## **Camp Speers YMCA in the Poconos**

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## 2023 OPEN HOUSE

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## **75<sup>™</sup>ANNIVERSARY**

We're celebrating 75 years of CAMP SPEERS YMCA!





### **Camp Mission**

Our goal is that each camper leaves Camp Speers a stronger person than when they arrived. We guide campers on the path to embrace the Y's core values of caring, respect, honesty and responsibility, which permeate Speer's programs and activities.

#### **YMCA Four Core Values**





## Why Camp?

- Allow children to be kids
- Engage in outdoor learning
- Make new friends
- Discover new passions
- Gain confidence & independence
- Try new things & expand comfort zones





## **Our Programs**

**Traditional Overnight Camp** 

- One & Two-Week Sessions
  - Speers Village
  - Coaching Periods

- Counselor in Training & Leaders in Training Programs

#### **Specialty Overnight Camp**

- One & Two-Week Sessions
  - Eljabar Village

- Horseback Riding, Dragonfly Forest, and 10+ Other Specialty Camps

#### - Special Program Focuses & Smaller Camp Sizes

#### Day Camp

- Monday to Friday Sessions
- Eljabar Village for Younger
  - Speers Village for Older
  - Horse Lovers Equestrian Program Offered 9 Weeks
  - Specialty Camp Programs Offered



## What's Camp Like?



## **Sample Overnight Camp Schedule**

- 8:15 Breakfast
- 9:00-12:00 Coaching Periods / Specialty Programming
- 12:30 Lunch
- 2:00-6:00 Waterfront Time, Cabin Rotations, Rest Hour
- 6:00 Dinner
- 7:00 Evening Programming
- 9:30 Prepare for Bed/Lights Out







High Ropes Course & Zip Line

#### Gaga Ball & Other Sports

Cooking

GAR

Archery

Drama & Dance

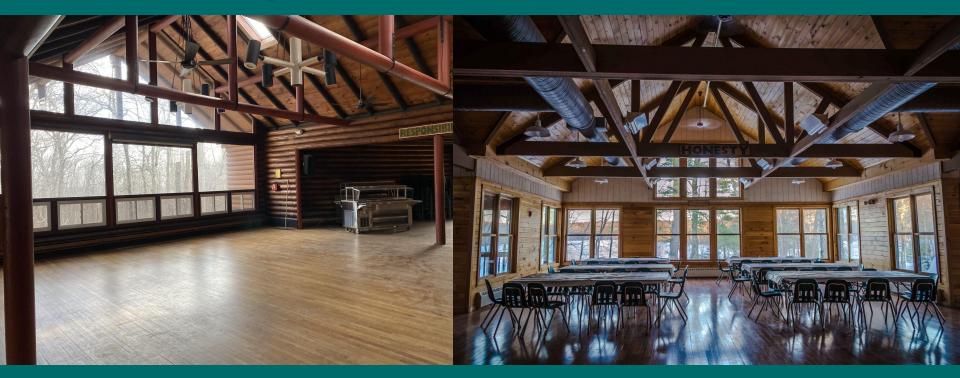
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## **General Camp Information**

#### Camp Store

- Campers will visit the camp store several times during the week
- They can purchase sweatshirts, t-shirts, hats, water bottles, stuffed animals, and other camp knickknacks
- The camp store will also have snacks available
- Campers can purchase postcards, stamps, and envelopes to write home

#### **Miscellaneous**

- Cell phones are not allowed at camp
- Label ALL belongings! Pack with your campers!
- Day Camp groups & Overnight Camp cabins are assigned by age & grade



## **Camp Staff**

Camp staff attend a mandatory 2-week training period before camp. Topics include:

- Mandated Reporter
- First Aid/CPR/Lifeguarding/Boating
- Camper Characteristics
- Program Area Training (belaying, archery, etc)
- Emergency Procedures
- Diversity & Inclusion
- Behavior Management
- Goal-Setting with Campers

All camp staff go through background clearances as well: Criminal History, Child Abuse, FBI





# **Questions?**

