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Findlay Family YMCA
SUMMER DAY CAMP 2026



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Discovery Camps ● Traditional Camps ● Preschool Camps ● Leaders in Training

OUR STAFF AND PHILOSOPHY

At YMCA Camp, we believe in the incredible opportunity we have to positively impact the lives of children. Every activity we plan, every decision we make, and every policy we follow is rooted in our commitment to providing a safe, nurturing, and inspiring environment. We take our responsibility seriously, not just to lead, but to model the YMCA core values of honesty, caring, respect, and responsibility in everything we do.

Our staff plays a vital role in creating this positive atmosphere. Each team member is CPR and First-Aid certified and completes an intensive, week-long training focused on safety, supervision, counseling skills, and camp procedures. To ensure the highest level of care, all YMCA staff undergo comprehensive local and national background checks.

Camp is more than just a place to play, it's where children make lasting friendships, try new things, explore the world around them, and gain the confidence to be themselves. With the guidance of encouraging and positive adult role models, campers are empowered to take healthy risks, tap into their imaginations, and develop critical life skills. The result? Stronger self-esteem, improved social skills, and a foundation for a healthy, active lifestyle—all in a fun and supportive environment.

At YMCA Camp, we're not just creating memories, we're helping kids grow into their best selves.

A MESSAGE FOR PARENTS AND GUARDIANS

Thank you for choosing Findlay Family YMCA Summer Camps! Our experienced and dedicated staff are preparing for another safe, structured, and adventure-filled season, and we look forward to welcoming your family for Summer 2026.

Summer is meant for kids to step away from the classroom, stay active, and build lasting friendships. YMCA Camp has always been a place where children belong, try new things, and grow. In a safe and supportive environment, campers are encouraged to explore their interests, build confidence, and develop independence through hands-on experiences and positive role models.

At the Y, camp is more than just fun. It's where children learn teamwork, resilience, and responsibility while discovering what they're capable of. Each day brings opportunities to gain new skills, strengthen friendships, and create memories that last well beyond the summer.

Whether your family has been part of our camp tradition for years or this is your first summer with us, we're proud to welcome you. Let's make Summer 2026 a season of growth, adventure, and great memories.

OUR FOCUS AREAS AND CORE VALUES

BELONGING

Every child should feel safe at home and at the YMCA. The Y is a place to be yourself and be welcomed by the people around you! We create this sense of belonging through our traditions and the relationships we build.

ACHIEVEMENT

We want to make sure that every child tries something new this summer and leaves with a new skill. This could be trying a new sport, learning how to make friendship bracelets, or even developing their leadership skills by leading a group activity.

RELATIONSHIPS

We help kids not only make new connections with other campers and staff, but learn how to be good friends, too. We do this through being intentional with team building activities, opportunities to learn about those around us, and using our core values.



OUR CAMP TYPES

We understand that campers want a new, dynamic experience each and every year. That's why the Findlay YMCA is proud to provide camp experiences with fresh and exciting activities for both new AND returning campers! We strive to keep our activities both fun and educational, so that campers can have a great time while also learning new skills and exploring different interests. All camp sessions foster growth and creativity while providing a safe and welcoming environment.

TRADITIONAL DAY CAMP

AGES: Rising Grades K-6

LOCATION: Riverside Park

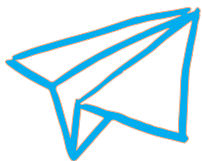


Traditional camps offer a fun, well-rounded outdoor experience with a little bit of everything. Campers have the opportunity to try new activities, learn new skills and make new friends, all under the supervision of enthusiastic role models. Traditional camp operates weekdays from 8:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., with pre-care available beginning at 7:30 a.m. Post-care is available after the camp day until 6 p.m. Campers should bring a sack lunch, two snacks, and a refillable water bottle to help stay energized for fun activities on hot summer days.

DISCOVERY CAMP

AGES: Rising Grades 1-6

LOCATION: YMCA Early Learning Center



Unleash your child's curiosity this summer with Discovery Camps - where indoor exploration meets endless fun! YMCA's Early Learning Center leaders engage young minds in a world of exciting discoveries, interactive learning, and creative activities in a comfortable, climate-controlled environment. Discovery Camp operates weekdays from 8:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily with pre-care beginning at 6:15 a.m. Post-care is available after the camp day until 6 p.m. Campers should bring a sack lunch. Snacks will be provided. Discovery Camps have a one-time activity fee of \$45 due at registration.

PRESCHOOL CAMP

AGES: 3-5 years

LOCATION: Central Church of Christ



Looking for fun, interactive, and imaginative experiences for your little one this summer? The Findlay YMCA's Preschool Camps offer a variety of themed adventures designed to spark creativity, encourage active play, and create lasting memories!

Camp Details:

- Time: 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
- Location: Central Church of Christ (behind the Downtown YMCA)
- Snack Provided: Nutritious and delicious!
- Dress Up Encouraged: Wear themed attire for an extra dose of fun!

CAMP SCHEDULE OVERVIEW

SESSION	DATES	TRADITIONAL	DISCOVERY
1	5/26-5/29	Camp Kickoff: The Adventure Begins	
2	6/1-6/5	Heroes of the Y!	Welcome to Summer Camp
3	6/8-6/12	Wild Explorers	Jungle Safari
4	6/15-6/19	Splashtastic Science	Mystery Detectives
5	6/22-6/26	Gaming Galaxy	Eco Warriors
6	6/29-7/3	Stars and Stripes Celebration	Shadow and Glow
7	7/6-7/10	Art in Action	Camp Carnival
8	7/13-7/17	Global Adventure	Mad Scientist
9	7/20-7/24	Time Travelers	Splish Splash
10	7/27-7/31	Camp Challenge Week	Quiz Quest
11	8/3-8/7	Spirit Week	Y Olympics
12	8/10-8/14	Sports Spectacular	School Days Countdown
13	8/17-8/21	The Best Week Ever	

PRESCHOOL	REGISTRATION END DATE	PROGRAM DATE
Under the Sea	6/2	6/9
Wackadoo!	6/2	6/11
It's Buggy out there	6/9	6/15
Princess Parade	6/9	6/17-6/18
Little Chef	6/15	6/22
Let's Get Out of Here!	6/15	6/23
Down on the Farm	6/23	7/1
Let's Get Messy	6/23	7/2
We Can Build It!	6/30	7/7
Little Ninja Warrior Training	6/30	7/9
Splish Splash	7/14	7/14

PRICING

OPEN DOORS FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

We believe everyone deserves a Y, so we offer financial assistance to individuals and families who might otherwise not be able to afford membership or program fees. If you have questions, ask a staff member about financial assistance. It's easy to apply and the Y staff does everything that they can to make the Y a place for all.

REFUND AND TRANSFER POLICY

Deposits are non-refundable under any circumstances. At the time of registration, a deposit is due for each session for which the camper is registering. Deposit fees are \$50 per camp per session. Up to two weeks before the beginning of the specific camp session, all funds, less the deposit, are refundable and transferable within other day camp programs as space allows. This includes camp balance dues. Within two weeks of the beginning of the specific camp session, all funds are non-refundable and non-transferable to a balance due or to a new registration. If a camper, without notice, does not attend a session for which they are registered, there will be no refund issued. In cases of homesickness, dismissal, or voluntary withdrawal, there will be no refund of any fees. A written physician authorized note verifying illness or injury is required in order to transfer funds to a future registration once the session begins.

WEEKLY TUITION RATES		
	TRADITIONAL CAMP	DISCOVERY CAMP
One-Time Activity Fee	----	\$45
YMCA Member	\$150	\$211
Program Participant	\$275	\$234

2026 PAYMENT SCHEDULE		
SESSION	DATES	DRAFT DATE
1	5/26-5/29	5/11
2	6/1-6/5	5/18
3	6/8-6/12	5/25
4	6/15-6/19	6/1
5	6/22-6/26	6/8
6	6/29-7/3	6/15
7	7/6-7/10	6/22
8	7/13-7/17	6/29
9	7/20-7/24	7/6
10	7/27-7/31	7/13
11	8/3-8/7	7/20
12	8/10-8/14	7/27
13	8/17-8/21	8/3

REGISTRATION

Camp registration opens on March 2, 2026. Online registration will be available after that date at www.findlayymca.org/camps.

To receive the YMCA member rate, you must be a member at the time of registration AND for the duration of the camp in which your child is enrolled. Grade levels reflect the grade the child will be entering in the fall of 2026.

Discovery Camps have the option of publicly funded childcare through the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services.



Scan for registration links or visit www.findlayymca.org/camps

TRADITIONAL CAMPS

MAY

CAMP KICKOFF: THE ADVENTURE BEGINS

MAY 26-29

Welcome to camp! The first week is all about building friendships, exploring the outdoors, and setting the tone for a summer full of laughter and adventure. Campers will participate in icebreaker games, team-building challenges, and camp scavenger hunts. We'll introduce our daily camp traditions and teach the YMCA's five core values through interactive stories and fun group activities.

JUNE

HEROES OF THE Y!

JUNE 1-5

Campers become everyday heroes! Through teamwork games, obstacle courses, and creative problem-solving challenges, kids will learn how courage, respect, and kindness make them real-life heroes. Highlights include a "Save the Day" relay, superhero costume day, and a visit from local first responders. Campers will also complete a small community service project that reinforces what it means to give back.

WILD EXPLORERS

JUNE 8-12

Get ready to venture into nature! Campers will discover trails, identify plants, and learn survival skills such as basic compass reading, knot tying, and map navigation. Nature art projects, bug hunts, and outdoor games like "Predator & Prey" will bring the week to life. We'll end with a campfire-style lunch and storytelling circle to celebrate our explorers.

SPLASHTASIC SCIENCE

JUNE 15-19

This week is a mix of experiments and splashy fun! Campers will learn about water cycles, surface tension, and buoyancy through hands-on science. Expect bottle rockets, mini water volcanoes, and "Sink or Float" challenges. Water balloons and sponge relays will help everyone stay cool while learning about the wonders of science in motion.

GAMING GALAXY

JUNE 22-26

Gamers unite! This week blends board games, outdoor strategy challenges, and real-life versions of camper favorites like Mario Kart, Among Us, and Capture the Flag. Campers design their own games and learn how to think critically while having nonstop fun.

JULY

STARS & STRIPES CELEBRATION

JUNE 29-JULY 3

Celebrate Independence Day, camp style! Campers will create patriotic crafts; join in red, white, and blue relays; and learn the meaning behind America's symbols and traditions. Activities include flag making, firework art, and "Firecracker Tag." The week ends with a camp cookout.

CREATIVE CAMPERS: ART IN ACTION

JULY 6-10

Unleash your inner artist! Campers will explore painting, music, theater, and dance through fun workshops. Daily projects might include tie-dye shirts, group murals, skits, and rhythm games. The week wraps up with a "Camp Showcase," where campers can perform, display art, and celebrate creativity.

GLOBAL ADVENTURES

JULY 13-17

Each day brings a new country and culture to life! From playing traditional games of Africa and tasting foods of Asia to creating crafts inspired by South America, campers will learn the beauty of diversity. Activities include an "Around the World" passport challenge and a global dance celebration at week's end.

TIME TRAVELERS

JULY 20-24

Travel through time without leaving camp! Explore ancient Egypt, medieval castles, and futuristic inventions. Campers might dig for fossils, build cardboard shields, or design "inventions of the future." Themed dress-up days will add to the fun.

CAMP CHALLENGE WEEK

JULY 27-31

Challenge accepted! Each day brings new adventures—relay races, scavenger hunts, and group puzzles that require strategy and teamwork. Campers will earn points for their groups through creativity, sportsmanship, and spirit. The week concludes with a "Camp Cup" competition and award ceremony.

TRADITIONAL CAMPS

AUGUST

A TYPICAL DAY AT TRADITIONAL CAMP

SPRIT WEEK

AUG. 3-7

Campers are divided into color teams for a week of friendly competition, team cheers, water games, and trivia. Each day has a dress-up theme (crazy socks, backwards day, team colors, etc.). The week ends with the epic Splash Friday.

SPORTS SPECTACULAR

AUG 10-14

A week of games, competition, and team spirit! Campers will rotate through different sports and activities each day—basketball, soccer, kickball, gaga ball, and more. Campers will track their team progress, learn about good sportsmanship, and participate in a friendly “Camp Olympics” all week.

THE BEST WEEK EVER

AUG 17-21

Relive the magic of our summer gone by at Summer Rewind Camp, where timeless traditions and classic activities like gaga ball, bumper ball, and dynamite take over. From your favorite games to cherished crafts, every moment is a nostalgic journey back to our summer. Join us for a session of summer classics and laughter to recap the fun of our summer!

7:30-8:45 AM

Pre-Care

8:45-9:15 AM

Opening Ceremonies

9:15-9:30 AM

Small Group Time

9:30-10:45 AM

Exploratory

10:45-11:00 AM

Snack

11:00 AM-1:00 PM

Swim/Group Time/Field Trip

1:00-1:30 PM

Lunch

1:30-2:45 PM

Creative Station

2:45-3:00 PM

Snack

3:00-4:00 PM

Group Time

4:00-4:15 PM

Small Group time

4:15-4:30 PM

Closing Ceremonies

4:30-6:00 PM

Post-Care

Questions about Traditional Camp?
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DISCOVERY CAMPS

JUNE—EXPLORE AND DISCOVER

WELCOME TO THE Y!

June 1-5

Welcome Week kicks off the summer with fun icebreakers, team games, and camp activities that help campers make friends, learn routines, and feel at home. It's the perfect way to start the summer with excitement, confidence, and new connections!

JUNGLE SAFARI

June 8-12

Jungle Safari Week takes campers on a wild adventure through the rainforest with exciting games, animal-themed challenges, and nature exploration. Campers will discover exotic creatures, navigate thrilling "safari" missions, and roar their way through a week of fun and adventure!

MYSTERY DETECTIVES

June 15-19

Mystery Detective Week invites campers to become super sleuths as they solve puzzles, crack codes, and uncover clues through hands-on challenges and team investigations. Campers will sharpen their critical thinking, teamwork, and observation skills while unraveling fun mysteries all week long.

ECO WARRIORS

June 22-26

Eco Warriors Week empowers campers to protect the planet through hands-on activities like recycling challenges, nature crafts, outdoor exploration, and team eco-missions. Campers will learn how small actions make a big difference while building teamwork, responsibility, and respect for the environment.

JULY—CREATIVITY AND IMAGINATION

SHADOW AND GLOW

June 29-July 3

Shadow & Glow Week lights up camp with fun glow-in-the-dark games, creative art, and exciting challenges that come alive when the lights go down. Campers will explore light and shadow, team up for glowing adventures, and enjoy a week full of bright ideas and hidden fun!

CAMP CARNIVAL

July 6-10

Camp Carnival Week brings the excitement of the fair to camp with games, challenges, creative booths, and festive fun. Campers will test their skills, enjoy friendly competition, and celebrate together in a week full of laughter, prizes, and carnival magic!

MAD SCIENTIST

July 13-17

Mad Scientists Week lets campers experiment, invent, and explore the wacky world of science with hands-on experiments, bubbling potions, and mind-boggling challenges. Campers will spark curiosity, creativity, and problem-solving skills while having a blast in their own lab of discovery!

SPLISH SPLASH

July 20-24

Splish Splash Week dives into a week of water-filled fun! Campers will enjoy exciting games, creative water challenges, and splashy activities that keep them cool while building teamwork, coordination, and summer memories that are anything but dry!

QUIZ QUEST

July 27-31

Quiz Quest Week transforms camp into a live game show, where campers compete in exciting trivia rounds, buzzer challenges, and fun team games. With fast-paced questions, playful competitions, and plenty of prizes, every camper gets a chance to shine in this high-energy game show adventure!

AUGUST—COURAGEOUS CHAMPIONS

Y OLYMPICS

Aug 3-7

Olympics Week puts campers in the spirit of friendly competition with fun games, team challenges, and skill-based events. Campers will build teamwork, sportsmanship, and confidence while competing for gold, cheering on teammates, and celebrating their achievements together.

SCHOOL DAYS COUNTDOWN

Aug 10-14

Campers will enjoy a fun-filled week that mixes excitement with a little back-to-school prep. Through engaging games, creative projects, and team-building activities, campers will sharpen their social skills, boost their confidence, and get ready for the year ahead.

Questions about Discovery Camp?

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PRESCHOOL CAMPS

JUNE

UNDER THE SEA

June 9

Whether you live in a pineapple under the sea or swim with the baby shark, explore life under the sea through activities, crafts, games, and fun!

WACKADOO!

June 11

Join us for a wackadoo of a time at this Bluey inspired camp full of silly fun, games, crafts and activities.

ITS BUGGY OUT THERE

June 15

We are going on a bug hunt but we're not afraid! We will hunt for bugs, climb through a giant spider web, make our own bugs, and take part in a worm eating challenge! (Don't worry, it's just gummy worms!)

PRINCESS PARADE

June 17 & 18

Do you love to dress up like a princess? Who is your favorite princess? Join us for this two-day camp for princess training where we will bring out the leader in ourselves and show our bravery and creativity! We will build a snowman and get tangled in Rapunzel's hair! Wear your favorite princess outfits! Parents, come to the princess coronation and parade on day two at 11 a.m.

LITTLE CHEF

June 22

Do you like to help out in the kitchen? Here is your chance to create and eat simple yummy snacks with fruit, veggies and other goodies. Learn about nutrition while enjoying games, crafts, and fun food creations!

LET'S GET OUT OF HERE

June 23

We need to work together searching for clues, solving problems and overcoming challenges to escape! It will take a team effort. Will you join our team?

JULY

DOWN ON THE FARM

July 1

Come down on the farm, milk a cow (not real), round up the animals, and participate in a tractor pull! Join us for fun games, crafts and activities. *There will not be any live animals at this camp.

LET'S GET MESSY

July 2

Get ready to make a mess! Enjoy messy crafts, snacks, games, and, of course, shaving cream fun! Dress to get messy and join us for a delightfully messy day!

WE CAN BUILD IT

July 7

Caution! Hard hat area! Come ready to move dirt and build. Let's work together and see what we can create building with Legos, blocks, boxes and more! Join your friends, there is construction work to be done!

LITTLE NINJA WARRIOR

July 9

Test and strengthen your ninja warrior skills on the obstacle course, through team building challenges, and fun games

SPLISH SPLASH!

July 14

Cool off with a day of water fun! Enjoy games, crafts, bubbles, sand play, and lots of soaking wet fun. Wear clothes and shoes that can get wet and bring a towel!

PRESCHOOL CAMP TUITION

YMCA MEMBER	PROGRAM PARTICIPANT
\$25 per day	\$105 per day

Save money with a YMCA membership! To receive the discounted rate, you must be an active member at the time of registration. Financial assistance is available. See page 5 for details.

LEADERS IN TRAINING

The YMCA's Leaders in Training (LIT) program is designed for incoming 7th through 9th graders who are looking to develop their leadership skills in a fun and supportive camp environment. This program offers older campers the opportunity to take on some counselor responsibilities while still enjoying traditional camp activities. Participants engage in workshops, supervised interactions with younger campers, program planning, and various camp activities to gain a better understanding of youth development from the perspective of a camp counselor. The program places a strong emphasis on cultivating leadership abilities, fostering teamwork, and instilling the core YMCA character values of caring, honesty, respect, responsibility, and faith.

By participating in the LIT program, youth not only get to enhance their leadership capabilities but also learn valuable life skills that can benefit them beyond the camp setting. Through hands-on experiences and mentorship from camp staff, participants have the chance to practice communication, decision-making, and problem-solving skills in a supportive environment. The program not only helps youth build confidence and self-esteem but also encourages them to become positive role models within their community. Ultimately, the Leaders in Training program equips young individuals with the tools they need to become responsible, compassionate leaders both at camp and in their everyday lives.

Participating teens are eligible to receive community service hours for active participation and full completion of the program. Participants must be able to attend all 10 days of the program in order to receive credit. An application process is required for interested participants.



LEADERS IN TRAINING	
SESSION 1	JUNE 8-JUNE 19
SESSION 2	JULY 13-JULY 24

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L.I.T. TUITION	
YMCA MEMBER	PROGRAM PARTICIPANT
\$300	\$550

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IMPORTANT 2026 DATES

March 2nd

- **Registration opens!**

May 26th

- **Traditional Camp begins!**

June 1st

- **Discovery Camp begins!**

August 14th

- **Last day of Discovery Camp**

August 21st

- **Last day of Traditional Camp**

PLEASE NOTE:

Discovery Camp follows the Findlay City Schools calendar, beginning on the first weekday of summer break and ending on the last weekday before students return to school. Traditional Camp operates on a longer summer schedule that compliments Findlay City Schools, along with our neighboring county school schedules.

Families have the option of choosing which camp is a good fit for their child on a weekly basis.

If you have questions about any of our camps, please reach out to the coordinating director:

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