

CAMP CHIEF HECTOR YMCA SUMMER CAMP PARENT NEWSLETTER

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A note from the Summer Camp Team:

We are so excited to be providing you with the first of our monthly parent newsletters for Summer Camp 2024!

This camp registration day, we saw over 2100 camper's get registered to join us this summer. These newsletters will provide you with monthly updates and information to prepare you and your camper to attend CCHY in 2024.



In the spirit of Reconciliation, we acknowledge that we live, work and play on the traditional territories of the Treaty 7 Nations. These are the Ancestral Lands of the three Bands of the Stoney Nakoda Nation: Chiniki, Goodstoney and Bearspaw, the Blackfoot Confederacy: Siksika, North and South Piikani Nations and the Kainai Tribe, the Tsuut'ina Nation of the Dene people, as well as the Metis Nation of Alberta, region 3. We gratefully acknowledge that this camp is named after Stoney Nakoda Chief Hector Crawler and that we are the current stewards of the land on which our camp sits. We are committed to exploring and understanding the historical roots of the YMCA relationship with the Stoney Nakoda people.

Newsletter Information

Each month, we will email registered participants a newsletter (and post on our website!) with information to prepare you and your camper to attend summer camp.

Each month will have a theme of topics it will cover. Please refer to these newsletters for all information.

February

First Steps After Registration

March

Preparing Emotionally for Camp

April

Packing Information & Camper Information Forms

May

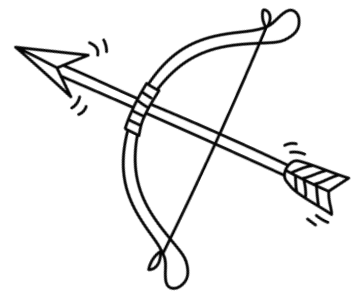
Communication: with us and your camper during summer

June

Last steps! Camper Check Lists and Final Reminders



REGISTRATION FAQ'S



FRIEND REQUESTS

Now that your camper has registered, you may be wondering "how do I ask them to put my camper with their friends?"

In spring, we will be distributing camper forms to each registered participant via email. These forms are mandatory to be completed prior to arrival at camp. These forms include medical information, contact information and also-- friend requests!

Please note:

- you may only request a maximum of 2 other campers
- for a request to be accepted, both campers must request each other
- requests must be in the same registered program to be honoured (ex. tipi vs. cabin)
- requests are not guaranteed, but we do our best to honour them!

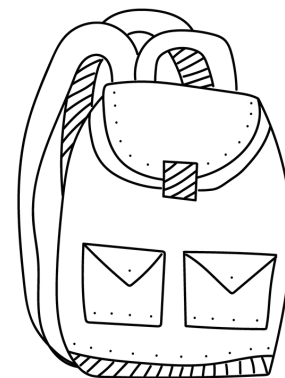
WAITLISTS

If you are on a waitlist for another program, we will send you an email if a spot becomes available. The email will contain a timed link that you will need to access and register within 48 hours before losing the spot.

Spots become available only if other registrants cancel, so we cannot predict if a spot will come available in the coming months.



A DAY AT CAMP




TYPICAL DAY AT CAMP

below is an example schedule of what each day may look like for your camper. This would be a typical week for a 6 day overnight camper.

Please note: this is not a confirmed schedule but rather to display the timeline of the day and range of activities your camper has access to.



Camp Chief Hector YMCA
Summer Camp

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
BREAKFAST 8:30AM Blocks run 10-11 and 11-12					
	Team Building Games and Outdoor Games	Rock Wall Climbing	Horsemanship Program (Visit the Barn)	Hike Back and Unpack Items from Overnight Trip	Parents arrive for pick-up/ride buses back to Calgary 10 – 12
	Challenge Course (Low Ropes Activities)	Flying Squirrel or Giant Swing	Drama Based Games	Arts & Crafts	Thank you for coming to Camp Chief Hector YMCA!
LUNCH 12:30PM Blocks run 2-3:30 and 3:30-5					
Unstructured Down Time 1:15 pm – 1:45 pm					
Arrive at camp! Meet your counsellors and your co-campers 2:00 pm	Waterfront Canoeing	Archery	Pack Items and Food for Overnight and Plan Route	All Camp Day Activities Done with Entire Section Together (Ex. Splashzone, Obstacle Course, Team Based Activities, Tug of War, Surprise Snack!)	
Get to know you games, site tour; welcoming activities	Forest Play (ex. Scavenger Hunt, Shelter and Fire Building)	Animal Game	Hike Onsite to Explore Trails and Set Up Overnight		
SUPPER 5:30PM					
7:00 Community Meeting 7:45 All Camp Campfire	Freebies!	Section Activity (ex. Capture the Flag)	Overnight Expedition Onsite	Closing Ceremony Campfire 7 – 8:30	
APPRECIATIONS AND SNACK 8:00 – 8:30pm					
SLEEP 9PM					

Example Schedule of Activities – 6 Day Program

PLEASE NOTE: THIS WILL NOT BE THE EXACT SCHEDULE YOUR CAMPER FOLLOWS

Building healthy communities



NEW TO 2024

SOME UPDATES TO 2024 SUMMER PROGRAMS

Camp has been undergoing some great re-designs to open in Spring of 2024 since last summer! Below are some updated construction projects that we are so excited to share with campers in the warmer weather!

NEW HIGH ROPES COURSE



NEW WASHSHACKS AT MIDCAMP AND HECTOR END



NEW BOWFORT END CHALLENGE COURSE



MEET THE STAFF

Each month we will feature some staff members at CCHY. We can't wait to meet you!



Trent

Camp Director
Favourite Camp Activity:
Expeditions &
Lawn Games



Taylor

Assistant Camp Director
Favourite Camp Activity:
Campfires & Forest Play

FEBRUARY REMINDER

IF YOU SELECTED TO SCHEDULE PAYMENTS FOR YOUR CAMPER'S REGISTRATION, YOUR FIRST PAYMENT WILL BE DEDUCTED ON MARCH 1ST



CAMPER'S CORNER

Share this page with your camper to get them excited for camp!



What has roots that nobody sees, is taller than trees. Up and up it goes, and yet never grows?

a mountain

What do you call a flower that runs on electricity?

A power plant!



Which animal tracks do you spot in this picture? Hint: this animal lives at camp!

white tailed deer



STAY CONNECTED

We know you are a parent of a camper but were you also a camper? Did you work at Camp? Did you come to Camp for Outdoor School? Have you volunteered at Camp? If one or many is true...you are Alumni!

We are growing our Alumni list, and we'd love to include you and hear your Camp story(ies). Reconnect with us by filling out the short Alumni Survey and joining the CCH Alumni Facebook Group.

We are planning many fun ways for you to see Camp again, give back to Camp in sweat equity, and meet up with your Camp peeps. We'll keep you informed about all of these things throughout the year via the Alumni Newsletter and social media posts.

Please fill out this survey to connect with us: [ALUMNI SURVEY](#)



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