HOURS OF OPERATION
Monday–Friday 5:30AM – 9:45PM
Saturday–Sunday 7:30AM – 7:00PM

CAMP INFORMATION
Argonne Clubhouse and Playground
463 18th Ave, San Francisco, CA 94121
P 415-831-4068
Monday – Friday 7:30AM–6:00PM
CAMERON SMITH Family & Camp Director
415-666-9620 • cmsmith@ymcasf.org
CRYSTAL ABASOLO Camp & Teen Coordinator
415-666-9617 • cabasolo@ymcasf.org

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ABOUT Y CAMP

WHY YOUR CHILD BELONGS AT YMCA SUMMER CAMP...

OUR CAMP EXPERIENCE
With more than 100 years of camping experience, YMCA camps are a safe and nurturing place, where children build self-esteem, leadership skills, and a sense of responsibility for themselves and the world around them.

OUR COMMITMENT
Your child will find the confidence for creative self-expression through songs, art, new friendships, and new adventures. We offer more than nonstop fun. Your child will learn how to apply time, talent, and energy toward a caring, honest, respectful and responsible life.

OUR LEADERS
Each summer our camp staff complete an extensive summer camp training including camp safety, activity planning, CPR, First Aid, emergency procedures/ policies and more; making your child’s experience both safe and fun. We are caring, committed and experienced staff who genuinely care about your child’s well being and best interest.

OUR PLEDGE
We are dedicated to making your and your child’s experiences at YMCA camp extraordinary. At the end of the day, your child will come home with a positive experience, have learned something new, and created lasting relationships.

THINGS WE VALUE AT CAMP

SAFETY FIRST
• Low staff-to-camper ratio
• Campers assigned to a specific leader within the camp
• Monitored sign-in/sign-out only by authorized adult
• Staff training
• Safety standards
• Fully certified charter bus drivers

FUN, VALUE-BASED ACTIVITIES
• Variety of outdoor activities
• Field trips
• Swimming or water activities
• Hands-on environmental experiences
• Multicultural activities
• Healthy Living Habits
• Service learning projects
• Special events
• Positive adult role models

PARENT COMMUNICATION
• You receive weekly highlight sheets with activity schedules and special reminders.
• You can communicate with our staff to help your child have a great experience.
• Our staff inform you of your child’s successes and challenges.
• We welcome feedback from families.
• Family & Camp Director is available by phone or email to answer questions.
• We keep your personal information confidential.

REGISTER ONLINE TODAY!
CAMP TYPICAL SCHEDULE

**SAMPLE CAMP DAY**

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**CAMP FEES INCLUDE EXTENDED CARE HOURS AM/PM**

Schedules may vary. Contact the Family & Camp Director for details. Weekly calendars will be available for each session.

**SWIM DAYS**

Camp will take field trips to various swim locations throughout the summer. Certified lifeguards are always on duty. Locations include East Bay lakes, other YMCA and SF City pools, as well as a water park. **Adventurers through Movin’On Units will swim every Friday at the Presidio YMCA swimming pool.** Additional swim days will be noted on weekly calendars. ALL campers in the K-1 group must wear a personal floatation device (PFD) regardless of swim skills. All other campers will take a swim test prior to each swim session to ensure water competency. Please be sure to pack a swim suit and towel on swim days!

**FIELD TRIP DAYS**

Field trips generally depart at 9:30am and return by 4:00pm. This may vary for special trips. Please make sure your child is wearing their camp shirt on major field trip days. Camp groups will take smaller field trips throughout the week. Please check the weekly calendars for more information.

**INTERESTED IN RESIDENT CAMP?**

Spend a week at sleep-away camp in the Santa Cruz Mountains. YMCA Camp Jones Gulch, with its acres of redwoods, is the perfect summer getaway for youth entering grades 1-11.

Camp offers horseback riding, swimming, crafts, sports, climbing tower, canoeing, hiking, gardening and more. The traditional campfires, camp songs, and s’mores are all part of the fun as well!

Jones Gulch High Adventure Camp provides teens in grades 6-12 with exciting opportunities in a variety of activities as they travel together through some of California’s most beautiful natural areas. They also have family camps and user group facilities.

Call 650-747-1200 or visit Camp Jones Gulch online at www.ymcasf.org/campjonesgulch.
CAMP

Camp groups are divided by the grade campers will enter in the 2019-2020 school year. All camp groups will focus on our four core values of Caring, Honesty, Respect, and Responsibility through team building games, performances, group challenges and field trips. Each camp day begins and ends with Camp Connection, at which all campers will be together to celebrate the day.

DISCOVERERS

Our youngest campers are called the Discoverers. Campers entering Kindergarten and 1st grade are introduced to the excitement of day camp through games, arts & crafts, field trips, and more. This group goes on field trips that stay closer to home and has some quiet time built into the daily schedule, to ensure they are eased into the camp experience. They will spend their days playing, making friends, learning, and having tons of fun!

Grades: Entering K-1
Ratio: 1 staff leader to 8 campers

ADVENTURERS

Our Adventurers are entering 2nd and 3rd grade and are ready for a little more challenge. They will spend their days playing, making friends, learning, and having tons of fun, with an added bonus of some bigger field trips and more challenging activities.

Grades: Entering 2-3
Ratio: 1 staff leader to 10 campers

EXPLORERS

If your child is ready for some new challenges or wants to express more independence, then they are Explorers! Our Explorers are entering 4th and 5th grade, and take the summer by storm with new challenges and youth-lead activities.

Grades: Entering 4-5
Ratio: 1 staff leader to 10 campers

MOVIN’ ON

Movin’ On offers fun and learning for the more independent camper. Campers entering 6th, 7th, and 8th grades will practice youth choice and decision making while learning teamwork, leadership, and new skills along the way.

Grades: Entering 6-8
Ratio: 1 staff leader to 12 campers

ALLE CAMP GROUPS MEET DAILY AT THE ARGONNE PLAYGROUND CLUBHOUSE (463 18TH AVE).

COUNSELOR IN TRAINING PROGRAM

This camp provides a unique opportunity for teens to hone their leadership skills, gaining valuable training in team work, decision making, and supervision. Counselors in Training develop self-confidence and independence in a safe, nurturing environment. CITs also get lessons in risk management, working with children, games & songs, and more. CITs spend one week together (Session 3) learning interview skills, attending trainings, learning camp policies, and becoming a team. They then have the opportunity to sign up for Field Work Sessions, in which they will be assigned a camp group and support the camp day. CITs assist counselors, chaperone field trips, lead games, work with individual campers to support the entire camp group. CITs will also have opportunities each week to be campers and go on CIT-only excursions. There they will continue their team building and training while having a break for some summer fun. Attending all 5 days of the training session is mandatory to be eligible for Field Work.

Dates: Training – Session 3 • June 24-28
Fieldwork – Session 4-11 • July 1-August 16

Grades: Entering 8-10

Ratio: 1 staff leader to 12 campers

SEE PAGES 8-11 FOR DETAILED WEEKLY DESCRIPTIONS
SESSION RATES AND POLICIES

DAY CAMP RATES (ENTERING K-8TH GRADE & CIT TRAINING WEEK)

REGULAR RATE
FACILITY MEMBER · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · $295/WEEK ($236/WEEK FOR SESSION 4)
COMMUNITY PARTICIPANT · · · · · · · · · · · · · $355/WEEK ($284/WEEK FOR SESSION 4)

CIT FIELD WORK
FACILITY MEMBER · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · $75/WEEK · · · · · · · · · · · $295/TRAINING SESSION
COMMUNITY PARTICIPANT · · · · · · · · · · · · · $90/WEEK · · · · · · · · · · · $355/TRAINING SESSION

**SESSION 4 IS A 4-DAY CAMP – CAMP CLOSED THURSDAY JULY 4**

MEMBERSHIP
• No membership needed. Facility Members will receive a discount on all Y youth programs. Contact our Member Services Team at 415-666-9622 for more information.

FEES AND CANCELLATIONS
• A $35 deposit is required for each session. This deposit is non-transferable and nonrefundable.
• Cancellations and transfers must be received in writing at least 14 days prior to the beginning of the session. With this notice, you will receive your full payment, minus the $35 deposit, as a refund or credit towards future programs. Cancellations made within 14 days of a session are not eligible for refund or credit.
• Summer program fees cannot be adjusted for absences or vacations.
• Payment, in full, is due 14 days before each session. A $25 late fee will be charged if payment is not received by this time. Participants will not be allowed to participate in new sessions if there is an outstanding balance on the account.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
We encourage families who need additional help to pay for camp to apply for financial assistance, please pick up an application form at the Richmond District YMCA. Financial Assistance is made available, to the extent possible, through the generosity of our members and donors. Applications received by May 1st will be notified of award within 2 weeks. After May 1st FA will be awarded if it is available. Deposits and program membership fees are still required with FA applicants. Fees paid will be reimbursed if Financial Assistance is not available.

PAYMENT SUBSIDIES
Children’s Council or other agencies’ approved contracts must be turned in with registration. More information is available at the Richmond District YMCA branch. Deposits are still required for subsidized applicants.
2019 SPECIALTY CAMPS

Session 1 • June 10–14 (K-3) Lego Engineers  
August 5–9 (4–8)
Expand your imagination brick by brick through the world of engineering with thousands of legos at your fingertips. Design and build like never before, and be amazed by what your imagination can bring to life!

Session 2 • June 16–21 Y Chefs
Explore the colors of the culinary world as we chop, slice, and sauté our way through heated food challenges. Campers will learn proper cooking techniques as they prep and cook food from kid friendly recipes and will get a chance to bring home their tasty foods and recipes. YUM!

Session 3 • June 24–28 (K-3) Rad Science: Science Explosion  
August 12–16 (4–8)
Join us for a week exploding with fun as we take a deep dive into the universe of STEAM. We will focus on tinkering, marine biology, chemical reactions, and so much more! Each day will be filled with projects focusing on the different areas of STEAM.

SPECIALTY CAMPS RATE

FACILITY MEMBER · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · $385/WEEK
COMMUNITY PARTICIPANT · · · · · · · · · · · · · · $445/WEEK
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DAY CAMP SESSIONS FOR CAMPERS ENTERING K-1ST GRADE

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Session 2 • June 17–21 All Around The World
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Session 4 • July 1–5 Touch Down In SF
The city of San Francisco... There’s so much to offer! Let’s explore it together! Campers will visit many iconic landmarks of our great city and the surrounding Bay Area. This week, Discoverers will get a chance to tour Oracle Park, home of the San Francisco Giants!

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CAMPS PARTICIPATING: DISCOVERERS, ADVENTURERS, EXPLORERS, AND MOVIN’ ON

This year we will continue inventing, tinkering, and creating with the 3rd annual Thingamajig science fair where youth will come together in teams to invent something brilliant. Their projects will be showcased, judged, and have the chance to compete and win against Y Campers from all over the Bay Area!

LET’S MOVE, OUTSIDE!

Session 2 • June 17–21 Creature Detectives (Grades 3–5)

Let’s put your detective skills to work as we partner with our naturalist friends at Point Bonita YMCA! Feathers, bones and scat will never look the same as campers track and investigate animals that fly, swim and prowl in our National Park. Come learn about how life on the coast is one big mystery you can solve and see how you can use these skills in your very own backyard!

SWIM, SWIM, SWIM!

EVENY FRIDAY

Adventurers through Movin’ On Units will swim every Friday at the Presidio YMCA swimming pool. Additional swim days will be noted on weekly calendars. YMCA lifeguards always on duty.

At Richmond District Y Camp we want your kids to get comfortable in the water, learn water safety and have fun!

**PLEASE BE SURE TO PACK A SWIM SUIT AND TOWEL ON SWIM DAYS**
# 2019 Summer Camp Planner

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## Camps by Grade

### Discoverers (Entering Grades K–1)

- Safari Party
- All Around the World
- Back To The Future
- Touch Down In SF
- Y Camp’s Got Spirit
- It’s A Grand Slam
- Splash Camp
- Blast From The Past
- Youth Choice Awards
- To Infinity And Beyond

### Adventurers (Entering Grades 2–3)

- Safari Party
- All Around the World
- Back To The Future
- Touch Down In SF
- Y Camp’s Got Spirit
- It’s A Grand Slam
- Splash Camp
- Blast From The Past
- Youth Choice Awards
- To Infinity And Beyond

### Explorers (Entering Grades 4–5)

- Safari Party
- All Around the World
- Back To The Future
- Touch Down In SF
- Y Camp’s Got Spirit
- It’s A Grand Slam
- Splash Camp
- Blast From The Past
- Youth Choice Awards
- To Infinity And Beyond

### Movin’ On Camp (Entering Grades 6–8)

- Safari Party
- All Around the World
- Back To The Future
- Touch Down In SF
- Y Camp’s Got Spirit
- It’s A Grand Slam
- Splash Camp
- Blast From The Past
- Youth Choice Awards
- To Infinity And Beyond

### CIT (Entering Grades 9–10)

- CIT Training Week
- Field Work
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**All field trips are subject to change. Please check the weekly calendars for the most updated schedules.**

**No camp on Thursday July 4th** (Week will be pro rated)

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