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Central Massachusetts

**SUMMER  
CAMP**



**2026**

# Turn your child's summer experience into life-long memories at **YWCA Summer Camp!**

Camp can be one of the most rewarding experiences of a child's life. It's a place to make new friends, learn new skills, explore interests, face challenges, build self-esteem and have fun!

## **Qualified Staff**

The quality of camp staff is what sets YWCA's summer camp programs apart from others. All camp counselors are trained and certified in CPR and First Aid, and meet the Departments of Early Education and Care (EEC) and Public Health requirements.

## **Registration**

All summer camp registrations are accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis. Please read the registration form carefully. A \$30 non-refundable deposit per child per session is required.

### **Click it**

Camp Wind-in-the-Pines:  
<https://ywcacm.org/child-care/summer-camp/>

### **Mail it**

Camp Wind-in-the-Pines:  
YWCA Central Massachusetts, attn: Cindy Landry  
1 Salem Square, Worcester MA 01608

### **Fax it**

Camp Wind-in-the-Pines to 508-754-0496



A confirmation packet with additional camp information and forms will be sent once your child's registration is processed. To receive your confirmation packet via email, please be sure to print your email address on the registration form in the indicated area.

Camp Wind-in-the-Pines is licensed through the Town of Leicester Board of Health and complies with all regulations established by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.





## Camp Wind-in-the-Pines: A day camp packed with fun summer activities.

Located on Stiles Reservoir in Leicester, MA, Camp Wind-in-the-Pines provides a wonderful opportunity for your child to enjoy the great outdoors and explore nature. The camp has an ample amount of sandy beach and lake-front property with a boathouse and dock, several recreation halls, a ball field, Gaga ball pit and nature trails. The bath house is equipped with private restrooms, showers and changing areas for campers.

Campers are divided into specific age groups and are instructed in areas that are developmentally appropriate. Each session is packed with themed activities, games, and projects, as well as traditional camp activities. Every session includes swim lessons, recreational swim, boating (8 years and older, swim level 3), arts and crafts, games, sports and literacy. Campers have access to a Zen Reading Garden, STEM Cabin with outdoor nature classroom, and much more!

### Transportation

Camp Wind-in-the-Pines provides parents with two locations for drop-off and pick-up:

YWCA Central Massachusetts, 1 Salem Square, Worcester  
1 Wind-in-the-Pines Way, Leicester

*See registration form for bus pick-up and drop-off information.*

### Sample Day of Activities

7:30–9:00	Arrival
9:00–9:15	Opening Circle
9:15–9:45	Morning Snack
9:45–10:00	Cabin Meeting
10:00–10:50	Swim Lessons
10:45–11:00	Transition
11:00–11:30	Literacy
11:30–12:00	Lunch
12:00–12:45	Daily Activity
12:45–1:00	Transition
1:00–1:50	Free Swim
1:50–2:00	Transition
2:00–3:00	Choice Period
3:00–3:30	Snack
3:30–4:15	Sports
4:15–4:30	Closing Circle
4:30–5:00	Dismissal

Vouchers accepted

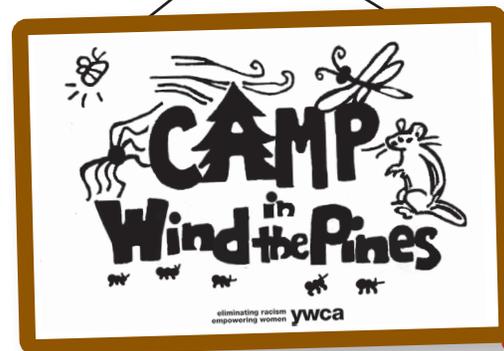
Full-day care, 7:30 AM-5:30 PM

Lunch & snacks provided.

No extended day fees!



# 2026 Camp Wind-in-the-Pines Session Themes



**Nature, Session 1: June 22-26** - Start your summer off by stepping into the great outdoors! Create pinecone weather stations, chlorophyll prints, edible bird nests, and explore tree “cookies.” Join us to see what nature has to offer.

**America’s 250<sup>th</sup> Birthday, Session 2: June 29 – July 3** - It’s America’s 250th birthday! Join us in some patriotic spirit by building an eagle flyer, engineering a straw rocket, creating firework paintings, and making a patriotic graham cracker flag. Happy birthday to America!

**Woodland Animals, Session 3: July 6-10:** - Hoot Hoot, who’s that? It’s the animals living in the woods! Come join us in dissecting an owl pellet, making animal track castings, and making animal puppets and a pinecone owl.

**Multicultural Celebration, Session 4: July 13-17** - A week all for learning differences! This week will teach you about the history of chocolate while celebrating your individuality and creating a “I Am” collage and worry doll inspired by Guatemalan tradition. Let us get to know YOU and your story.

**Summer Carnival, Session 5: July 20-24** - Campers will work collaboratively to design and build carnival games with Friday being a Camp Carnival Day full of fun games and carnival treats. Now let’s get this carnival fun in action!

**Survivor, Session 6: July 27 – July 31** -Do you have what it takes to be on top? Put your skills to the test in daily new challenges of dress up relay, hold your cups, water bucket relay, and get your granny pants on. May the best campers win!

**Global Art, Session 7: August 3-7** - Take a dive into the artistic side of the world. Join us to create a Japanese inspired Koinobori Windssock, Huichol Yarn Art pictures, rain sticks, and a Turkish marble painting. A week full of creativity and global fun!

**STEM Week, Session 8: August 10-14** - Time to put those goggles on and dive into the world of science! During STEM week there will be the opportunity to make a super bouncy ball, build a raft, learn how to make ice cream ~ yummy ~ and participate in the ice pop challenge. Let’s get our minds and hands to work!

**You’ve Got Talent! Session 9: August 17-21** - WOW, that camper’s got talent! If you want to show off your special talents come be part of our camp talent show. Along with your amazing talents you have to show, you will also create your own Hollywood square and walk the red carpet. Let’s see what talents you have!

**Best of Camp, Session 10: August 24-28** - The ultimate camp experience awaits! This week has all of the campers’ favorite activities by getting creative and making text message bracelets, slime, tie dye creations, and a God’s eye. What a fantastic way to wrap up an unforgettable summer!

Register online at [ywcacm.org](http://ywcacm.org)



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For children 6–13 years old

