



Camp Sloane YMCA

FAMILY CAMP HANDBOOK



THE FAMILY CAMP EXPERIENCE

JOIN US FOR THREE DAYS OF FUN AND RELAXATION

Sometimes you need to disconnect to make real connections. Spend quality time with your family before the hectic school year starts again and reconnect with nature here at the serene surroundings of Camp Sloane! Family Camp is traditionally visited by a lot of Camp Sloane alumni and current families. However, we also have families come up for their first Camp Sloane experience.

Whether you are Camp Sloane Alum, a returning Camp Sloane family or you simply want to see what Camp Sloane is all about, this is the weekend to turn off your phones, disconnect from your screens and focus on the simpler things in life.

Sign up today for this incredible weekend of fun, adventurous connections. Camp is calling! Climb the tower, zip the biplane or swing from the trees! Take a boat out for an afternoon on the water or waterski around Long Pond. Put your dancing shoes on for a traditional Camp Sloane square dance! Or just relax by your families assigned tent, and enjoy some downtime around the campfire!



FAMILY CAMP ACTIVITIES

Create your own schedule

While at Family Camp you can create your own schedule. We will provide you with a general outline when activity areas are opened. You can decide which activities you would like to attend.

Underneath you can find an example schedule for a typical Family Camp day:

Saturday

7:00am	Early bird canoe and kayak tour of the lake
8:00am	Breakfast
9:00am-10:00am	Camp Store open
9:45am-10:00am	Mountain bike check out
10:00am-12:00pm	Morning activities
	Pool, boating, climbing tower, archery & athletics open.
10:00am-12:00pm	Kinder care (age 3+)
12:30pm	Lunch
1:00pm-1:30pm	Camp Store open
2:00pm-5:00pm	Afternoon activities
	Pool, boating, Tie-Dye, Giant swing (high ropes), Zip-Line are open
2:15pm-5:00pm	Kinder care (age 3+)
5:00pm-5:30pm	Mountain bike check in
5:00pm-5:45pm	Pool still open
6:00pm	BBQ-dinner at the dining hall
7:30pm	Square Dance!
9:00pm	“Pool” off in the “cool”
10:00pm	Ssshhhh - Quiet hours begin

(Waterski lessons run by the hour throughout the day. Tickets can be purchased at the Camp Store)



ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE

Arrival and departure

Check-in is at the front gate. Any balance of registration fees must be paid upon arrival via credit card in order to enter Camp Sloane YMCA. Checks will only be accepted up until August 25, not at check-in. No one will be admitted without a registration paid in full.

THERE IS NO EVENING MEAL ON FRIDAY NIGHT. Please plan accordingly

Check-in on Friday is between 4:00PM and 10:00PM

Check-in on Saturday is between 8:00AM and 12:00PM

The camp gate will be closed after 10:00 PM on Friday night. If you need to arrive at a time outside of the listed check-in times, call Camp Sloane at 860-435-2557 to make arrangements

For the safety and security of everyone at Family Camp, all registered participants will be given a wristband on arrival. You are required to have your wristband on throughout the weekend. All vehicles will be given a parking pass. The parking pass must remain visible on the dashboard of your vehicle throughout the weekend.

Village, Tent and Cabin Requests

We will be asking all our families if they prefer to stay on the Family side of camp or the Adult side. The Family side works well for folks who tend to be early to rise and have young children. Quiet hours will be from 10:00PM to 6:00AM. The adult side is great for night owls who like the quiet and serenity of morning to wash over them until just a few moments before breakfast. Quiet hours will be from midnight to 8:00AM.

We will make every effort to honor your village and tent request. However, Camp Sloane YMCA reserves the right to make all final decisions regarding housing assignments. If you are unsure of where you stayed last year, please call Camp Sloane at 860-435-2557 and ask—we'll help you out!

In general, we assign one family to each tent. However, Camp Sloane YMCA reserves the right to assign participants to as many bed spaces as are available in each tent (max. 8).

Cabin rooms are rented as a unit and are considered to be in the Family side of camp. They include the registration fee for as many as two or four people, depending on the number of bed in each room. A family or group may not register more people than the number of beds for each room.

DISCLAIMER / AGREEMENT

I am aware and understand that participating in activities while at Camp Sloane YMCA involves a potential risk of physical injury. I also am aware and understand that all of the program activities are strictly voluntary and it is my choice to participate in each activity to whatever degree I deem appropriate, after due consideration of my own physical health, abilities and medical condition.

I agree that I am solely responsible for my own participation and for my own physical and emotional well-being. I will not be under the influence of any chemical substance, including alcohol, while participating.

I willingly and knowingly assume for myself, my heirs, family members, executors, administrators, and assume all risk of physical injury and emotional upset which may occur during or after participating in any aspect of the program and to hold the YMCA, its employees, instructors, facilitators and agents harmless for any liability arising out of my participation in the program. Should the YMCA or anyone acting on their behalf be required to incur attorney's fees and costs to enforce this agreement, I agree to indemnify (to shift the responsibility for payment of damages to someone else) and hold the YMCA harmless for all such fees and cost. This release does not apply to any physical injury or emotional harm caused by negligence or willful misconduct of the YMCA, its employees, instructors, facilitators or agents.

The potential of contracting Lyme Disease increases in rural settings such as Camp Sloane. All participants should check themselves regularly for ticks and become educated, in advance of attending camp, on the signs and symptoms of Lyme Disease, and other tick and mosquito borne illnesses which may occur days or months after an encounter with a tick or mosquito.

I authorize the YMCA to have and use photographs, slides and videotapes of the person named above as needed for its records and public relations programs.



TERMS AND CONDITIONS

ABSOLUTELY NO PETS ARE PERMITTED ON CAMP SLOANE YMCA PROPERTY. For the safety of your pet and your fellow campers, leave your pet at home. Fireworks, firearms and personal motorized watercraft are prohibited. You will receive an overview of the weekend's events, packing list and other information prior to Family Camp. The schedule for waterski lessons will be set at the beginning of the weekend.

Payment and refund policy

Registration fees must be paid in full to secure housing assignment and entrance to Camp Sloane YMCA. You can pay by credit card or check. If you wish to pay by check, your check must be mailed in to Camp Sloane by August 16. No checks will be accepted after August 16, only credit card payments.

Early Bird registration fees must be paid in full no later than August 16. Registrations not paid in full by this date will be charged the late registration fee, regardless of the date on which the registration was received by Camp Sloane YMCA.

Refunds for cancelled registration will be given until August 16, less a \$100 cancellation fee. After August 20, no refunds of fees will be given except for documented medical reasons.

