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**Summer Day Camp 2026**

**James Fisher Memorial Foundation YMCA  
11010 East Argent Parkway, Ridgeland, SC 29936**

## Welcome to the #BESTSUMMEREVER!

The Beaufort-Jasper YMCA of the Lowcountry is excited to offer our Traditional Summer Day Camp at the James Fisher Memorial Foundation YMCA, located at 11010 E. Argent Parkway, Ridgeland, SC.

### Registration Information:

YMCA members may begin registering for summer camp on April 28. Registration opens to the general public on May 1 and will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

If you are interested in becoming a YMCA member to take advantage of early registration, you must join as an active member on or before April 27 to qualify.

Please note that online registration is not available. You can register in person at the James Fisher YMCA facility. If you are unable to register in person, you may call our main phone line at 843-547-1270 to attempt registration; however, priority will be given to those who register in person.

### Financial assistance:

Financial assistance is available for a limited number of individuals, based on available funding. We encourage you to submit your application as soon as possible.

Applications can be picked up at the front desk or downloaded from our website at:

<https://www.beaufort-jasperymca.org/financial-assistance>

If you have any questions about financial assistance, please contact Lou at [l.bergen@wardlefamilyymca.org](mailto:l.bergen@wardlefamilyymca.org).

### Payment Information:

All YMCA Summer Camp payments are processed through a pre-authorized credit card draft. You may select your preferred draft date; however, it must be scheduled at least 7 days before the start of each camp session. After the initial registration, no payments will be accepted at the front desk—no exceptions. If you prefer not to keep a card on file, you may pay the full camp balance in advance either at the front desk or online.

### Changes:

A \$50 change fee will apply per child, per session for any camp adjustments. All changes must be requested at least 10 days before the start of the camp session.

### Cancellations:

A \$50 cancellation fee will apply per child, per session. All cancellations must be submitted at least 10 days before the start of the camp session and require completion of a cancellation form at the YMCA front desk. Please note that no refunds or credits will be issued for registered camps that are not attended.

## **Camp Fees:**

Registration Fee: \$50 per child (one time fee)

Traditional Camp per Session: \$150 for Members / \$200 for Non-Members

Extended Hours optional add-on per Session: \$60 for Members / \$80 Non-Members (space is limited)

**The first two weeks of camp, along with the registration fee, are due at the time of registration. All remaining payments will be scheduled in two-week increments and drafted one week in advance.**

## **Communication:**

Please watch for a Camp Newsletter email each Friday, which will help you prepare for the upcoming week of camp. This newsletter is our primary way of sharing important information, including schedules, weekly themes, and reminders.

When registering, be sure to provide a current email address so you can stay informed about camp updates. We may also send occasional reminder memos during pickup.

## **Camp Details:**

Youth in our traditional camp will enjoy a mix of engaging educational activities and classic summer camp fun. It's not all work—campers will stay active and entertained with activities such as swimming 2–4 days per week, nature exploration, games, camp songs, and group or camper-choice options like field games, dance, yoga, and more.

Campers may also have opportunities to participate in field trips (details to be announced). Parents will receive a weekly email newsletter with information about trip locations and costs at least one week in advance. Please make sure you have a current email address on file to receive these updates.

**Camp Ages:** 4-9 years old

**Camp Sessions:** Monday–Thursday (no camp on Fridays)

**Camp Hours:** 8:30am–3:00pm (drop off begins at 8am, pick up at 3pm unless adding extended hours)

**Extended Hours:** 3:00pm–6:00pm (must be picked up by 6pm)

## **What to Bring & Healthy Habits:**

Please send your camper each day with a labeled backpack containing a water bottle (provided), healthy snack, packed lunch, sunscreen (non-aerosol), DEET-free bug spray, comfortable walking shoes, a bathing suit, towel, and a plastic bag for wet clothes.

Campers will participate in at least 60 minutes of physical activity daily, so please ensure they are dressed to be active. We encourage packing a healthy lunch with protein, whole grains, fruits, vegetables, and water or 100% juice to support a healthy lifestyle.

**Nut-Free Policy:** For the safety of all campers, peanuts and all other nuts, as well as foods containing nuts, are not permitted at camp due to severe allergies. Thank you for your cooperation.

Please note: The YMCA is not responsible for lost or stolen electronics, money, or personal items.

# 2026 James Fisher Memorial Foundation YMCA Summer Camp Registration Options

Check the boxes you wish to register for:

Sessions:	Traditional Camp Themes:	Extended Hours:
1: June 15-18	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Carnival Week:</b> Step right up for a week of carnival excitement. Campers will enjoy obstacle courses, face painting, potato sack races and carnival games. This week promises non-stop fun and laughter.	<input type="checkbox"/>
2: June 22-25	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Sports Week:</b> Game on! Ready, Set, Play! All-Star sports begins here! Campers will compete in various games like hockey, kickball, dodgeball , basketball and soccer while learning to show good sportsmanship.	<input type="checkbox"/>
3: June 29-July 2	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Around the World in 5 Days:</b> Fasten your seatbelt-camp goes worldwide! No passport needed: travel the world at camp! Stamp your camp passport: 5 days, 5 continents.	<input type="checkbox"/>
4: July 6-9	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Party in the USA:</b> Oh say can you see...another amazing week of summer camp? We'll turn it into a party in the USA with fun games and patriotic themes!	<input type="checkbox"/>
5: July 13-16	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Wet 'N Wild:</b> What better way to enjoy the warm summer than playing with water! Get ready to make a splash with fun water activities, from dashing over sprinklers to surfing across slip and slides. (It would be safe to pack a swimsuit, towel and water shoes everyday this week.)	<input type="checkbox"/>
6: July 20-23	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Holiday Hoopla:</b> It's the most wonderful time of the year at camp! All of our holiday favorite activities will be packed into this week long celebration. Whether it's spooky or sparkly, joyful or jolly, you'll have a blast celebrating each day with your camp friends.	<input type="checkbox"/>
7: July 27-30	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Olympics:</b> "Get ready to go for gold! At our Olympic-themed summer camp, campers compete in exciting challenges. From team relays to creative opening ceremonies, every day is packed with friendly competition, teamwork, and global fun.	<input type="checkbox"/>

## SUMMER CAMP BEHAVIOR MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES

It is the Y's goal to provide a healthy, safe and secure environment for all day camp participants. Children who attend the program are expected to follow the behavior guideline based on the Y's four core values and to interact appropriately in a group setting.

### **Behavior Guideline:**

- We will **care** for ourselves and for those around us.
- **Honesty** will be the basis for all relationships and interactions.
- We are **responsible** for our actions.
- We **respect** each other and the environment.

### **When a camper/student does not follow the behavior guidelines, we will take the following steps:**

1. Staff will redirect the camper/student to more appropriate behavior.
2. The camper/student will be reminded of the behavior guidelines and rules, and a discussion will take place.
3. If the behavior persists, a parent or caregiver will be notified of the problem.
4. The staff will document the situation. This written documentation "Disciplinary Report" will include what the behavior problem is, what provoked the problem, and the corrective action taken.
5. Staff will follow up with a parent or caregiver for progress check.
6. If the problem persists, the Youth Development Director will be notified and will schedule a conference with a parent or caregiver, camper/student and staff. Documentations and notes can be reviewed.
7. If a camper/student's behavior at any time threatens the immediate safety of that child, other children or staff, the parent or caregiver may be notified and expected to pick up the child immediately.
8. If a problem persists and the camper/student continues to disrupt the day camp program, the Y reserves the right to suspend or expel the camper/student from the program.

### **The following behaviors are not acceptable and may result in an immediate expulsion or suspension for the remainder of the current day and the next 3-5 days:**

- \* Endangering the health and safety of the children or staff, members, and volunteers.
- \* Stealing or damaging Y or personal property.
- \* Leaving the day camp program without permission.
- \* Refusing to follow the behavior guidelines or day camp rules.
- \* Acting in a lewd manner.
- \* Continually disrupting the program.

If any of these behaviors persists, the Summer Camp Director may suspend the camper/student a second time before expulsion. Immediate expulsion may occur if a camper/student is in possession of or using, tobacco, alcohol, illegal drugs, firecrackers, firearms, or explosives.

**I have reviewed the Behavior Management Guidelines. I understand and agree to all the terms presented in this document.**

**Parent/Caregiver Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_



# JAMES FISHER MEMORIAL FOUNDATION YMCA SWIM LESSONS FOR ALL AGES

**\$60 Members / \$90 Non-Members**  
Financial assistance is available.

## Swim Starters

Information for our youngest swimmers will be available soon!

## Stage 1: Water Acclimation

This is a child's first experience in the pool without parental assistance. Children who seem scared or hesitant in the pool should sign up for this class first.

## Stage 2: Water Movement

The child is comfortable with water exploration. Forward movement in the water is encouraged and basic self-rescue skills are performed independently.

## Stage 3: Water Stamina

At this stage the swimmer develops intermediate skills to swim 25 yards and tread water for one minute.

## Stage 4, 5 and 6: Swim Strokes

This stage builds endurance. Rotary breathing, breaststroke kick and butterfly kicks are introduced. The more advanced swimmer is introduced to open turns and flip turns. Freestyle, backstroke, and butterfly skills are refined.

## Adult Swim Basics

Adult class covers water acclimation, water movement and water stamina based on individual skill level.

**Scan the QR Code for dates and registration info:**

