

2023 Program Descriptions

PATHFINDERS

This program is for boys and girls who have completed 1st-7th grades and features all the fun in camp activities. Pathfinders are exposed to a variety of activities and learn new skills under the supervision of our qualified counselors. Pathfinders will experience morning and night devotions with skits, games, singing and dancing. Night program will feature camp-wide games and activities for all ages. Programs and activities are age/ability specific. In-camp activities include but are not limited to: Tubing, Archery, Team Sports, Arts & Crafts, Ropes Course, Paddle Boards, Kayaking/Canoeing, Swimming (Blob and Trampoline), Drama, Dance, Nature Study and STEAM.

WATERSPORTS

This program is for boys and girls who have completed 7th or 8th grade and features boating activities. Watersports participants spend all their skill time on the waterfront. Campers are exposed to new water activities and are introduced to many water sport activities that include but are not limited to: tubing, wakeboarding, waterskiing and knee boarding. Their schedule, other than skill time, is in step with Pathfinders. Water safety is emphasized to help campers become more aware of precautions and polices in, on and around bodies of water.

TRAILBLAZERS (Lake Burton Only)

This program is for boys and girls who have completed 7th or 8th and is an adventure-based program geared towards our older campers who are ready to take the next step in their overnight camping experience. Trailblazer camper's schedule is different from our Pathfinders or Watersports campers. Trailblazer campers will experience two out of camp adventure trips during the week. These trips will include camping out under the stars. Outdoor ethics will be taught to help our campers protect the outdoors for future generations.

BOLD & GOLD

Boys Outdoor Leadership Development and Girls Outdoor Leadership Development (Lake Allatoona Only)

This program consists of a 5- day single-gender wilderness trip off site. These adventures give young people the opportunity to step out of their comfort zone and explore the natural world. Participants will disconnect from technology and focus on connecting to those around them and nature. During this time, teens will learn outdoor skills while engaging in the BOLD and GOLD curriculum to develop leadership skills, gain confidence, and make lifelong friends.

NAVIGATORS

This program is for boys and girls who have completed 7th or 8th grade and is a hybrid of our leadership and adventure programs. The Navigators program is for the teen who wants to experience all that camp has to offer in one week. Campers will participate in specialty camp skills (ropes course, boating activities, etc.), work together to complete a service project, participate in leadership training each day and debrief by the campfire at night. Navigator campers will have the unique opportunity to grow their leadership skills while enjoying the friends, fun, and fellowship that only YMCA Camp High Harbour can offer. An interview is NOT required to participate in the Navigators Program.

ADVANCED LEADERSHIP ACADEMY (ALA) Year-round leadership programs for young men and women completing grades 8th-10th. Available at Lake Burton and Lake Allatoona, ALC campers stay in cabins with other ALC campers only, while LITs are assigned cabins for each of their 3 weeks at camp.

- Leader-In-Training (LIT) LITs must be at least 15 years old and currently in 9th grade or 10th.
- Advanced Leadership Academy (ALC) ALCs must be at least 14 years old and currently in 8th grade, or 9th.
- *NOTE: An interview is required to participate in the ALC and/or LIT programs.