

CAMP HAZEN YMCA



**WHERE
KIDS
THRIVE
BECAUSE
THEY
BELONG**

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A MESSAGE FROM DENISE...

In today's world, I believe it is more important than ever to give our children a place to just be a kid; where they can learn to make decisions, take responsibility, and gain confidence in themselves. This is what we offer at Camp Hazen YMCA. Our program is strong and our facilities are well kept, but it's our staff who make us stand head and shoulders above the rest. We are all passionate about what we do here and we hear time and again that it doesn't appear like a job to our staff, they genuinely enjoy being here and working with the kids we serve.

I'm so proud of the people my three children have grown up to be, and I truly believe that part of what makes them who they are today, is the time they have spent growing up at Camp Hazen YMCA. While at Camp they made friends for life and tried so many new things, all while being surrounded by great role models from all over the world.

I understand the trust it takes to put your child in the care of someone else. That's why it is so important for you to learn as much about us as possible, to be sure Camp Hazen is the right fit for your family.

I invite you to come out to Camp for a tour, to meet our Directors, and to see for yourself what we are all about.

Denise Learned
Executive Director/CEO



BENEFITS OF CAMP



99%

of campers feel
Camp Hazen YMCA helps

MAKE NEW FRIENDS

If you went to camp as a child, you will not be surprised to hear the benefits that a summer camp experience can offer. The strong memories you have, the lessons you learned and the friends you made are most likely still with you. If you didn't go, you may not realize how powerful a camp experience is for children. In a nutshell, here are some of the benefits:

Develop life-long skills • Gain resiliency •
Unplug from technology • Learn social skills •
Experience success • Increase confidence •
Grow more independent • Make more, and
better friends • Enjoy the outdoors



95%

of our campers say Camp
Hazen YMCA helps them feel
more

CONFIDENT



98%

of campers report that
Camp Hazen YMCA helps them

TRY NEW THINGS



9 out of 10

campers believe Camp Hazen
YMCA helps them become better

LEADERS



*Summer 2015 Camper Evaluations



WHY HAZEN?

THE CAMP IS GREAT, BUT HAVE YOU MET OUR STAFF?

Every parent wants their kids to have great role models – and we've found them! We search every corner of the globe, unearthing role models that parents can only dream about. Having counselors that come from all over the world gives our campers a sense of global awareness and helps them to appreciate the international community. These talented counselors are caring, committed, fun, and responsible.



Many of our counselors are our 'home grown' staff who come to us through our very own leadership programs. They understand the magic of camp and draw on their own great experiences as campers. They work hard to ensure that your child has the same amazing experiences as they did. They know the importance of traditions, they live our core values, and they love this place more than anyone. Together with our amazing international staff and the incredible staff from all over the US, we will make your child's experience unforgettable.





THIS IS WHY...

OUR PROMISE

Your child will be our #1 priority. Everything we do, every decision we make, has your child's safety and well-being in mind.

OUR VALUES

Our community is based on the YMCA pillars of Caring, Honesty, Respect and Responsibility. We use these values in our cabin groups, at meals in the dining hall, and throughout the day.

OUR MISSION

Camp Hazen YMCA is committed to helping youth develop valuable life skills through camping experiences that build healthy bodies, open minds and awakened spirits.

OUR VISION

To be a time and place in people's lives that they look back on and smile. We hope we are a place where people are always happy to arrive, and hesitant to leave.

OUR CAUSE

We believe that all children should have a Hazen experience, regardless of their family's ability to afford camp. Camp Hazen YMCA has instituted a voluntary 4-tier pricing program for our Summer Programs. For more information call our office, or go to our website.

OUR BELIEF

Camp Hazen YMCA is an inclusive organization. Our doors are open to everyone, from across all dimensions of diversity, creating the opportunity to learn from each other. It is our belief that, in a diverse world, we are stronger when we are inclusive. We have a culture of acceptance and we know that it is our differences that bring us closer together.



We offer Financial Assistance, a program designed to offer support to families from a wide range of individual financial situations. For more information and an application, please visit our website at www.camphazenyumca.org

Join us this summer!
Call to arrange a personal family tour.

**We're proud to be
accredited by the
American Camp
Association**



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