

Camp Blazing Trails

A.E. Finley YMCA

Frequently Asked Questions

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When does Camp Blazing Trails operate?

Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. (NO CAMP MONDAY JULY 4th)

Where is Camp Blazing Trails located?

Camp Blazing Trails is located at Blue Jay Point County Park, 3200 Pleasant Union Church Rd. Raleigh 27614.

Can I drop my child off early?

For the safety of your child, we cannot allow children to be dropped off prior to Rides In while our staff are setting up for camp, as we cannot ensure proper supervision.

What happens if I'm late to pick up my child?

Parents arriving after 1 p.m. will be issued a late fee of \$5 for parents arriving prior to 6:10 p.m. and \$1 for every minute thereafter.

Where should I go if I need to drop off late or pick my child up early?

If you are arriving between 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., please call the camp number at 919-815-1242. Our staff will come to you to sign your child in or out. Please be aware that it may take extra time as we are out and about in the park. If needed, please call or text our number so we can be prepared for a faster transition.

How do drop-off and pick-up work?

From 8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. we run Rides In, and from 12:30 – 1 p.m. we operate Rides Out. Rides In and Rides Out are a curb-side pickup for your convenience and we will escort your child to/from your car. Please remain in your car, and our staff will help your child.

Rides In and Out are located in the playground parking lot of Blue Jay Point County Park. Follow YMCA signs from parks entrance to playground. During inclement weather or high temperatures, Rides In/Out will take place at the Blue Jay Center (at the main entrance of the park). Parents must present a pick-up card (provided at Parent Orientation or your child's first day of camp) or an ID as a safety precaution. At registration, you can also place additional friends and families on your approved pick-up list to help us ensure the safety of your child.

What does my child need to bring to camp?

- Clothing that is appropriate for active play and close toed shoes suitable for running.
- Backpack with a bathing suit and towel on Thursdays for Water Day. Please come to camp in water clothes with extra change of clothes in backpack..
- Insulated lunch box or cooler with a healthy and hearty lunch, two snacks and a reusable water bottle.

Walking Sticks

Trademark of Camp Blazing Trails! The sticks are a symbol of pride and accomplishment. Bring on your first day of camp! Staff will wood burn BT and year into stick. We will also add string for your camper to add their beads to each day. All sticks need to come from home and not from the park.



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Is there a daily schedule at camp?

Sample Daily Schedule

8:30-9 a.m.	Rides In
9 a.m.	Opening Assembly
9:30 a.m.	Morning snack/Activity 1
10:15 a.m.	Activity 2
11:15 a.m.	Activity 3
12-12:30 p.m.	Lunch/Bead Time/Character Development
12:30 -1 p.m.	Rides Out

Special Weekly Activities:

Monday: Huddle Activities

Tuesday: Park Education Classes & Archery

Wednesday: Hiking | Fishing| Canoeing

Thursday: Water Day & Archery

Friday: Fri-YAY! Theme week Dress Up & Special Guest

Theme Weeks:

June 13-17: Extreme Weather

June 20-24: Creepy Crawly (Insects)

June 27-July 1: All About NC

July 5-8: Great Outdoors (no camp 7/4)

July 11-15: Birds Galore

July 18-22: Reptiles & Amphibians

July 25-29 :Going Green

August 1-5: Mammals of NC

Are there any special events for parents to attend?

Parents are invited to all family nights and other YMCA events throughout the summer. Information about these events will be sent home each week in parent communication or newsletters.

How do you manage medications?

We are able to administer both daily and emergency medications. Please bring all medications in their original containers to us on the first day of camp along with a medication form. Medication forms will be provided or can be found on our website.

How will you communicate with me this summer?

You'll receive a welcome email on the Friday before the beginning of each camp week. This email contains important information about the week including: dress up days, special events and more. Be sure we have your most up-to-date email address. Join our Camp Blazing Trails private Instagram Page for daily updates and photographs of your child.