

YMCA
CAMP
COPNECONIC

2018 PROGRAMS GUIDE

CONFIDENCE

FRIENDSHIP

ADVENTURE

CHARACTER

THE RIGHT
DIRECTION

FOR KIDS. FOR LIFE.



CAMARADERIE

Campers develop lifelong friendships that benefit them for years to come. The feeling of **camaraderie**, inclusion, and being accepted and appreciated as your true self is our culture.



CHARACTER

Camp Copneconic builds **character** with camping activities and adventures that emphasize respect for oneself and others.

CAMARADERIE

CARING

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We pride ourselves on our caring staff and counselors. Staff instill **caring** for oneself and others through the programs and activities they facilitate.



CONFIDENCE

Whether it's conquering the ropes course for the first time or mastering archery, a week at Camp Copneconic spurs **confidence** and personal growth.


CONFIDENCE

COLLABORATION

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Through the principles of good sportsmanship and team-building activities, our campers learn to share and **collaborate**.





Camp Copneconic is known as one of the best camping experiences in the Midwest. We offer something for everyone with traditional camp activities combined with adventures such as zip lining, water sports, rock wall climbing, horseback riding and more; however, we are so much more than that. Through our thoughtfully designed camp experiences, campers develop skills that will serve them for life.

Forming lifelong friendships, participating in activities that help kids conquer fears, and building character are all part of the camp experience that builds confidence and fosters independence.

THE RIGHT DIRECTION. FOR KIDS. FOR LIFE.

A week at Copneconic helps build a guiding compass of values and character that develops kids — well beyond their time at Camp — pointing them in the right direction for life.

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TRADITIONAL DAY CAMPS

Our Traditional Day Camp programs offer the best “all around” camping experience. With age progressive programming, kids can return year after year and experience unique programs for each age group. Traditional Day Camps are offered all 10 sessions of the summer.

2018 DATES

- ▶ JUNE 18-22
- ▶ JUNE 25-29
- ▶ JULY 2-6
- ▶ JULY 9-13
- ▶ JULY 16-20
- ▶ JULY 23-27
- ▶ JULY 30-AUGUST 3
- ▶ AUGUST 6-10
- ▶ AUGUST 13-17
- ▶ AUGUST 20-24

SNOOPERS

Ages 4-Entering Kindergarten

Snoopers enjoy a full day of fun and exploration! It's the perfect introduction to summer camp with activities such as canoeing, pony rides, frog hunting and so much more. Low camper-to-staff ratios and positive role models create a safe and magical outdoor camp experience.

EXPLORERS

Entering 1st-2nd Grades

Explorers Day Camp is intentionally designed for small group participation in an outdoor setting that is upbeat, skill-oriented, imaginative and fun-filled. Explorers love our age progressive activities like archery, fishing and the Aqua Jump water trampoline!



HIGHLIGHTS

ALL TRADITIONAL DAY CAMPS INCLUDE:

- ▶ Imaginative Theme Events
- ▶ Daily Swimming
- ▶ Large Group Games
- ▶ Arts & Crafts
- ▶ Beach Parties
- ▶ Sports of All Sorts
- ▶ Friday Lunch Cookout



**“MY SON LOVES CAMP ...
HE GETS THE OPPORTUNITY TO
GO CANOEING, FISHING AND
DO OTHER ACTIVITIES WE ARE
UNABLE TO DO AT HOME.”**

PATHFINDERS

Entering 3rd–4th Grades

Pathfinders enjoy daily activities that foster an appreciation for nature, build new skills and are jam-packed with fun and adventure. Pathfinders build self-confidence while trying new activities like the Zoom Toss zip line, kayaking and the inflatable aqua challenge course on the lake.

CHALLENGERS

Entering 5th–6th Grades

Challengers’ days are filled with experiential activities, day camp favorites and the popular camper’s choice. Our thrill seekers learn new skills as they enjoy favorites like mountain biking, high adventure Fridays and the jungle water playground!

2018 DAY CAMP THEMES

- **June 18–22** Under the Sea: The Search for Poseidon’s Trident
- **June 25–29** Space Odyssey: Journey Through the Stars
- **July 2–6** Freedom for All, Heroes UNITE
- **July 9–13** Camp Copneconic Holidays
- **July 16–20** Ninjas vs Pirates: Defending Our Shores
- **July 23–27** Giants, Wizards and Elves
- **July 30–Aug. 3** The Quest for Camelot
- **August 6–10** Copneconic Cinemas
- **August 13–17** Western Roundup: The Final Stampede
- **August 20–24** Choose Your Own Adventure: When Stories Come Alive

SPECIALTY DAY CAMPS

Specialty Day Camps offer a perfect mix of specialized programming for half of each day and traditional camp fun for the other half. Horse Lovers Camp is the only exception as kids spend most of their day at the ranch.



FISH, FROGS & FORTS

Entering 1st-3rd Grades

Younger campers will love exploring nature, building secret forts, hunting for frogs and interacting with reptiles and amphibians. Kids will love learning to fish and attempt to catch the mysterious Big Charlie!

June 18-22

July 2-6

July 16-20

July 30-August 3

August 13-17

NATURE DISCOVERY

Entering 3rd-6th Grades

Nature enthusiasts will have hands-on experiences with reptiles, amphibians, bugs, birds and plants. Adventurous hikes through Camp's forests, ponds and streams will help introduce campers to Camp's amazing animals and wild habitats.

June 25-29

August 13-17

RODS & REELS

Entering 4th-7th Grades

Anglers learn fundamental fishing skills such as baiting, casting, habitat and setting the hook. Boats fully rigged with trolling motors and fish finders allow campers to learn advanced skills and try to catch the famous Big Charlie!

June 18-22

July 30-August 3

July 2-6



AQUAMANIA

Entering 1st-4th Grades

Aquamaniacs love our aquatic inflatable playground, creek hikes, canoeing, corcling, sailboat rides, swimming, tubing rides and a chance to play on all the exciting water toys!

June 25-29

July 9-13

August 6-10

August 20-24

WATERSPORTS

Entering 5th-8th Grades

Watersports Day Camp offers endless ways for kids to discover all that Lake Copneconic has to offer. Jet-ski tubing, paddle boarding, sailing, kayaking, canoeing and aqua toy obstacles will make a real splash with friends.

June 18-22

August 20-24

July 30-August 3



**“CAMP OFFERS MY CHILD
OPPORTUNITIES TO EXPLORE
NATURE, PARTICIPATE IN
NEW ACTIVITIES AND
MAKE NEW FRIENDS.”**



**“MY DAUGHTER IS NOW
MORE CONFIDENT IN
HERSELF AND SHE IS
MAKING MORE FRIENDS.”**

BOOTS-N-SADDLES

Entering 3rd-8th Grades

From showmanship to trail ride adventures, riders of all levels will be sure to improve their skills. Friendships will develop between campers as they learn to care for their horses, build confidence in their riding and make memories that will last a lifetime!

June 18-22

July 2-6

July 9-13

July 16-20

July 23-27

July 30-August 3

August 20-24

HORSE LOVERS

Entering 5th-8th Grades

Horse Lovers is for equestrians interested in a progressive week of riding lessons, show ring strategies and equestrian skills development. A full day of specialized classes will focus on expanding horse knowledge and confidence. This program is for riders with previous riding experience.

June 25-29 August 13-17

ADVENTURE IN IMAGINATION

Entering 3rd-6th Grades

The Genesee District Library and Camp Copneconic are partnering once again to offer an exciting specialty-themed day camp. Campers become immersed in a book series through creative programming, as well as enthusiastic staff. The story will come alive daily through imaginative activities into the wonderful world of mystery and adventure.



July 9-13

August 13-17

COPNECONIC SURVIVOR

Entering 4th-7th Grades

Earning team points along their journey, campers learn survival skills in the rugged Copneconic wilderness. Shelter building, orienteering, fire building, fishing and outdoor cooking are needed to succeed in this game of survival.

June 25-29

July 16-20

July 9-13

HIGH FIVE SPORTS

Entering 3rd-6th Grades

Sport fanatic campers will play a unique mix of camp games and sports. Ultimate Frisbee and capture the flag, as well as soccer, basketball, flag football, street hockey and don't forget the famous GaGa tournament!

July 16-20 July 23-27

ADVENTURE CHALLENGE

Entering 5th-8th Grades

Thrill seekers will love our double-decker high ropes course, 55 foot climbing tower, Creek Freak zip line, mountain biking and giant swing. Campers also learn about teambuilding on our challenging low ropes course.

July 2-6 August 20-24

COPNECONIC RAMBLER

Entering 4th-7th Grades

Campers enjoy a taste of all of our specialty camps like horseback riding, watersports, high adventure, sports, nature, survival and fishing. This program gives an adventurous variety of what Camp has to offer.

June 18-22 July 16-20
July 2-6

TREKKERS

Entering 7th-8th Grades

Trekkers Day Camp appeals to older campers who enjoy expanding their horizons and experiencing new adventures. Campers travel off Camp one day during the week via bus for a fun trip to some of the area's most adventurous and exciting attractions. While at Camp, our oldest Day Campers love paddling around the lake in Corcls, playing sports or spending time on the Wibit water obstacle course!

June 18-22 August 6-10
July 9-13 August 20-24
July 23-27



TREKKER TRIPS 2018

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- June 18-22:** Zap Zone Fun Center
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- July 9-13:** Red Oaks Waterpark
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- July 23-27:** Ann Arbor Hands On Museum
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- August 6-10:** Waterford Oaks Waterpark
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- August 20-24:** Kokomos Family Fun Center
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TRADITIONAL OVERNIGHT CAMPS

Our Traditional Overnight Camps programs offer the best “all around” camping experience. With age progressive programming, kids can return year after year and experience unique programs for each age group. Traditional Overnight Camps are offered all seven sessions of the summer.

TRAILBLAZERS

Entering 4th–5th Grades

As our youngest and most often first-time members of the Camp family, Trailblazers get their feet wet in all that Camp has to offer. With inclusion and friendship, this group will enjoy a traditional camp experience participating in activities such as our infamous Creek Freak zip line, archery, arts and crafts, the reptile house, aqua toys, canoeing and so much more!

PIONEERS

Entering 6th–8th Grades

Pioneers experience more activity options now that they’re older. This group will have the opportunity to test their bravery on our 55 foot climbing tower or giant swing, kayak with their friends around legendary Snake Island, sharpen their skills at disc golf, and have “Camper’s Choice” options where they get to choose which activity they want to try, or do again! Pioneers are challenged to meet new people and step outside of their comfort zones!



2018 DATES

- ▶ JULY 1-6
- ▶ JULY 8-13
- ▶ JULY 15-20
- ▶ JULY 22-27
- ▶ JULY 29-AUGUST 3
- ▶ AUGUST 5-10
- ▶ AUGUST 12-17



“BOTH OF MY KIDS ENJOYED IT AND HAVE NOTHING BUT POSITIVE THINGS TO SAY ABOUT CAMP COPNECONIC.”

VOYAGERS

Entering 9th–11th Grades

As our oldest campers in the Camp community, Voyagers participate in activities such as our high ropes course or tower zip line, navigate the shores of Lake Copneconic on our paddleboards, hang with their friends in Hammockville, or challenge their counselors to a round of Gaga! This group is given the freedom to shape part of their camp experience by taking their schedule into their own hands and selecting their activities on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Voyagers build self-confidence and form friendships that last a lifetime.

2018 OVERNIGHT CAMP THEMES

- July 1–6 Freedom for All, Heroes UNITE
- July 8–13 Camp Copneconic Holidays
- July 15–20 Ninjas vs Pirates: Defending Our Shores
- July 22–27 Giants, Wizards and Elves
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SPECIALTY OVERNIGHT CAMPS



CIRCLE C RANCH

Entering 4th–10th Grades

Circle C Ranch Camp is designed for riders of all levels who want to advance their equestrian skills. Campers strengthen friendships in their skill groups while bonding with their horse. Lessons focus on skills ranging from adventurous Western trail riding to show ring etiquette. From barrels to jumping, your camper will build confidence as an equestrian.

July 1–6

July 8–13

July 15–20

July 22–27

July 29–August 3

HORSEMASTERS

Entering 5th–11th Grades

Horsemasters is a great opportunity for riders with previous experience who want to fully immerse themselves in advancing their horse knowledge. A full day of horse time and special activities offered only during Horsemasters provide for an enriching equestrian experience. Special guests may include visits from our farrier, veterinarian and other experts.

August 5–10

COPNECONIC MEDLEY

Entering 6th–8th Grades

Variety seekers experience a full spectrum of camper's choice activities. Campers customize their camp experience and are given a medley of program choices on a daily basis, including watersports, high adventure, extreme games, arts and crafts, target sports, fishing and much more.

July 22–27

August 5–10

CAMP MOVE IT

Entering 3rd–6th Grades

Outdoor adventure and healthy living go hand in hand at Camp. The Y and Hurley Wellness Services are teaming up to provide an experience that is not only jam-packed with FUN, but active lifestyle choices. Campers learn valuable habits such as nutritious eating and cooking, as well as physical fitness, while enjoying an authentic camp experience. Campers leave with the skills needed to maintain a healthy weight and a Move It lifestyle. To register for Camp Move It, please call 844-WELL4ME (935-5463) or email WELL4ME@hurleymc.com.



July 29–August 3

CAMP SOAR

Entering 5th–12th Grades

Participants will work on competitive swimming skills in Lake Copneconic and at a local lap pool. The camp experience will also include daily conditioning, keynote speakers, training by YMCA competitive swim coaches, traditional camp activities and more! Campers should already know strokes and be ready to work on advanced technique.

August 12–17

CRAZY ABOUT COPNECONIC 2 WEEK

Entering 6th–11th Grades

Two action-packed weeks of overnight camp is sure to build confidence and independence! Our two-week campers will experience age appropriate activities with favorites like the Creek Freak zip line, kayaking, swimming and the double decker high ropes course. A special weekend stay is a highlight as our two-weekers enjoy all of Camp Copneconic to themselves!

July 8–20

July 29–August 10

CIT-COUNSELOR IN TRAINING 2 WEEK

Entering 12th Grade

The CIT program provides a unique learning opportunity for campers who are aspiring to become camp counselors or future leaders. The CIT program is a two-week program that kicks off with a two-day camping trip focused on establishing expectations, teambuilding and leadership. CITs then return to Camp for interactive workshops on camper management, communication skills and leading activities. Week two, CITs put their training into action as they shadow and assist counselors with an assigned cabin group.

July 8–20



TRAVEL TRIP ADVENTURE SERIES



GIRL'S SOUTH MANITOU TRIP

Entering 8th–11th Grades

This all-girl backpacking trip explores all that Northern Michigan's South Manitou Island has to offer. The trip begins with a night in Glen Arbor before the ferry departs for the island the next morning. Campers will learn outdoor and teambuilding skills as they shape their own experience, choosing together what hikes to venture on each day. Girls will discover their inner potential, be empowered and develop a newfound appreciation for nature.

July 15–20

BOY'S NORTH MANITOU TRIP

Entering 8th–11th Grades

This all-boys backpacking trip explores all that Northern Michigan's North Manitou Island has to offer. Rugged and free, campers will tap into their inner outdoorsman as they work together to read a map, cook their own meals and set up tents under the stars. Activities like hiking to Manitou Lake and swimming in Lake Michigan are sure to create memories to last a lifetime!

July 29–August 3

MICHIGAN MOSAIC TRIP

Entering 8th–11th Grades

This co-ed trip gives campers an all-around travel trip experience! From sailing on Traverse Bay and tubing down the Platte River to kayaking and sand dune exploring along beautiful Lake Michigan, this week has it all. The trip culminates with an excursion to Michigan's Adventure to top off an already adventure-packed week of fun!

August 12–17



2018 PRICING

2018 OVERNIGHT CAMP PRICING

Program	On or Before March 15th	On or Before May 31st	Rate Starting June 1st
Trailblazers/Pioneers/Voyagers/ Medley	\$535	\$560	\$585
Circle C Ranch	\$550	\$575	\$600
Horsemasters	\$585	\$610	\$635
C.I.T. (Two-Week Program)	\$675	\$700	\$725
Crazy About Copneconic (Two-Week Program)	\$1,020	\$1,045	\$1,070
Travel Trip	\$700	\$725	\$750

2018 DAY CAMP PRICING

Program	On or Before March 15th	On or Before May 31st	Rate Starting June 1st
Snoopers/Explorers/Pathfinders/ Challengers/Specialty	\$210	\$225	\$240
Trekkers	\$220	\$235	\$250
Boots & Saddles	\$250	\$265	\$280
Horse Lovers	\$270	\$285	\$300

MONTHLY INSTALLMENT PROGRAM

For those registering online, you will have the option to spread your payment from the time you register up to June. Installments are charged to your credit card on file on the 15th of each month with the final charge on June 15th.

Register early for lower monthly payments!

HOW IT WORKS

- 1 Register online (the installment program is only available for online registration).
- 2 Pay deposit at the time of registration (\$150 for Overnight Camps; \$75 for Day Camps).
- 3 Your remaining balance will then be split into equal monthly payments to be paid on the 15th of each month.
- 4 The final payment will be charged on June 15th.

SIBLING DISCOUNT!

Camp Copneconic provides a discount for families sending multiple children in the same household to camp.

Siblings
receive a
15%
DISCOUNT ON
CAMP FEES

SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THOSE FAMILIES IN NEED OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE. VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT WWW.CAMPCOPNECONIC.ORG FOR MORE INFORMATION.

PARTNER WITH YOUTH CAMBERSHIP FUND

Skills learned and relationships fostered are often life-changing stepping stones on the road to adulthood for kids who attend summer camp. But, for some families, the cost of sending their child(ren) to camp is too much of a financial burden. At YMCA Camp Copneconic, we believe every child should have a chance to have a life-changing experience, regardless of their ability to pay. That is why we need your help to provide a camp experience for deserving youth in our community. No matter how big or small, your donations ensure each of our campers has the most rewarding experience possible.

In 2017, the generosity of families helped us send 450 youth to camp who otherwise could not have been able to attend. On behalf of each child that will visit YMCA Camp Copneconic this year, thank you for your support and dedication!

Donations may be made on your camp registration form. If you or someone you know would benefit from a campership, please visit www.campcopneconic.org to apply or call 810-629-9622 for a paper application.

SUMMER CAMP OPEN HOUSES

We invite you to preview our 2018 Summer Camp Programs. Bring your friends and family for a free afternoon of sample programs and activities. Our staff will answer all of your questions and give you a tour of our facility.

SUNDAY, MARCH 11th

SUNDAY, MAY 20th

Summer Camp Open Houses run from 2pm-5pm. Please register online to hold your spot at www.campcopneconic.org.





THE COPNECONIC DIFFERENCE

HEALTH & SAFETY FIRST

Always thinking safety first, health and safety staff are available 24 hours a day to campers and operate under the consultation of an honorary camp medical director from Hurley Children's Hospital. Safety policies and procedures are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Certified staff supervise all aquatic and adventure-based activities.

OVER 100 YEARS OF CAMPING EXCELLENCE

Since 1915, YMCA Camp Copneconic has been a staple of excellence in the community. Our emphasis remains on creating and strengthening lasting friendships, developing skills, providing genuine and high-quality programs and building character.

DEDICATED, CARING STAFF

We understand the importance of positive role models for today's young people. Each summer, over 100 enthusiastic and caring staff come to Copneconic to shape campers' lives. All staff members undergo background checks and an extensive training program in camper well-being, activity leadership, the YMCA Core Values and much more. We stand dedicated to providing a safe and fun week for your child.

AMAZING RESOURCES

Camp Copneconic is nestled on 125-acre Lake Copneconic. This provides the perfect atmosphere to enjoy an array of resources, including playing fields, forests, zip lines, high ropes course, giant swing, climbing tower, mountain bikes, horse and hiking trails, archery ranges, and two cutting-edge waterfronts.

2018 YEAR ROUND PROGRAMS

WINTER MINI CAMP

3rd-11th Grades and 2017 CITs
February 2-4, 2018

Fee: \$145, \$22 off each sibling
in the household

We're bringing a little summer fun to these cold wintery months! Join us for a blizzardy weekend, complete with all the staples of summer adapted to a unique winter experience. Sledding, tobogganing, ice skating and so much more will be enjoyed on this winter weekend!

SPRING BREAK DAY CAMP – COPNECONIC OLYMPICS

Age 4-8th Grade
April 2 – 6, 2018

Fee: \$195, \$29 off each sibling
in the household

Ignite your competitive spirit as we celebrate the arrival of spring with our Copneconic Olympic Games! Campers will use their skills to play hard and go for the gold with some fun competition. Join in as we explore camp and enjoy some of our favorite summer activities, including the reptile house, high adventure, archery and even a special field trip the YMCA for swimming!

“MY KIDS LOVE Y CAMP.
I FEEL THAT THEY ARE SAFE
PHYSICALLY, MENTALLY AND
SOCIALY.”



MOTHER & DAUGHTER RANCH WEEKEND

Entering 3rd-8th Grades

June 1-3 & August 24-26, 2018

**Fee: \$275/Mother & Daughter Pair,
\$75 Each Additional Daughter**

Moms and daughters will create memories that last a lifetime during this fun-filled ranch weekend. Moms and daughters will learn to saddle, ride and care for horses while also getting a taste of traditional camp activities. There will be opportunities for sunset and sunrise trail rides, pony games, horse-themed crafts and barn cook-outs. Mother & Daughter Ranch Weekend is a bonding experience that you will cherish for years to come.



HALLOWEEN MINI CAMP

3rd-11th Grades and 2018 CITs

October 26-28, 2018

**Fee: \$145, \$22 off each sibling
in the household**

Experience a truly hair-raising Halloween at Camp Copneconic as we celebrate the much-anticipated fall holiday in spooktacular style! Sink your teeth into autumn activities such as scarecrow building, pumpkin carving and many more traditional camp activities. Of course Halloween at Camp wouldn't be the same without a campfire and a trick-or-treat trek through our haunted forest. Join us this fall for our Halloween weekend!

FAMILY FUN DAYS

Ages 4+

January 28, 2018 & October 14, 2018

**Fee: \$25/Pair, \$5 Each Additional
Family Member**

Join us for an afternoon of exciting programs and activities! If you've seen how much fun your campers have had and want to join in on the fun, this day is for you! Many of our favorite camp activities will be offered depending on the season. Come during the winter for cross country skiing and sledding and then come out in the fall for canoeing and the zip line! The day ends with a traditional camp dinner and campfire complete with s'mores!



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