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Camp Kamp Summer 2006



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Summer Camp Kern

Session Dates

Session 1, June 18-24 Session 2, June 25-July1 Session 3, July 2-8 Session 4, July 9-15 Session 5, July 16-22 Session 6, July 23-29 Session 7, July 30-August 5 Session 8, August 6-12

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General Information

Our Staff

Our college age leaders are kids at heart who have been carefully selected and trained for the important role they play in your child's life. YMCA Camp Kern also prides itself on recruiting outstanding international staff from countries like Australia, England, New Zealand, Scotland, South Africa, and Ireland. Each staff member goes through mandatory staff training.

Staff Training includes:

- Camper Health and Well-Being
- Child Abuse Prevention and Recognition
- Child Development
- CPR and First Aid Certification
- Program Planning
- YMCA Mission and Core Values

A 1:7 counselor to camper ratio ensures that your camper will receive the best care and attention.



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About YMCA Camp Kern and Our Facilities

As we enter our 96th consecutive summer of camping programs, YMCA Camp Kern is proud to be accredited by the American Camp Association. Developed exclusively for camps, this nationally recognized association focuses on program quality, and health and safety issues. ACA requires us to review every facet of our operation. Camp Kern has voluntarily submitted to this independent appraisal done by camp experts and has earned its mark of distinction.

Located on 420 beautiful acres in the Little Miami River Valley of Southwestern Ohio, YMCA Camp Kern is owned and operated by the YMCA of Greater Dayton. In 2006, guests of Camp Kern will enjoy the new additions of the renovated Sugar Woods Cabin #1, Renovated Pool House, Multi-purpose Court, Ranch Observation Tower, and a new High Adveture Element. Guests will also enjoy our air conditioned cabins, dinning halls, and well maintained program facilities including an Olympic size pool, Double X Tango Tower, Circle K Ranch, high ropes course, a climbing and repelling tower, a giant swing, Elk Lake, Optimist Pond, a nature center, Rotary Chapel, and Peter's Tower.

About Our Fees

Fees include one week of camp, cabin photo, 3 daily meals, a drink and snack each day from the canteen and all program supplies. Financial assistance is available. Please call: **1-800-255-5378**

Transportation

Most campers are dropped off by car. Those campers flying in should make arrangements to arrive at Cincinnati International Airport or Dayton International Airport. Please call and make arrangements for Camp Staff to pick up your camper.

Our 420-acre residential camp is located 30 miles south of Dayton and 30 miles north of Cincinnati, just outside historic Lebanon, Ohio.

Main Camp ages 7-14



Main Camp

Ages 7-14 Cost \$460 Sessions 1-8

Main Camp is divided into four villages by age. Please choose the village most suited for your camper to ensure the best cabin placement.

Frontier Village (7-9) Explorer Village (9-11) Adventure Village (11-13) Adventure Plus (13-14)

The Main Camp program at YMCA Camp Kern is a world where imagination comes alive! Campers spend a magical week participating in their choice of daily activities, while making friends and creating lasting memories on Camp Kern's beautiful 420 acres. Activities included canoeing, digital photography, archery, tango tower, BBs, drama, nature, radio, arts and crafts, sports, swimming, disc golf, rock climbing, and many more. Our progressive programs allow for new skill orientation each year a camper returns to camp, with specialized activities for each age group. Camp Kern's unique and exciting evening activities are bursting with energy. Games such as Under Siege, Lord of the Rings, Alien Hunt, Pirates, and Harry Potter Day make fantasy a reality, while building camper teamwork and leadership skills. No week at Camp Kern is complete without

> the traditional campfires, songs, night hikes, and camp outs.

Frontier Village

Ages 7-9 Sessions 1-8

There is never a dull moment in Frontier Village. Each day is jam packed with exciting games and activities specially designed for Frontier Village. Counselors are trained to ensure a positive experience for younger campers.

Explorer Village

Ages 9-11 Session 1-8

Explorer Village Campers will enjoy a thrilling week of fun and adventure. Each week includes the traditional charm of Main Camp with specialized programs only for Explorer Village.

Unique Activities:

Trail Ride Option Capture the Koo Stick Explorer Cookout Missing Mascot Tango Tower Climbing Wall And Much More!

Adventure Village

Ages 11-13 Session 1-8

During their Adventure Village experience, campers spend their days trying new activites and participating in some of Camp Kern's most exciting events. No two days are ever the same in this fun program.

Unique Activities:

Trail Ride Option Vertical Maze Double Zip Line Centipede and Vertebra Crazy X Adventure Overnights Raptor Tag And Much More!



Ages 13-14 Sessions 1 & 8

Adventure Plus is designed for the teen who still wants the main camp experience, but is ready for new challenges. We combine all of the fun and excitement of Adventure Village, with bonus features reserved only for Adventure Plus.

Unique Activities:

Trail Ride Option Mineshaft Cabin Campouts River Trips Indiana Jones

^{New!} Two Week main Camp

Ages 7-13 Cost \$ 885 Session 2-3

This program was created for campers who can't get enough of Main Camp! This special two-week session is packed with all the fun and excitement of traditional main camp with unique activities only for two week campers. Join us for a magical two weeks you'll never forget!

Weekend Stay Over Cost FREE

Sign up for two consecutive weeks of camp and we will include a trip to King's Island! Laundry Service will be arranged for your camper. This option is available for all campers excluding Frontier Village.

Build their confidence!

Taste of Kern

Ages 7-10 Cost \$235 Sessions 2-8

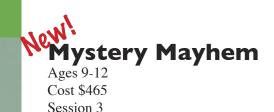
Find out everything YMCA Camp Kern has to offer in this program specially designed for first time campers. Spend three days enjoying the amazing activities of camp including canoeing, arts and crafts, rock climbing, nature pack your bags and head back to camp for two nights of intense fun! Spend Thursday night under the stars experiencing a traditional camp out complete with s'mores. Friday night is just as fun with a TOK slumber party unlike any celebration you've been to before! Taste of Kern follows a modified schedule. Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday are spent at Camp and campers return home each evening. Campers are dropped off Thursday morning and spend two nights at camp. Checkout is on Saturday morning.

First Camp

Age 5-7 Cost \$235 Sessions 2 & 6

This is the perfect opportunity for first time campers to get acquainted with the magic of camp life under the careful and constant supervision of specially chosen counselors. Campers will spend Monday and Tuesday participating in day camp programming. Activities will center, sports, swimming, and adventure games. On Wednesday, campers will pack their bags and move into a YMCA Camp Kern cabin for two nights of residential camping. Campers will have the opportunity to experience canoeing, nature hikes, Camp Kern's indoor climbing wall, campfires, and group

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In addition to enjoying all of camp's great activities, each day will present a different mystery! Riddles, scavenger hunts, CSI, and more, it's all a part of Mystery Mayhem! We'll end the week with our very own mystery dinner theater...will you be the one to figure out who did it?



Main Camp Specialized Programs TaeKwonDo Camp Add-on

Art Camp Add-on

Ages 10-13 Cost \$40 Session 7

This week is made for those campers who have a love for art and want to learn more about it, while still experiencing the fun of summer camp. Campers will learn new skills in media like painting, drawing, sculpture, photography, and more. Art campers will learn from visiting artists, as well as our college art students. Outside the studio, campers will enjoy camp activities such as climbing, hiking, big games, swimming, and much more! Most supplies will be supplied by Camp Kern; some supplies will need to be brought from home.

Sailing Add-on

Explorer and Adventure Village Only Ages 10-13 Cost \$40 Sessions 2-6

Spend four mornings learning to sail. We will cover the fundamentals of sailing, water safety, and basic seamanship. No sailing experience necessary. Most instruction will take place at nearby Cowan Lake State Park aboard our new fleet of quality sailboats.

Science Camp Add-on

Ages 10-13 Cost \$40 Session 1

Spend each morning testing the very laws of nature and then enjoy the rest of the day doing our regular main camp activities. Build, experiment, and e-mail your findings home. We'll cram as much fun and science into each morning as we can. Experiment with rockets, catapults, human pendulums, dissections, and whatever else we can get a hold of. Ages 9-14 Cost \$40 Session 8

Ever want to try martial arts? Or, are you already in training? Master Park, a National TaeKwonDo Champion, will lead daily classes in punching, kicking, self-defense and board breaking. Certified TaeKwonDo instructors will assist campers in improving, flexibility, strength and endurance through fun exercises and drills. Campers will also get to be a part of traditional activities such as swimming, hiking, climbing, canoeing and campfires. Uniforms are included in the cost.



Spend four mornings learning about the world of broadcasting. Check out the behind the scenes action of Camp Kern's very own 1600 WKRN radio station, and create your very own radio show!

Give them an adventure!

Ranch Camp ages 10-16

Ranch Camp

Ages 10-16 Cost \$505 Sessions 1-7 (1, 6, 7 Girls Only)

Ranch Camp is an awesome program for those campers who love horses! Riders of all levels will learn skills on and off horseback through horseback riding lessons, trail rides, grooming, tacking, horse talk, and more! Ranch campers will also experience the fun of traditional camp activities such as swimming, canoeing, climbing, hiking, arts & crafts, campfires, big games and more. All riding levels are welcome and both English and Western are taught. Join us at Circle K Ranch where we'll find the cowboy or cowgirl in you!

CAMP KERN CIRCLE & RANCH

Ranch Camp Sessions

1,2,4,5,6,7

Girls Only Session 1, June 18-35 Session 6, July 23-29 Session 7, July 30-August 5

Boys and Girls Session 2, June 25-July 1 Session 4, July 9-15 Session 5, July 16-22

Trail Adventures

Ages 13-16 Cost \$475 Session 8

This rustic ranch week will be spent in our covered wagons, in tents, and under the stars! Trail Adventures is designed for intermediate riders to experience a week of trail riding throughout Camp Kern's 420 acres and an off-site campground. Cooking over an open fire, pitching tents, and keeping horses on a picket line are all skills that campers will learn over the course of the week. Join us for this thrilling week!

New Advanced Ranch Camp

Ages 12-16 Cost: \$ 525 Ssession 3

This challenging ranch week is for the more experienced rider. Advanced ranch campers will have advanced lessons in walk, trot, canter, and jumping. Campers will also have more in-depth lessons on barn management, horse health, jump course design and more. Advanced ranch campers will experience the same great camp activities such as swimming, climbing, arts & crafts, hiking and big games. Advance ranch campers must be Intermediate to Advanced riders and be accepted by Circle K staff.



Ages 10-16 Cost \$275 Session 3

Experience a compact, but exciting ranch week with our Ranch Adventures program. Spend 3 nights and 4 days horseback riding all over Camp Kern's trails, while still enjoying traditional camp activities like climbing, hiking, archery, and swimming. Ranch Adventures campers will be staying in covered Conestoga wagons, cooking over the fire, and enjoying campfires underneath the stars! You won't want to miss this adventure!

2 Week Ranch Camp

Ages 10-16 Cost \$950 Sessions 2-3

Attention extreme horse lovers! This two week ranch camp is designed for those campers that just can't get enough ranch camp! Like traditional ranch camp, campers will spend everyday with the horses. Lessons, trail rides and horsemanship are just the start at what makes this camp so special. Campers will also experience things like camping out with their horse, intermediate trail rides, more intense ring lessons, and more! Beyond the horse time, campers will enjoy swimming, climbing, canoeing, hiking and all the other activities that Camp has to offer!

Trail Ride Option

Explorer and Adventure Only Ages 9-13 Cost \$12

Get a taste of Camp Kern's Circle K Ranch! Campers can sign up for a 1 hour trail ride and see Camp Kern's Beautiful Trails on Horseback.

Adventure ages 11-16 Programs

Kern Quest

Ages 13-16 Cost \$460 Sessions 1, 4, 5, 6

The Kern Quest program is designed for teens who love adventure. Kern Quest combines the traditions of Camp Kern with all the high adventure elements teens love. The week will include Climbing, Rappelling, Vertical Maze, Double Zip, Tango Tower, High Ropes, an overnight canoe trip, and a ride on the thrilling Mineshaft.

Girls Week Out

Ages 10-12 (Girls Only) Cost \$465 Session 7

Spend a week hanging out with just the girls! Participate in traditional camp activities like the climbing wall, canoeing, and arts and crafts as well as focus on specific topics such as selfdefense, friendship, self-esteem, and team building. We'll finish the week off with a trip to Yellow Springs for a picnic and hike!

Eco Challenge

Ages 13-16 Cost \$470 Sessions 2, 7

A challenge camp designed for teens who want to test their outdoor skills while having a blast at camp During the day, challengers will train and compete in specific skill areas such as canoeing, rock climbing, orienteering, wilderness survival, and many others. The week will come to an exciting close as challengers test the skills learned throughout the week in Camp Kern's eco challenge race!

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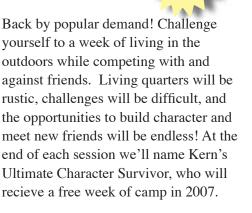
Extreme Survivor

Ages 11-14 Cost \$650 Session July 5- 15

If you thought Ultimate Survivor was fun, then test yourself with our new ten day Extreme Survivor! Bigger challenges, more time to bond with friends, and all the things you love about Ultimate Survivor. Living quarters are still rustic, challenges still difficult, but now you'll have even more opportunities to build character and meet new friends!

Ultimate Survivor

Ages 11-14 Cost \$465 Session 2, 6



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Sailing Camp

Ages 13-16 Cost \$470 Session 7

Learn to sail! Master the wind and water aboard our fleet of quality sail boats. We will cover the basics of sailing and water safety, traditional seamanship, racing, navigation, and more. No sailing experience necessary. Campers will stay at Camp Kern, but most interaction will take place at nearby Cowan Lake State Park. We will also do other camp activities such as swimming, canoeing, group games, etc.

Rock and Raft

Ages 13-16 Cost \$490 Sessions 4, 6

This program takes teen campers to the next level of adventure with a trip to West Virginia's New River for a white water rafting and rock climbing adventure. Campers will experience the Lower New River in duckies (inflatable two person rafts), and then they will run the wild water of the Upper New River in a guided raft. After you dry out it's time for some climbing and rappelling on the rock faces seen from the river.



Ages 13-16 Cost \$605 Session 7

Calling all Adventure Seekers! Spend a week in West Virginia as we splash into the New River with white water rafting. We'll also go on an overnight horseback riding adventure through the New River Gorge. We'll make camp along the river and have an evening around the campfire. This will be an adventure you won't want to miss!

Rocky Mountain Expedition Ages 13-16

Ages 13-16 Call for details

Join YMCA Camp Kern for a week of adventure in the Rocky Mountains. Campers and Camp Kern Out trip Staff will fly to Colorado where we will meet our friends from YMCA Camp Chief Ouray. Spend the week hiking, biking, and climbing in the beautiful Rocky Mountains.

Teen Leadership Programs ages11-16

Counselor in Training (CIT)

Age 16 Call for application

This two week volunteer program enhances teen's leadership skills through cabin responsibilities, service projects and program experiences. These focus areas will introduce CIT's to YMCA Camp Kern's "Kids First" philosophy, while continuing to develop their individuality and maturity. The program provides opportunities for those interested in becoming a future Camp Kern Counselor. Camp Kern's LIT program or another related leadership program is recommended. Contact Camp Kern for further information or an application.

Men Girls Leadership Adventure Week

Ages 11-14 Cost \$465 Session 1

Girls Only! Come and experience a great adventure! We'll live in rustic cabins; enjoy camp's adventurous activities like lowropes, climbing, hiking, zip lining, tower climbing and more! We'll focus on building leadership skills, challenging fears, building self-esteem, and making friends. We'll finish the week with an overnight camping trip to a local state park! Leaders in Training (LIT)

Ages 14-15 Cost \$470 Sessions 2, 5

Make their future strong!

The LIT program fosters and develops group dynamics, problem solving, and the camping skills we look for in future staff members. Campers participate in the main camp activities and programs, while focusing on their leadership skills and program development. This training is a stepping stone for older campers who are interested in transitioning into future camp leaders, but still enjoy the magic of being a camper.

Wrangler in Training (WIT)

Age 16 Call for application

Similar to the CIT program, the WIT program is an opportunity for teens to pursue leadership roles at Camp Kern's Circle K Ranch. WIT's volunteer for two weeks, working and playing with campers and horses alike. The WIT program is an opportunity to experience a sample of the responsibilities of a counselor at ranch camp. Contact Camp Kern for further information or an application.

Registration side I Camper Information

A Non-refundable Deposit of \$100 **per session** is required with this form. The balance is due **4 weeks before campers session begins.**

Camper	's Name		
Male	Female	Age at camp	Birth date (MM/DD/YY)
Address	 }		
City, Sta	ate, Zip		
Cabin N	Iate Preference	(List only one camp	er's name of the same age and village)
Parent/C	Guardian's Narr	ne	
Home P	hone		Business Phone
Signatu	re		E-Mail Address

Cost & Payment Information

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Program Total from list on back	\$		
Trail Ride Option (\$12 per camper/session)	\$		
YMCA Member Discount (\$15 per camper/session)	\$		
Balance Due	\$		
□ I am paying the entire balance now. (\$100/session is Non-refundable)			
□ I am paying only the Non-refundable Deposit now. Bill me for the balance.			

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Account Number_

Is anyone in your family a Kern alumnus? (name & year _____)

This will be my _____ year at camp.



Sign your camper up today!

Please be sure to fill out pages 12 and 13 and mail at least 4 weeks prior to camper's first session. **One registration page per camper please.**

For more information or questions please visit our website at





Registration side 2

Mail form and payment to:

YMCA Camp Kern, 5291 State Rt. 350, Oregonia, OH 45054 1-800-255-5376 • Fax 513-932-8607

Camper's Name

First Year Campers:

- I heard about camp from:
- □ Friends □ Relatives □ YMCA Branch School Trip □ Advertising

• Other

Sessions and Programs (check all sessions and programs you wish to attend)

Main Camp Cost: \$460 Frontier Village: Ages 7-9 Explorer Village: Ages 9-11 Adventure Village: Ages 11-13 □ Session 1, June 18-24 □ Session 2, June 25-Julv1 □ Session 3, July 2-8 □ Session 4, July 9-15 □ Session 5, July 16-22 □ Session 6, July 23-29 Session 7, July 30-August 5 □ Session 8, August 6-12

Please sign me up...

for a FREE Stay Over Weekend between sessions_ and

Adventure Plus Cost: \$460

Ages 13-14 □ Session 1, June 18-24 Session 8, August 6-12

Ment Two Week Main Camp Cost: \$885

Ages 7-14 Session 2-3, June 25-Juky 8

Taste of Kern Cost: \$235

Ages 7-10 Session 2, June 26- July 1 □ Session 3, July 3-8 Session 4, July 10-15 Session 5, July 17-22 Session 6, July 24-29 □ Session 7. July 31-August 5 □ Session 8, August 7-12

First Camp Cost: \$235

Ages 5-7 □ Session 2, June 26-30 Session 6, July 24-28

Mystery Mayhem Cost: \$465 Ages 9-12

□ Session 3, July 2-8

Art Camp Add On Cost: \$40 Ages 10-13 Session 7, July 30-August 5

Ment TaeKwonDo Add On Cost: \$40 Ages 9-14 □ Session 8, August 6-12

Science Camp Add On Cost: \$40 Ages 10-13 □ Session 1, June 18-24

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Broadcasting Add OnCost: \$40

Ages 10-13 Session 7, July 30-August 5

Sailing Add On Cost: \$40

Ages 10-13 Session 2, June 25 -July 1 □ Session 3, July 2-8 □ Session 4, July 9-15 □ Session 5, July 16-22 Session 6, July 23-29

Circle K Ranch

Ranch Camp Cost: \$505

Ages 10-16 Girls only: Sessions1, 6, 7 Boys & Girls: Sessions 2, 4, 5 Session 1, June 18-24 □ Session 2, June 25-July1 □ Session 4, July 9-15 □ Session 5, July 16-22 Session 6, July 23-29 Session 7, July 30-August 5

Trail Adventures Cost: \$475 Ages 13-16 Session 8, August 6-12

Advanced Ranch Camp Cost: \$525 Ages 12-16 □ Session 3, July 2-8

Ranch Adventures Cost: \$275 Ages 10-16 □ Session 3, July 2-8

2 Week Ranch Camp Cost: \$950 Boys & Girls: Ages 10-16 □ Sessions 2-3, June 25-July 8

Kern Quest Cost: \$460

Ages 13-16 □ Session 1, June 18-24 □ Session 4, July 9-15 □ Session 5, July 16-22 Session 6, July 23-29

Extreme Survivor Cost: \$650 Ages 11-14 □ Session July 5-15



Family Camp □ Memorial Day Weekend Labor Day Weekend

Fall Colors Camp Cost: \$130 Ages 7-14 Cotober 27-29

Winter Adventure Camp Cost: \$150 Ages 7-14 December 27-30

WWW Ultimate Survivor Cost: \$465 Ages 11-14 □ Session 2, June 25-July 1 Session 6, July 23-29

Girls Week Out Cost: \$465 Ages 10-12 □ Session 7, July 30-August 5

Eco Challenge Cost: \$470 Ages 13-16 □ Session 2, June 25-July1 □ Session 7, July 30-August 5

Sailing Camp Cost: \$470 Ages 13-16 □ Session 7, July 30-August 5

Rock and Raft Cost: \$490 Ages 13-16 Session 4, July9-15 Session 6, July 23-29

Saddle Paddle Out Trip Cost: \$605 Ages 13-16 Session 7, July 30-August 5

Rocky Mountain Expedition Call for information

Counselor In Training Age 16. Call for an application.

WGirls Leadership Adventure

Week Cost: \$465 Ages 11-14 □ Session 1, June 18-24

Leaders In Training Cost: \$470 Ages 14-15 □ Session 2, June 25-July1 □ Session 5, July16-22

Wrangler In Training Age 16. Call for an application.

Program Name:	
Session:	
Program Fee: \$	

Add-On Programs	
Add-On Fee: \$	

Total Fees: \$

Year Round Programs

Family Camp

Share the fun and excitement of summer camp with the whole family! Family Camp is offered over the Memorial Day and Labor Day weekends. Contact Camp Kern for additional information and rates.

Fall Colors Camp

Ages 7-14 Cost \$130 October 27-29

Come out to Camp Kern for a weekend of fun and adventure in the beautiful fall colors! Participate in arts and crafts, hayrides, night hikes, and all the fun of summer camp jam packed in one fantastic weekend.

Winter Adventure Camp

Ages 7-14 Cost \$150 December 27-30

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Are you looking for a way to put a little adventure into your Winter break? Join us at YMCA Camp Kern for a magical weekend of fun and adventure with your favorite camp friends and couselors.



Camp Kern Open House 2006

Sunday **April 23rd** and Sunday **May 21st** 1:00pm - 5:00pm

Take an opportunity to meet our staff, take a tour and hear more about the summer programs at our open houses! Join us for a fun and informative afternoon. Visit our new facilities as well!

Renovated Sugar Woods Cabin #1 Renovated Pool House Multi-purpose Court Ranch Observation Tower New High Adventure Element

Give them an experience they'll never forget!



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