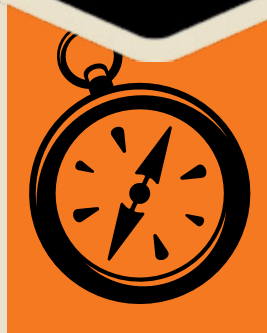


YMCA CAMP COPNECONIC

2023 PROGRAMS GUIDE





THE RIGHT DIRECTION. FOR KIDS. FOR LIFE.

YMCA Camp Copneconic is known as one of the best camping experiences in the Midwest, offering something for everyone. A week at Copneconic builds a guiding compass of values and character that develops kids — well beyond their time at Camp — pointing them in the right direction for life.



QUALITY AND TRANSFORMATIVE EXPERIENCES FOR ALL

Hello Campers and Families!

We are excited to have our campers back for the summer of 2023! Whether this is your first time at YMCA Camp Copneconic or your 10th, we are sure you're going to have a great time with us. Our staff has been working all year on program updates that will help guide our campers to even greater growth. Over the past few years, we've learned just how important camp is, and how we can help our young people to develop in ways that aren't learned elsewhere.

Our Vision Statement reads: At Camp Copneconic we provide a quality and transformative experience for all. Our facility is more than a place. We are a community pillar responsible for fostering empathy, growth, education, and inclusiveness. We strive to build leaders who are resilient, tolerant, and confident as we challenge them to see beyond themselves into a larger community and world.

This statement was developed by our staff, and we stand by every sentence. We put campers' physical, mental, emotional, and social health at the forefront of everything we do. Our staff of amazing young leaders receive extensive training in well-being, activity leadership, emergency response, teaching skills, and more.

Since 1915, families have trusted YMCA Camp Copneconic to build their children into future leaders. We have developed a reputation for providing life-changing experiences through intentional programming, well-trained staff, carefully thought-out schedules, and incredible amenities. We've built long-lasting friendships, developed good character, and helped thousands of kids experience transformative growth at camp. I hope that you'll entrust us with your kid(s) this summer and see what a child can gain from a week of camp.

See you this summer!

Brandon Drefft, Executive Director

YMCA Camp Copneconic





OVERNIGHT CAMPS



ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

- Archery & Fishing
- Arts & Crafts
- Canoeing & Kayaking
- Climbing Tower & Zip Line
- High Ropes Course
- Jet Ski Tubing
- Swimming & Waterfront Fun





OVERNIGHT CAMP

Entering 4th – 11th Grades

Overnight Camps at YMCA Camp Copneconic are where memories are made. Campers will unplug from technology and reconnect with nature, participating in a variety of exciting camp activities during each of our four one-week sessions.

July 9-14, July 16-21, August 6-11, August 13-18

COUNSELOR IN TRAINING (CIT)

Entering 12th Grade

The CIT program provides a unique learning opportunity to campers who are aspiring to become camp counselors or future leaders. The program is a two-week experience that includes a two-day camping trip focused on establishing expectations, teambuilding, and leadership. CITs then return to camp for interactive workshops on camper management, communication skills, and leading activities. During week two, CITs put the training into action as they shadow and assist counselors with an assigned cabin group.

July 9-21

“It was our first time experiencing camp and my son said his counselors were wonderful and ‘really cool.’ Based on what we heard, it sounded like these young men did a nice job of keeping the boys on track and having fun with them too!”

CRAZY ABOUT COPNECONIC

Entering 6th – 11th Grades

Two action-packed weeks of overnight camp are sure to build confidence and independence! Our two-week campers will experience age-appropriate activities with favorites like the Creek Freak zip line, kayaking, swimming, and the high ropes course. A special weekend stay is a highlight as our two-weekers enjoy all of Camp Copneconic special camper’s choice and evening activities.

July 9-21

CIRCLE C RANCH

Entering 4th – 10th Grades

This program is designed for riders of all levels who want to advance their equestrian skills. Campers will be grouped based on skill and assigned their own horse for the week. Experienced staff will instruct campers on the finer points of tack, safety, equine health, grooming, identifying breeds, and respect for the animal. Half the day is spent at the Circle C Ranch and during the other half, campers take advantage of many traditional Copneconic activities.

July 9-14, July 16-21

HORSEMASTERS

Entering 8th – 11th Grades

Horsemasters is a great opportunity for riders with previous experience who want to fully immerse themselves in advancing their horse knowledge. A full day of horse time and special activities offered only during Horsemasters provide for an enriching equestrian experience. *Campers must have previous riding experience.*

August 6-11

MICHIGAN MOSAIC

Entering 9th – 11th Grades

This co-ed trip will experience a mosaic of activities, all Michigan-based! From surfing on Lake Michigan and boating the Platte River, to a Jeep ride exploring the beautiful sand dunes. This scenic trip culminates with an excursion to Michigan’s Adventure to top off an already action-packed week of fun!

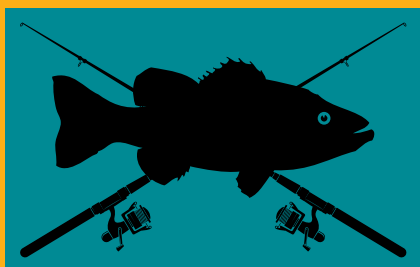
July 30-August 4

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DAY CAMPS



ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

- Arts & Crafts
- Canoeing & Kayaking
- Creek Hikes
- Epic Theme Events
- Gaga
- Low Ropes Course
- Mountain Biking
- Swimming & Waterfront Fun



SNOOPERS

Ages 4 Years – Entering K

Snoopers enjoy a full day of fun and exploration! It is the perfect introduction to summer camp with activities such as canoeing, pony rides, frog hunting, and so much more. Low camper-to-staff ratios and positive role models create a safe and magical outdoor camp experience.

Offered All Sessions

DAY CAMP

Entering 1st – 7th Grades

Campers build friendships, learn valuable life lessons, and make memories through a variety of fun and engaging programs offered daily during each of our 10 one-week sessions beginning June 19. With age-progressive programming, campers can return year after year to experience new and exciting programs designed for each age group.

Offered All Sessions



AQUAMANIA

Entering 1st – 4th Grades

Aquamaniacs love corcling, swimming, and playing on our aquatic playground of water toys! Campers explore beautiful Lake Copneconic while sailing or during a pontoon swim.

**June 19-23, July 3-7,
July 31-August 4, August 14-18**

COPNECONIC SURVIVORS

Entering 4th – 7th Grades

Earning team points along their journey, campers learn survival skills in the rugged Copneconic wilderness. Shelter building, orienteering, fire building, fishing, and outdoor cooking are needed to succeed in this game of survival.

June 19-23, August 14-18

“I thought it was a really wonderful experience for my daughter. She played hard, made new friends, and stayed busy.”

FISH, FROGS, & FORTS

Entering 1st – 4th Grades

Campers will love exploring nature, building secret forts, hunting for frogs, and interacting with reptiles and amphibians. Kids will love learning to fish and attempting to catch the mysterious Big Charlie.

**June 26-30, July 24-28,
August 7-11, August 21-25**

HIGH 5 SPORTS

Entering 4th – 7th Grades

Sport-fanatic campers will play a unique mix of camp games and sports including Ultimate Frisbee and beach volleyball, as well as soccer, basketball, and flag football. And don't forget the famous Gaga tournament!

June 26-30, August 7-11





RODS AND REELS

Entering 4th – 7th Grades

Anglers learn fundamental fishing skills such as baiting, casting, habitat, and setting the hook. Boats fully rigged with trolling motors allow campers to learn advanced skills and try to catch the famous Big Charlie!

July 31-August 4

ADVENTURE CHALLENGE

Entering 5th – 8th Grades

Thrill seekers will love our double decker high ropes course, 55-foot climbing tower, Creek Freak zip line, mountain biking, and giant swing. Campers will also learn teambuilding skills on our challenging low ropes course.

July 3-7, July 31-August 4

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“Our camper’s counselor was amazing. She was a great role model for my daughter and even took a moment to say hello to us.”

WATERSPORTS

Entering 5th – 8th Grades

Watersports day camp offers endless ways for kids to discover all that Lake Copneconic has to offer. Jet ski tubing, paddleboarding, sailing, kayaking, canoeing, and aqua toy obstacles will make a real splash with friends.

July 24-28, August 21-25

EXPEDITION SEEKERS

Entering 7th – 8th Grades

This program appeals to our oldest day campers who enjoy expanding their horizons and experiencing new adventures. Campers will paddle around the lake in Corcls, play sports, hang out in hammocks, and enjoy some of the most exciting activities Day Camp has to offer!

June 19-23, July 10-14, July 17-21, August 7-11

BOOTS AND SADDLES

Entering 4th – 8th Grades

From showmanship to trail ride adventures, riders of all levels will be sure to improve their skills. Friendships will develop between campers as they learn to care for their horses, build confidence in their riding, and make memories that will last a lifetime!

June 19-23, July 3-7, July 24-28, July 31-August 4, August 21-25

HORSE LOVERS

Entering 5th – 8th Grades

Horse Lovers is for campers interested in a progressive week of riding lessons and equestrian skill development, with a focus on expanding horse knowledge and confidence. *Campers are encouraged to have previous riding experience.*

June 26-30, August 14-18



2023 CAMP THEMES



OVERNIGHT CAMP THEMES

Session 1: July 9-14
Knights of the
Round Table

Session 2: July 16-21
Pirates vs. Ninjas

Session 3: August 6-11
Hollywood Week

Session 4: August 13-18
Spy Week

DAY CAMP THEMES

Session A: June 19-23
Out of this World

Session B: June 26-30
Cartoons Come to Life

Session C: July 3-7
Pirates vs. Ninjas

Session D: July 10-14
Superhero

Session E: July 17-21
Safari

Session F: July 24-28
Western

Session G: July 31-August 4
Hollywood

Session H: August 7-11
Knights of the
Round Table

Session I: August 14-18
Spy

Session J: August 21-25
Under the Sea

2023 PRICING INFORMATION

DAY CAMP PROGRAMS	PRICING
Traditional Day Camps	\$275
Boots and Saddles	\$325
Horse Lovers	\$350

OVERNIGHT CAMP PROGRAMS	PRICING
Traditional Overnight Camps	\$700
Circle C Ranch	\$750
Horsemasters	\$775
Counselor in Training (2-Week Program)	\$850
Crazy About Copneconic (2-Week Program)	\$1,250
Michigan Mosaic	\$850

MONTHLY INSTALLMENT PROGRAM

Families have the option to spread their payments from the time of registration up to June. Installments are charged to the credit card on file on the 15th of each month with the final charge on June 15. Register early for lower monthly payments!



Siblings
Receive a
15%
Discount on
Camp Fees

HOW IT WORKS

- 1 Register for camp online, over the phone, or by mailing in a registration form (forms can be obtained by printing from our website or by calling the camp office and we'll drop them in the mail to you).
- 2 Pay the deposit at the time of registration (\$75 for Overnight Camps; \$75 for Day Camps).
- 3 Your remaining balance will then be split into equal monthly payments to be paid on the 15th of each month.
- 4 The final payment will be charged on June 15.

PARENT TESTIMONIALS

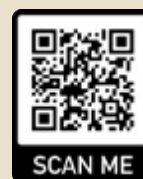
"This was our first year.
The staff did great."

"The camp staff were excellent in helping my son Grant with his homesickness. They really worked with him to make him feel comfortable!"

"They absolutely love their counselors and were talking with a British accent for a few days after."

"My kids were very attached to their counselors and the little one cried when leaving because she would miss them so much. They cannot wait to return next year to see which staff have come back."

"I have watched my son grow immensely in his two summers here. You seem to have lightning in a bottle."



We'd love to hear about your camp experience. Scan to share your camp story.

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KIDS NEED CAMP. CAMP NEEDS YOU.



SCAN ME

Too old to attend camp but still want in on the fun? Consider applying for one of our summer or year-round staff positions. We're looking for day and overnight camp counselors, program instructors, housekeepers, kitchen staff, and more.

SCAN TO LEARN MORE AND APPLY!

PARTNER WITH YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP FUND



Skills learned and relationships fostered are often life-changing steppingstones on the road to adulthood for kids who attend summer camp. But, for some families, the cost of sending their child(ren) to camp is too much of a financial burden. At YMCA Camp Copneconic, we believe every child should have a chance to experience camp, regardless of their ability to pay. That is why we fundraise throughout the year so that we can ensure we can provide a camp experience for deserving youth in our community.

In 2022, the generosity of our community helped us send 215 youth to camp who otherwise may not have been able to attend. On behalf of every child that will visit YMCA Camp Copneconic this year, we thank our Partner with Youth Donors for their support and dedication to keeping camp available for all.

Donations may be made on your camp registration form. If you or someone you know would benefit from a scholarship, application information is available when registering online, or at campcopneconic.org.



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SUMMER CAMP OPEN HOUSES

We invite you to preview our 2023 Summer Camp Programs. Bring your friends and family for a free afternoon of sample programs and activities. Our staff will answer all your questions and give you a tour of our facility.

**MARCH 19, APRIL 30,
AND MAY 21**

Open houses run from 2-5p.m. Please register online to hold your spot at campcopneconic.org or call 810.629.9622.

