

YMCA Camping Services
Camp Ohiyesa & Camp Nissokone
Campership package

Dear Parent or applicant;

The purpose of the **Campership or financial assistance program** is to assure that all children are offered a chance to go to YMCA Camp with the Metro Detroit YMCA. Our objective is to provide a wholesome camp experience helping campers forge new friendships, strengthen their confidence and sharpen their character traits.

Due to the changing economy and job loss, many families find themselves needing assistance for the first time. Some families need a little help to bridge the gap; others need more help to assure their children can participate. In all cases, the YMCA is here to make Summer Camp possible because we believe that Camp has such a positive influence on children; it truly is a “part of growing up”.

Annually, YMCA volunteers raise money through the Strong Kids campaign, fundraisers and endowment programs to assure that all are offered assistance that need it. As family needs vary, anyone may apply by submitting the following application. Please read this packet carefully as there are steps that must be followed before an offer of assistance can be made.

Policies and eligibility guidelines:

1. Typical assistance awards vary from 20%-50% of the camp fee. The YMCA policy is not to exceed a 50% award, however all applicants are considered. Eligibility is determined on an individual basis. Camp uses a **sliding-fee scale** based on total household income and number of dependents. Special circumstances are also considered.
2. Financial assistance is granted for **ONE overnight Camp session per year per child or up to 2 sessions of Day Camp.**
3. ALL FAMILIES will be asked to **pay a portion** of the Camp fee.
4. Foster children automatically qualify as there are State funds set aside for Camp. Proof of placement must be shown and Camp fees must be paid in advance with State reimbursement going to the parent.
5. Transportation is **not** considered a part of the campership and is the responsibility of the parent. Bus service is available at an additional cost.
6. Camp store money is **not included** in the campership but can be sent with your camper.
7. Session availability may be limited, please be prepared with a second choice option.

How to apply for a Campership:

1. Fill out the attached **Campership application completely.**
2. Attach **proof of income** (previous years tax return **AND** 2 pay stubs or public assistance eligibility) Do not send originals, they will not be returned to you.
3. Fill out the **2010 YMCA Camper Application** and select your first and second choice session.
4. Return all of the above to:
YMCA Camping Services, 7300 Hickory Ridge Rd, Holly MI 48442
5. Please allow 2-3 weeks for processing. Incomplete applications will be returned to you. An offer of assistance is made to EVERYONE who applies. The offer must be accepted within one week.
6. If you have a specific Session you wish your child to attend, you must also include a \$50 or \$100 deposit (\$50 for Day Camp, \$100 for Overnight Camp) with the 2010 YMCA Camper Application.
 - a. If you are unable to accept the offer of assistance, **this deposit is refundable.**
7. Call the Camp office for questions: 248-887-4533

This packet is only an APPLICATION. An offer of assistance will be made to ALL who submit complete applications. If you are unable to accept the offer of the YMCA, the deposit is fully refundable. All applicants and camper status are held in the strictest of confidence. All campers receive the SAME level of fun, care and programming at Camp regardless on fees paid.

Thank you

Office: 248-887-4533. Email; office@ymcacampingservices.org

CAMPERSHIP APPLICATION

Dear Campership applicant,

To qualify for financial assistance all of the information requested below must be provided including the questionnaire on page 3 of this application. Be sure to include your proof of income and Camp registration form if you are requesting a specific session of camp with the appropriate deposit. **Forms will not be returned to you so make copies.**

Camperships are awarded for ONE Session of overnight camp or up to TWO Sessions of Day Camp per year. All parents or guardians must participate with a partial payment based on a sliding scale. Missing information will cause a delay in the process.

TO BE COMPLETED BY PARENT OR GUARDIAN

ONE CAMPER PER APPLICATION

Child's Last name: _____ First name: _____

Child's Birthday: _____ Gender: _____

Parents/Guardian: _____

Home Address: _____ City: _____ Zip _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email address: _____

Number of Adults in household: _____ Number of Children in household: _____

Employment & Income

Currently employed? Yes; No Employer: _____ Occupation: _____

Spouse employed? Yes; No Employer: _____ Occupation: _____

Monthly amount of public assistance: _____; Is this a Foster Child? _____; Is this a Group Home? _____

Name of Social Worker if applicable: _____ Phone: _____

SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES: _____

Total household monthly income: \$ _____; Total people living in household: _____

How much of the Camp Fee are you able to pay: \$ _____

Camp Program Request

Camp Ohiyesa; Camp Nissokone; Day Camp; Overnight Camp

If you have a specific session request you must fill out the YMCA Camper Application and enclose a \$50 deposit for a 1 week session or \$100 deposit for a 2 week session. These deposits are REFUNDABLE if you are unable to accept the offer that is made.

Session number or dates: _____

Please list any assistance received for another YMCA program this year? _____

Have you been granted Financial Assistance by the YMCA in the last three years? _____

By signing this application, I verify that the above information is correct:

Parents/Guardians signature: _____ Date: _____

Office use only

Program Cost \$ _____; YMCA Membership \$ _____; Transp. Cost \$ _____; Total \$ _____

F.A. guideline recommendation: _____% = \$ _____

Amount required by Parent/Guardian \$ _____ YMCA Assistance granted \$ _____

Accepted by applicant? Yes; No. Date Called: _____

