



# Camp KV Summer Guide 2026

## SUMMER CAMP ADVENTURE!

June 15 - August 21

Camp KV is a state licensed day camp located on 70 acres of naturally preserved land on Maranacook Lake in Readfield, Maine.

### Activities:

- Outdoor Adventures
- Creative Activities
- Water Adventures
- Sports & Games
- Special Events
- Nature Exploration

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## Mission Statement

Since 1914, we have been a fabric of our community, with a commitment to nurturing the potential of kids, promoting healthy living and fostering a sense of social responsibility.

The Kennebec Valley YMCA is a character building organization dedicated to strengthening the principles of Caring, Honesty, Respect, and Responsibility through programs that build a healthy spirit, mind, and body for all regardless of ability to pay.



"My 3 girls look forward to attending Camp KV every summer and enjoy all of the activities, songs, and people. I feel like through their participation in all of the activities that are offered their self-esteem and confidence has grown immensely."

-Camp Parent



# What's New: Registration

## Updates to our online registration:

- Campers will be registered by age rather than the school grade they will be going into.
- More payment plan options.
- Payment plan must be established at time of registration.
- Free Shirts to those who register on or before April 30, 2026

## Registration:

\*Camp KV registration can be found here:

[campkv.campbrainregistration.com](http://campkv.campbrainregistration.com)

Or scan the QR code on your tablet or smart phone:



## KV YMCA Members:

Receive \$30 off each session!

Please email Jennifer Fortin ([jennifer@kvymca.org](mailto:jennifer@kvymca.org)) to receive the discount code.

## **What's New: A Message from the Director**

**Welcome to Camp KV! I am excited to begin my second summer as Camp Director and to share another unforgettable season with our campers and families.**

**My name is Mikhal (Mike) Lowe, and I am honored to serve as the Camp KV Director. My Camp KV journey began in 2019 as a Wrangler Counselor and later continued as the Pathfinders Unit Leader. Through these roles, I have had the privilege of building meaningful relationships with campers and staff while gaining valuable experience in youth development and leadership.**

**Camp KV has always been a special place to me, and I am excited to help create another unforgettable summer for our camp community. My goal is to ensure that every camper feels safe, supported, and welcomed while enjoying opportunities to explore, learn, grow, and make lasting friendships.**

**I look forward to partnering with our families and staff to provide a summer filled with adventure, laughter, and memories that will last a lifetime.**

**Welcome to Camp KV, we can't wait to see you at camp!**

**Warmly,  
Mikhal Lowe  
Camp KV Director**



# Camp KV Dates & Rates

**\*\*There is a \$50 non-refundable deposit for each week you register for.**

**\*\*To register you must pay the deposit and choose: pay in full at time of registration, pay in full before camp starts, or pay weekly.**

## Day Camp

- Who: Ages 5-14
- When: June 15th-August 21st (weekly registration)
- Cost: \$230/week Members  
\$260/week Non-members

## Lifeguard In Training/Leader In Training (LG/LIT)

- Who: Ages 12-14
- When: July 6th-July 17th (2 week program)
- Cost: \$490 Members  
\$550 Non-members

## Counselor In Training (CIT)

- Who: Ages 13-14
- When: July 20th-August 14th (4 week program)
- Cost: \$680 Members  
\$780 Non-members

## Important Dates



\*February 2<sup>nd</sup>: Registration opens

\*June 5<sup>th</sup>: Camp Open House

\*June 29<sup>th</sup> - July 2<sup>nd</sup>: 4-day holiday week

## Assistance & Scholarships

The KV YMCA is proud to offer need based scholarships to help send qualifying children to camp.

Scholarship applications are available at the Welcome Desk or at [www.kvymca.org](http://www.kvymca.org).

Questions: email [jennifer@kvymca.org](mailto:jennifer@kvymca.org)



# Themes

At Camp KV campers get the chance to explore, try new things, and embrace challenges. Camp KV gives campers opportunities to step away from routines and screens to dive into hands-on exploration, outdoor fun, friendships, and discovery.

## Themes for Summer Adventure

6/15-6/19: Wk 1 - Adventure Week

6/22-6/26: Wk 2 - Challenge Week 1

6/29-7/02: Wk 3 - Adventures in Nature (4 day week)

7/6-7/10: Wk 4 - Olympics

7/13-7/17: Wk 5 - Water Adventures

7/20-7/24: Wk 6 - Color Wars

7/27-7/31: Wk 7 - Challenge Week 2

8/03-8/07: Wk 8 - Space Adventure

8/10-8/14: Wk 9 - Adventure with the Arts

8/17-8/21: Wk 10 - Grand Adventure



### Family Campfire Night

When: August 14th

Time: 5:00 pm-7:00 pm

Who: All are welcome

(all camp weeks are invited to attend)

## Lifeguard In Training/Leader In Training

The LG in training and LIT is a 2 week program that combines two exciting opportunities in one dynamic experience. Campers develop basic lifeguard skills while building the foundational leadership qualities needed to succeed, whether they aspire to become a junior lifeguard, a future camp counselor, or leaders in their schools and communities. This program helps campers grow in confidence, caring, honesty, responsibility, respect, and teamwork all while having fun and gaining valuable real world skills.

### Testimonial from 2025: Meet Evangeline

"Joining the Lifeguard In Training program was a great experience! I learned CPR, how to treat basic injuries, how to scan the water for swimmer safety, and perform shallow water rescues. I enjoyed learning alongside other kids my age and discovering what it's like to be a lifeguard. We also played fun water games and helped create a water obstacle course. I'm grateful for the skills I gained and would definitely recommend this program."



## Counselor In Training

Counselor In Training is a 4 week long program that is designed to introduce participants to leadership in a supportive camp environment. CITs work closely with camp leaders to gain hands on experience with relationship building, facilitating activities, and leadership skills. This is balanced with time to reflect and discuss as well as group challenges to develop problem solving skills. This intentional balance helps the CITs build confidence, maturity, and a strong foundation for future leadership roles at camp and in the community.

### Testimonial from 2025: Meet Lyra

"The CIT program was a fantastic experience. The program was accepting and inclusive of everyone regardless of background or skill level. It was also a great opportunity to learn important skills like CPR and how to handle a variety of situations when working with children. It was an unforgettable experience that helped me grow as a person and move towards my goal of becoming a camp counselor."



# Camp KV Expectations, Info, & Policies

## Transportation, Arrival, & Departure

### Arrival & Departure from Camp KV in Readfield:

\*Camper drop off begins at 7:45am

\*Camper pick up begins at 4:00 pm

\*Please check in with our staff at both drop off and pick up to check in/check out your camper. Please have your ID ready at pick up.

### Arrival & Departure from YMCA in Augusta (Bus)

\*Bus leaves at 7:40 am - camper drop off is 7:20 am

\*Bus returns at 4:30 pm - camper pick up is as soon as campers are safely off the bus and staff & checked out. \*Arrival at 4:20 pm is recommended

\*Times may vary depending on traffic

\*Your child is in your care until you have checked in with a staff member with a tablet. Please check in at both drop off and pick up to check in/check out your camper. Please have your ID ready at pick up.

**Late Fee:** While we understand that emergencies occur, please pick up on-time. In the event of an emergency, we request that you call the YMCA to notify staff. After the bus arrives a late fee of \$5.00 will be charged and \$1.00 per minute thereafter. After three late pick-ups, the fee will increase to \$2.00 per minute and you may endanger your child's slot in the program. Late pick-up fees will be tallied and applied to your account at the end of each week according to sign-out records.

### Late Arrival/Early Pick up/Absence

For late arrival, early pick up, or absences please notify the office via phone or email.

Phone: 207-685-4644

Email: [jwinter@kvymca.org](mailto:jwinter@kvymca.org)

### Bus Expectations

\*Pre-registration and payment must be completed before your child is allowed on the bus.

\*Safety rules must be followed on the bus. Any camper not able to demonstrate safety will be subject to seat assignments or expulsion from the bus, temporarily or permanently.

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## Packing Check List

1. Backpack
2. Sneakers or closed toe sandals with a hard sole. Crocs/flip-flops are only for the waterfront.
3. Healthy snacks for morning/afternoon and a cold lunch with ice packs.
4. Refillable water bottle
5. Towel, bathing suit, water shoes (Crocs are waterfront ONLY)
6. A bag for wet clothing
7. Rain jacket, sweatshirt, sweatpants (we stay outside in any weather as long as it's safe)
8. Bug spray
9. Sunscreen (applied at home in the morning) Counselors will have campers re-apply throughout the day.
10. Hat
11. Sunglasses

\*Please LABEL all of your camper's belongings.

\*NO TOYS! This includes everything from trading cards to electronics. If we see it we will hold it for the day and return it at pick up.

\*The KV YMCA is not responsible for lost or stolen items\*

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## Healthy Campers

\*Please notify us if your child contracts a contagious illness, as licensing guidelines require reporting. All reports remain anonymous.

\*If your child develops a fever (100.4\*), rash, diarrhea, infection, lice, or any contagious condition while at camp we will contact you and ask that your child be picked up within 1 hour. If symptoms develop at home, please keep your child at home.

\*While we do our best to prevent injuries, accidents can occur. Mild injuries will be treated at camp, moderate injuries will be treated and communicated with families, severe injuries beyond our scope of care will be handled by calling 911 with parent/guardians being notified immediately.

## Medication

\*Medications must be brought in their original containers allowing for proper identification and dosage, as required by state licensing.

\*Give medications to a staff member. They will bring it to the Director's Cabin for proper storage while at camp.

\*Any self-administered medications **MUST** be documented by a Self-Administer Form completed and turned into Camp KV Staff prior to the first day of camp.

## Camp KV Expectations, Info, & Policies

### Drop off & Pick up Expectations:

\*At drop off: your child is in your care until you have checked them in with a staff member with a tablet.

\*At pick up: once you have shown your ID to a staff member and they have checked your child out, then you may depart to your vehicle.

### Bus Expectations

\*Pre-registration and payment must be completed before your child will be allowed on the bus.

\*All campers who take the bus must follow all bus safety rules. Any camper not able to demonstrate safety on the bus will be subject to seat assignments or expulsion from the bus, temporarily or permanently.



# Camp KV Expectations, Info, & Policies

## Bullying:

\*At Camp KV we have a zero tolerance policy for bullying of any kind. Each camper is expected to treat all other campers and staff with respect. Our camp director addresses all reports of bullying and trains staff to create a safe welcoming environment for all.

## Camper Conduct & Discipline

\*Camp staff actively promote and work to reinforce positive behaviors. Campers who continuously display disruptive, inappropriate behavior, or require excessive disciplinary support, will meet with the Camp Director. Parents will be notified of concerns.

\*We reserve the right to, at any time, dismiss your child from the program due to environmental, physical, emotional, or other harm to themselves, other children or staff. Refunds will not be given for suspension or dismissal.

\*If an incident arises that compromises a camper's safety, the safety of others, or conflicts with the YMCA's mission, camp staff will address the issue with the camper, document the incident, and the Director will choose to take one of the following steps based on the severity of the situation:

1. Camper may be removed from the activity to talk with the Director in order to reflect on unsafe behavior, discuss strategies for positive change, and, when appropriate, return to the activity or group.
2. Parent/guardian will be called to pick up their camper and they will miss the remainder of the camp day.
3. Parent/guardian will be called to pick up their camper and they will miss the remainder of the camp day as well as the next day they are registered for camp.
4. Parent/guardian will be called to pick up their camper, they will miss the remainder of the camp day and further suspension will be determined (2 days, the remainder of the week, or for the remainder of the summer).

## Payment and Options

1. Pay the full amount now with a credit card/e-check. This will cover all of your expenses (deposits + balance) for the year and will leave you with \$0 balance for 2026.
2. Pay deposit at time of registration, pay remaining balance over 4 installments before camp begins with a credit card on 3/1, 4/1, 5/1 and 6/1. This option is great for campers NOT attending all summer. Pay the non-refundable \$50 per week/per camper deposit amount at registration. We will use the payment method on file (credit card, bank account) to schedule your remaining balance.
3. Pay deposit at time of registration, pay session fee one week prior to camp week you are registered for: Pay your non-refundable deposit of \$50 per week/per camper upon registering. We will use the payment method on file (credit card/bank account) to schedule your weekly payments. Use the drop down list to choose weeks.
4. Pay deposit at time of registration, pay monthly March–August on the 15th of the month (3/15, 4/15, 5/15, 6/15, 7/15, 8/15). Great option for families that are at Camp KV all summer. Pay your non-refundable deposit of \$50 per week/per camper today. We will use the the payment on file (credit card/bank account) to schedule your monthly payments.
5. I will be applying for an Open Door Scholarship. By choosing this option your are committing to completing an Open Doors Scholarship application available online or at the Welcome Center, March 1, 2026. At registration you will be responsible for a non-refundable deposit of \$50 per camper/per week. Once your scholarship is approved, you will receive a letter with the amount of sessions your child can attend at a reduced rate.
6. DHHS will be covering some/all of my balance. There is no deposit if DHHS will be paying for some/all of your total cost this summer. We must receive corresponding DHHS paperwork in order to complete your registration.

If you'd like to utilize another method of payment or discuss the different options, please email [Jennifer@kvymca.org](mailto:Jennifer@kvymca.org) or call 207-622-9622.