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SUMMER THE WAY YOU REMEMBER

Summer Camp 2013

YMCA CAMP EBERHART





Who We Are:

YMCA CAMP EBERHART MISSION

To put Christian principles into practice through programs that build healthy spirit, mind, and body for all.

How We Do This:

At YMCA CAMP EBERHART, we nurture the potential of youth, foster self-confidence and independence, and create a sense of community among campers of all ages through a wide variety of skill-based outdoor activities.

Our college-aged leaders are really kids at heart who we have carefully selected for their positive disposition and program experience. Each of our summer counselors completes a mandatory 10-day staff training and program skills testing. We recruit outstanding international staff and from all across the United States.



Where Are We:

First established in the summer of 1909, we are located on the shores of Corey Lake, five miles west of Three Rivers, Michigan. It is approximately 45-minutes from South Bend, Indiana.



How We Welcome Campers:

You will receive an email from us one week before your child's session – confirming registration, check-in date and time. We telephone all new families to answer questions about everything from accommodations to program activities and other interests. When you arrive, we will introduce you to our staff and your cabin mates. Sunday is dedicated to creating the bond between our staff and campers, to reduce first-night butterflies and begin friendships that will last a lifetime.



Accommodations:

YMCA CAMP EBERHART offers dormitory-style housing ranging from rustic stone cabins to log-style cabin lodges. All meals are served in Klinger Hall, except for the occasional cookout. Our infirmary is staffed 24 hours a day.

Daily Schedule:

Campers' days are filled with discovery and learning through a wide variety of programs and spontaneous experiences. Campers explore new skills and new ideas with the guidance of cool role models — our talented and well-trained staff. We provide structure each day so kids can enjoy all that we have to offer in a safe and meaningful way.

7:30 am	Wake Up
7:45	Flag Raising at Benches
8:00	Breakfast/Cabin Clean-Up
9:00	Chapel Talk
9:15	Programs
11:45	Open Program
12:45 pm	Lunch/Benches
1:45	Rest Period
2:45	Programs
5:30	Dinner
6:15	Cabin Time
8:30	Taps
10:00	Lights Out

Visit our website for a complete schedule.

Healthy living at YMCA Camp Eberhart is summed up with the motto: **EB-MM-LH**, or Eat a little Better, Move a little More, Live a little Healthier. We offer campers a nutritious menu with a variety of options at every meal, as well as encouraging them to be physically active every day.





During Chapel Time and at Benches, we share important information and our own personal stories, designed to help our campers feel informed and empowered to make good decisions. During rest periods and cabin time, campers develop deep friendships and build social skills which help them have a more optimistic view of their future.



Campers ages 12 and up are mentored by staff through our Riggers program, and cabin leaders make once-in-a Blue Moon wishes come true each week. We use Riggers, Blue Moon Wishes and campfires connect our campers to each other & to Camp for ever. Memories of these experiences have a positive effect on your child's life, long past the summer.

Summer Programs:

We encourage every child to explore new interests and everyone to support each other, helping kids to learn about fair play and to care for and respect one another.

- > Archery
- > Crafts
- > Astronomy
- > Boats, Canoes & Kayaks
- > Ceramics
- > Drama
- > Fishing
- > High Challenge *
- > Horseback Riding*
- > Horse Masters*
- > Land Sports
- > Nature
- > Outdoor Skillst
- > Photography
- > Riflery
- > Rocket Building
- > Sailing
- > Swimming
- > Tower Course*
- > Trail Biking*
- > Waterskiing/Wakeboarding*
- > Racing Skipper School†



*Participation in these programs requires an additional fee.

†New for Summer 2013:

Outdoor Skills Program:

- We help campers become familiar with the basic gear and shelter equipment for outdoor camp-outs.
- Knot-tying, rope lashing and the safe use of tools are practiced as we master camping skills.
- Campers learn the "how-to" and safe practices for building a campfire and cooking in a camping or hiking environment.



2-Week Advanced Outdoor Living (with excursion):

- With a solid understanding and practical use of skills developed in the first week, we prepare campers to use their skills with a supervised 3-night camp-out at Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore.
- For campers entering 10th or 11th grade, Weeks 8 & 9 only.



2-Week Racing Skipper Program:

- Designed to take your experienced sailing enthusiast to a new level, we develop your camper's proficiency in sailing, honing skills and sharpening abilities.
- Skippers learn to care for and maintain boats & rigging, the rules and etiquette of racing, participating in 2 regattas.
- For campers entering 10th or 11th grade, Weeks 8 & 9 only.

Frequently Asked Questions:

Who will take care of my child if he becomes sick or injured?

We have an RN or LPN Health Officer on site throughout the summer. We will administer medications, perform first aid and make your child comfortable in case of illness. We have an excellent relationship with local doctors, dentists and the hospital for emergency visits.

Please contact us if your child takes a prescription medication for specific instructions.

How do you make my child feel safe, nurtured and welcomed?

Upon arrival at YMCA Camp Eberhart, we take time to introduce each camper to our culture and rules. Campers form close bonds with their cabin mates and counselors. Our cabin staff is trained in inclusion, encouraging active participation from all campers. Bullying is absolutely not tolerated.

What do others say about your camp?

Ask someone who's been here. It's a great way to get the insider's perspective! If you would like a personal testimonial or reference from one of our Camp alumni families, please contact our registrar at joni@ymcacampeberhart.org. She will send you the contact information for someone as close to your home or family situation as possible.

Who do I contact in an emergency?

Our emergency number is **269 244 5125**, and answered 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Our Executive Director, Brice Emanuel, is available by cell phone any time: **269 816 2088**

What are the check-in/check-out times?

Check-in for each session is Sunday, 2:00–3:30 pm EST.

We cannot accommodate early check-in without prior approval. Please contact our registrar at joni@ymcacampeberhart.org if such arrangements are necessary.

Following a quick two-minute health screening, you will turn in any completed health forms and copies of insurance cards, if not previously sent to us.

Returning campers may wish to use our **Express Check-in**.

All fees must be previously paid, including store funds, programs confirmed in advance and medications pre-shipped. Use of our online registration is required. Contact our registrar if such arrangements are desired.

Camper Check-out begins no earlier than 9:30 am EST

on Saturdays, at the cabins. Please contact us if you will not be able to pick-up your child by 11:00 am. We have a nominal fee for campers staying over Saturday night.



2013 Summer Rates

2013 Season opens June 16!

	EARLY BIRD Register by 2/28/2013	STANDARD Starting 3/1/2013
Day Camp (entering K-4) M-F 8:30am-5:00pm	\$156	\$159
Three Day Resident Camp (entering grades 2-11)	\$404	\$415
Traditional Resident Camp (entering grades 2-11)	\$597	\$612
Additional Week/ Family Members	\$567	\$582
2-week Specialty Programs (entering grades 10-11) Weeks 8 & 9 only	\$926	\$950
Counselor-In-Training (must apply)	\$1158	\$1187
Stay-over Saturday night	\$25/wknd	\$25/wknd

A non-refundable deposit of \$100 per week of camp plus the total fee for special programs will ensure your registration. The deposit will be applied to camp fees and balance is due May 1. If balance is not paid by May 1, the total fee must accompany the registration. There will be a \$25 late fee if payment is received after May 1.

Ready to come back in 2014? Register now through 11/30/2013 to lock-in to the 2013 standard rate.



Every child deserves the sense of awe and wonder that can develop over a summer at **YMCA CAMP EBERHART.**

Together, we can give the gift of nature to all children.

*Special Programs Fees are in addition to Traditional Resident Camp Fees.

	EARLY BIRD Register by 2/28/2013	STANDARD Starting 3/1/2013
Water Skiing/Wakeboarding	\$109	\$130
High Challenge - 2 periods (entering grades 8-11)	\$109	\$130
Horsemasters (entering grades 5-11)	\$109	\$130
Tower Challenge (entering grades 4-11)	\$51	\$63
Horseback Riding (entering grades 4-11)	\$51	\$63
Trail Biking (entering grades 7-11)	\$51	\$63
Astro Camp - (entering grades 5-11) Offered Week 4 only, July 7-13	\$51	\$63

Visit our website: www.ymcacampeberhart.org for additional programs and full descriptions.

Our Special Programs are very popular. To ensure a spot, please register early and pay with your registration deposit. If the desired programs are full, you will be notified on your fees statement that you have been placed on a waiting list and your fees will be credited to your store account. After May 1, the total fees are due with your registration. Registrations are taken as long as there are openings.

Visit our website, www.ymcacampeberhart.org, to register for Summer Camp. Contact us at **888 922 6732** for more information.





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**Early Bird Rates End
February 28, 2013!**



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