

CREATING NEW TRADITIONS AT SUMMER DAY CAMP

When you think about summer day camp you probably have images of children playing tag, kickball and swimming. You may not immediately think of activities like science and reading when you think about summer day camp.

At our Y, our day campers get to do it all! Campers get to enjoy traditional camp activities and field trips but also experience learning in a fun and different environment than they are accustomed.

Each day at camp, our campers participate in "Camp Readers". This is a time for campers to read at their own pace with books based

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on their interests that they pick themselves on our weekly trips to the library or they can enjoy in a group reading session with a counselor.

Camp Readers focuses on reading for fun and builds on campers general reading skills while helping increase their reading confidence while they are out of school!

At the YMCA, we are changing traditional day camp culture to include educational components while remaining true to our summer day camp traditions. We use every opportunity we have to introduce kids to STEM learning, educational opportunities, and intentional character development moments.

Funds raised from the Annual Campaign ensure that all kids have the opportunity to engage with others and learn through summer day camp.

