

Camp You B You

Social Skills Day Camp FAQs

- Location:** Decatur Family YMCA off of Clairemont Avenue
Dates: June 4th—June 22nd (Monday—Friday)
9:00AM—4:00PM
Available Camps: General (ages 5—12) and Art Camp (ages 5—9)

Requirements

- Must be 5 – 12 years old
- Mandatory to attend all 3 weeks
- Toileted trained / cannot be on a specific toileting schedule
 - *This is a YMCA policy.*
- Demonstrate vocal communication skills to indicate wants/needs, at least respond to questions with sentences or phrases, and display progress toward making statements and asking questions
- No current instances of elopement (i.e., running off), aggressive behavior, or disruptive behavior
 - There is no fence around the premises of the YMCA. Clairemont Avenue is a busy road. Also, this camp is not staffed 1:1.
- Parent orientation is mandatory either in person at Marcus Autism Center or via WebEx

How many campers?

- YMCA has approximately 100 to 150 campers daily
- Marcus Autism Center accepts 25 campers

Are the campers accepted by Marcus Autism Center in their own camp?

- No, it's a full inclusion camp model
- All campers are separated by age group
- Each group can have up to 14 campers in each group
- Typically 3-4 campers accepted by Marcus Autism Center in a group with up to 10 same age peers
- 4:1 camper to counselor ratio
- Marcus Autism Center campers follow the same schedule as the group they are assigned to

How are campers supported?

- 2 Marcus Autism Center Clinicians who are BCBA's are on-site each day

- Undergraduate interns (some seeking college credit) assist with prompting social skills
- All Marcus Autism Center staff wear YMCA STAFF shirts with no Marcus Autism Center /Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta logos
- Interns are responsible for discreetly overseeing 3—4 campers

What happens when the campers arrive in the morning?

- All parents drop their children off similar to a school carpool line
- Upon arrival, the whole camp meets inside the gym for opening ceremonies
- Divided into their group during this time as counselors prep for the day

What activities are at camp?

- Indoor activities such as: swimming (specific days), tennis, karate, dancing, organized group games; outdoor activities such as: GAGA ball, jump rope, basketball, STEM, arts & crafts, water games, kickball, organized group games, on-site and off-site field trips

What does a typical camp day look like?

**This is only an example.*

- 9:00AM – Arrival / Opening Ceremony

**Morning activities are scheduled during specific times*

- 10:30AM – Snack
- 12:00PM – Lunch
- 1:00PM – Swim

**Afternoon activities are scheduled during specific times*

- 2:45PM – Snack
- 3:30PM – Closing Ceremony
- 4:00PM – Departure

Are early and after care available?

- Yes, this is set up directly with the YMCA. Early and after-care is for children who are able to be successful in a large-group and mainly unstructured environment. Participation in early and after-care services is monitored by YMCA staff and administration only.

