

## **Group Community Time:**

Time where each group of similar aged campers spend time together to build friendships, practice teamwork, and strengthen their camp community. Through group games, discussions, and shared moments, campers learn how to support one another, listen and include all voices through sharing openly, and contribute positively to the group. This time helps create a safe, welcoming environment where everyone feels they belong.

## **Preparing Lunch:**

Providing campers a hands-on opportunity to help with age-appropriate tasks in making and setting up lunch. Campers work together to prepare food, share responsibilities, set up our lunch space and practice teamwork while learning practical life skills. This station encourages participation, cooperation, and pride in contributing to the group.

## **Cleaning Lunch:**

A hands-on opportunity for campers to help tidy up after mealtime. Campers work together to clear tables, wash dishes, and keep the space neat, learning teamwork and responsibility in a fun, organized way. This station helps everyone take part in keeping camp clean and ready for the next activity.

## **Cleaning Camp:**

A hands-on station where campers help keep the camp clean and organized. Activities can include picking up litter, tidying program spaces, organizing supplies, and helping maintain shared spaces. Campers work together, practice cooperation, and take pride in caring for their camp environment.

## **All Camp games:**

Bringing the entire camp together for high-energy fun and friendly competition that builds connection and lasting memories. Through team challenges and camp-wide games, campers practice caring by encouraging teammates, respect by playing fairly and including everyone, honesty by following rules and celebrating effort, and responsibility by staying safe and supporting the group. The focus is on teamwork, sportsmanship, and having fun together — win or lose.

## **Life Skill Building Station:**

This station helps campers grow confidence and independence by learning and practicing new skills in a supportive environment. Through hands-on challenges and guided instruction, campers develop perseverance by trying their best each and every time, recognize progress and effort even if it is small, and support others as they learn by encouraging their campmates. This station empowers campers to discover what they can do and celebrate as they step into their growth zone at their own pace.

## **Character Corner:**

This flexible, age-appropriate experience designed to give campers an extra boost during the day. Activities vary by group and may include creative problem-solving, learning new skills like coding, exploring nature through gardening or composting, or other interest-based projects. No matter what the activity, campers practice the YMCA core values of caring, honesty, respect, and responsibility as they try new things, support one another, and take pride in their

learning. This station encourages curiosity, confidence, and personal growth while strengthening our camp community.

### **Arts and Crafts Station:**

Campers express creativity while building confidence, patience, and pride in their work. Through hands-on projects, campers practice sharing materials, care for their space, celebrate their own unique creations, and encourage one another to try something new. This station provides a welcoming space where every camper belongs and creativity is about effort, not perfection.