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# CAMP CROSSROADS

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

**When does camp operate?** Monday–Friday; 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**Where is Camp Crossroads located?** Camp Crossroads is located at the Kraft Family YMCA, 8921 Holly Springs Rd., Apex, NC 27539.

**How does drop off and pick up work?** Drop-off and Pick-up will take place in the loop behind the outdoor pool. From 7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m., we will run Rides In, and a staff member will be there to unload your child from your car. Rides Out is from 4:30 p.m.– 6:00 p.m. and a staff member will bring your child out to your car. Parents must present a pick-up card (provided on your child’s first day of camp) or an ID as a safety precaution. If you are dropping off or picking up between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., please park and walk your child in to the Day Camp Office.

**Can I drop 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?** After camp closes at 6:00 p.m., a late fee applies. The fee is \$5 for the first 10 minutes and \$1 for every minute thereafter.

**What does my child need to bring to camp?**

- Backpack with a bathing suit and towel on swim days. Camp Crossroads swims on M/W/F.
- Insulated lunch box or cooler with a healthy and hearty lunch, two snacks and a reusable water bottle.
- Extra changes of clothes are recommended for children that may have accidents or on days when messy activities are indicated in your weekly newsletter.
- Please label all items you send to camp with your child’s first and last name to assist us in returning all lost and found.
- Toys, personal listening devices, portable game devices, cell phones, trading cards, stuffed animals, pets and money should stay at home. The YMCA is not responsible for lost, stolen or broken items.

**How are children divided into groups?** At Camp Crossroads, we divide into smaller “Huddles” based on age and grade. Each huddle is staffed at a 1:12 ratio, typically with 24 children in a huddle and two counselors.

**What will my child do on a typical day?** We offer a wide range of activities to engage each of our campers within their Huddles. Daily activities include swimming, athletics, arts & crafts, fishing, archery, target sports (2nd grade and up), a multitude of group games, teambuilding activities, assemblies and much more. Thrill-tastic Thursdays happen each week and include opportunities to dress up based on the weekly theme. You will receive a email newsletter on the Friday afternoon before each week of camp detailing all of the special events that are happening that week.

**When does my child swim?** Camp Crossroads swims on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. The full swim schedule is linked in the parent email sent out the Friday before each session. Swim tests are given on each Monday of camp to earn a swim band that allows children to swim in different parts of the pool. This test includes swimming the length of the pool (black band) or half the length of the pool (yellow band) with no goggles, getting the face wet and then treading water for 30 seconds. It is administered by the lifeguard staff. Children without a swim band are required to wear a life jacket or puddle jumper. Per Aquatics Protocol, all campers are required to retest for their band at the beginning of the summer.

**Does Camp Crossroads offer swim lessons?** You may choose to place your child in swim lessons with our Aquatics Department (register online) for an additional fee. Camp Crossroads will transport campers to the morning Youth Swim Lessons (9:15 a.m. & 10:10 a.m.) and then the campers will join back up with their group after the lesson. Camp Crossroads is not able to transport campers to afternoon lessons.

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

**How will you communicate with me this summer?** An email will be emailed to you the Friday before the beginning of each camp week. This newsletter will have important information happening each week including: dress up days, special events and more. Please be sure to have an accurate email on file with us. Consider joining our [Camp Crossroads Facebook Group](#) for daily updates and photographs of your child. We will also communicate in person at Rides In/Out and through phone calls.

**Do CILTs get community service?** Yes, each week CILTs earn service hours. The amount of hours depends on the type of field trip they complete (service vs. fun). A list of earned hours per week is sent out at the end of the summer.

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