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Dear Summer Day Camp Parent/Guardian,

Thank you for registering your child for the Marion Family YMCA's Day Camp. We're looking forward to having her / him as a camper and together exploring the great outdoors. Our goal with Y Day Camp is to provide a range of activities to entice everyone's interest in an atmosphere that reinforces the values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility.

The following is important information that you will need to know in order to better prepare your child for their camp experience. We will send you another letter the week prior to camp as a reminder and update on what to expect with greater details.

REGISTRATION & FEES:

- At this point, you should have already completed our registration paperwork. If you need to update or change any information, you may do so at the Service Center any time prior to the first day your child attends camp or when you drop him / her off at camp.
- \$25 per week deposit is due at time of registration. Deposit is non-refundable, however is applied to weekly fee.
- Fees for camp must be paid in full 2 weeks prior to each weekly session. For example, fees for the week of June 12th must be paid in full by May 29th. Children not paid in full by the deadline will be removed from the upcoming roster. The YMCA does not send out payment reminders or invoices.
- Once a week of camp begins, we will not give credits or refunds for that session.
- Tax Information: The YMCA tax ID number is 31-4380058. This is also on your original receipt. We do not send duplicate year-end receipts.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE: Financial assistance with camp fees is available for those who demonstrate financial need. This is an important part of our mission to be available for all. Financial assistance typically starts with membership. If you think you may qualify for financial assistance, please complete a Financial Assistance application. These are available on our website <http://www.marionymca.org/financialaid> or at the Service Center. In addition, any family can bring in their tax return to the Y Service Center at the time of registration for immediate approval. Families with annual income of \$35,000 or less may qualify for a \$35 reduction in fees. Only one of these discounts may be used during the registration process. All financial assistance requests must be processed at the time of registration.

TRAVEL: Camp begins and ends each day at the Y. Some days we will travel for different field trips. The bus leaves the Y at approximately 9:00 am. If your child isn't here, we will not wait for him / her. We will return from our field trips at approximately 4:30 pm.

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SIGNING IN AND OUT:

- A parent, guardian or other designated adult must sign your child into and out of camp each day. Our structured camp day runs from 9:00am-4:00pm. We offer pre-camp care from 7:00am-9:00am and post-camp care from 4:00pm-5:30pm. This is included in your camp fees. A child cannot be dropped off early to the Y before pre-camp begins without a parent, guardian, or other designated adult to sign them in. Pre-camp begins at 7:00am – please plan accordingly.
- If your child is nine years old or older, a Y member, and you give specific permission on the registration form for him / her to do so, then your child may sign him / herself in and out of camp each day.

WHAT TO BRING: Your child will need the following each day of camp;

- Sunscreen (spray is preferred)
- Water bottle
- Bug repellent
- Swim suit and towel (we may not swim every day, but please bring these just in case!)

WRITE YOUR CHILD'S NAME ON ALL OF THEIR ITEMS

ATTIRE: All campers should be prepared for a full day of activities outdoors. Campers should wear light colored, loose fitting clothing; shorts, t-shirts and gym shoes are recommended. All campers are encouraged to bring and apply sunscreen throughout the day. Flip flops or other open-toed sandals are not allowed. As we will be hiking, running and climbing good shoes are important.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Please watch your mail for an updated parent letter in the week prior to the start of camp. This will include more details on what you and your child can expect at Y Day Camp. We will also post a copy on our website at <http://marionymca.org/youth> the week prior to camp.

If you have any questions prior to camp, please don't hesitate to contact:

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