

# 2018 Holmes Summer Camp Schedule

	Week 1 July 1-7	Week 2 July 8-14	Week 3 July 15-21	Week 4 July 22-28	Week 5 July 29 - August 4	Week 6 August 5-11
Day Camp entering 2nd - 4th grades	Adventurers July 2 - 6 \$240	Adventurers July 9 - 13 \$240	Adventurers July 16 - 20 \$240	Adventurers July 23 - 27 \$240	Adventurers July 30-August 3 \$240	Adventurers August 6 - 10 \$240
Day Camp entering 5th - 6th grades	Pioneers July 2 - 6 \$240	Pioneers July 9 - 13 \$240	Pioneers July 16 - 20 \$240	Pioneers July 23 - 27 \$240	Pioneers July 30-August 3 \$240	Pioneers August 6 - 10 \$240
Day Camp entering 7th - 9th grades	Navigators July 2 - 6 \$240	Navigators July 9 - 13 \$240	Navigators July 16 - 20 \$240	Navigators July 23 - 27 \$240	Navigators July 30-August 3 \$240	Navigators August 6 - 10 \$195
Mini-week Overnight Camp entering 2nd - 4th grades			Discovers Sun-Tues OR Wed-Sat \$310			
Overnight Camp entering 3rd - 4th grades		Explorers \$695	Nature Explorers (3rd-6th) \$710	Explorers \$695	Culinary Creators (3rd-6th) \$720	
Overnight Camp entering 5th - 6th grades		Pathfinders \$695 Saddle Up! \$900	Arts and Arrows \$710	Makers \$720 2 week Pathfinders July 22- August 4 \$1,025		Pathfinders \$695
Overnight Camp entering 7th - 9th grades		Aquatic Adventurers \$710 Farming, Foraging, Fellowship \$720		Saddle Up! \$900 2 week Trailblazers July 22 - August 4 \$1,025		Trailblazers \$695
Overnight Camp entering 7th - 12th grades		Culinary Creators \$720	Night Owl \$710		Bike Camp \$720	Night Owl \$710
Overnight Camp entering 10th - 12th grades				S.A.L.T. (10th - 11th grades) July 22 - August 4 \$1,025		Inspired by Creation \$720 Farming, Foraging, Fellowship \$720
Leadership Camp entering 12th grade or 2018 high school graduate		L.I.T.E (11h grade - graduates) July 8 - 28 \$1,000				
Family Camps	Family Camp 5 day: July 2-6 3 day: July 4-6 see prices in description	You and Me July 12 - 14 \$170 Adult \$170 Child 1st - 3rd grade				
				***Stay Over Weekend*** \$130		

**Family Camp** July 2-6 or July 4-6

Families need time together, away from the daily distractions of work and life, but vacations can be difficult to plan. Let Holmes do the hard work for you! Our staff will lead a flexible schedule with activities for all ages, including family faith time, visits to Yarrow Hollow Farm, swimming, and celebrating July 4th!

*Registration Fees:*  
5 Days

*Agape* South Unit  
4-12 years old: \$460 4-12 years old: \$420  
13 years and older: \$605 13 years and older: \$565

3 Days South Unit  
4-12 years old: \$280 4-12 years old: \$240  
13 years and older: \$365 13 years and older: \$325

**You and Me** July 12-14

You and Me is a 2 day camp designed for younger elementary campers to get a taste of overnight camp with a parent, grandparent, or other adult companion.

**Nature Explorers** July 15-21

God has created an amazing world for us to explore! Nature Explorers will investigate the ecosystems of Holmes, including our lakes, Yarrow Hollow Farm and the woods.

**Culinary Creators** July 29-August 4 Junior

Calling future chefs! Campers spend part of each day with Chef Bobby learning culinary skills, food safety and creating delicious food to share with the whole camp and to take home at the end of the week!

**Day Camp**

**Adventurers (entering 2d-4th)**  
**Pioneers (entering 5th-6th)**  
**Navigators (entering 7th-9th)**

Day Camp provides all of the fun and adventure of our overnight programs between 9 am and 5 pm! Lunch is provided; Pioneers and Navigators will also have the opportunity to cook one lunch over a camper.

Early arrival and late pick up are available each day for an additional fee.

**Discoverers** July 15-17  
July 18-21

These mini-week programs allow younger campers to discover the fun of overnight camp at Holmes on their own!

**Explorers** July 8-14  
July 22-28

Come explore what a full week of overnight camp has to offer! Campers take part in some of our favorite activities like boating, cookout and 9 Square as they live in community, learning about our shared faith.



**Stay Over Weekend**

For those campers who just can't get enough of Holmes in one week, we are offering a weekend to stay at Holmes! Campers must be registered for an overnight program during Week 4 AND Week 5 to register for the stay over weekend.

**Pathfinders** July 8-14  
July 22-August 4  
August 5-11

This week (or two weeks!) is a perfect opportunity for older elementary campers to try new things at Holmes! Pathfinders are able to try archery and canoeing, as well as Holmes favorites like 9 Square and arts and crafts.

**Saddle Up** July 8-14

Saddle Up is the perfect camp for horse lovers, no matter their riding ability! Campers will travel each day to Crosswinds Equestrian Center (Lagrangeville, NY) for lessons in basic horse care, safety and riding techniques for beginner and intermediate riders. When campers aren't riding, they are able to try their skills at archery, bakery and other Holmes favorite activities.

**Arts and Arrows** July 15-21

Campers are able to combine their archery and artistic skills by creating art at the archery range and targets at arts and crafts.

**Makers** July 22-28

During Makers, campers will explore how engineering, physics and math are part of the world around us as they explore Holmes, visit Yarrow Hollow Farm, bake treats at bakery and more! Campers will be able to share their creations and discoveries at our Saturday Closing Program.



**Aquatic Adventurers** July 8-14

Escape the heat and jump in Westminster Lake! Aquatic Adventurers will spend most of their week at Westminster and Denton Lakes, swimming, canoeing, and playing water games. Campers will also hike to Lake Dutchess (on the edge of Holmes property) for a day of exploring.

**Farming, Foraging, Fellowship** July 8-14

Beginning and ending with faith, campers will consider the relationships between a seemingly broad range of topics including religion, science, personal health, environmental ethics, food systems, and social justice. Campers will live in our South Unit cabins as they work and learn at Yarrow Hollow, our own organic farm.

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**Trailblazers** August 5-11

Middle school campers are able to experience all that Holmes has to offer – from canoeing at Denton Lake to the high ropes course at the top of the hill, and everything in between! Trailblazers will also be able to improve their outdoor cooking skills as they cook a few of their meals over a campfire.

**Culinary Creators** July 8-14

Calling future chefs! Campers spend part of each day with Chef Bobby learning culinary skills, food safety and creating delicious food to share with the whole camp and to take home at the end of the week!

**Night Owl** July 15-21  
August 5-11

This camp is perfect for middle and high school campers who want to stay up late every night! By day enjoy your favorite camp activities like canoeing, swimming, and the high ropes course. Explore and play at night with campfires, faith explorations, night hikes, and glow in the dark games followed by a cookout dinner and worship under the stars.

**Bike Camp** July 29-August 4

Bring your mountain bike to camp! Together, campers will learn some safety and basic maintenance skills before heading out on day trips along local scenic bike trails.



**LITE: Leaders in Training Experience** July 8-28

LITE is a three-week program for youth who want to excel in leadership positions at camp, church, school, and beyond! The focus is on personal faith development, group dynamics, and communication skills with an emphasis on leadership. LITE campers begin their time with a week of training before spending two weeks putting it into practice, shadowing staff as program staff, junior counselors, or both.

Once registered, LITE campers will then be asked to fill out an online application, provide three references, and be available for an interview. Registration is not complete without the application, references, and interview. Please contact Natasha Taylor, Summer Camp and Youth Programs Director at [ntaylor@holmescamp.org](mailto:ntaylor@holmescamp.org) or (845) 878-6383 with questions.



**SALT: Service and Leadership Training** July 22-August 4

SALT allows high school campers an opportunity to put their faith into action and explore what it means to be the servant leaders Jesus calls us to be. Campers will lead worship during Friends Day and in a local church, complete various projects around Holmes and serve within our local communities. Come prepared for 2 weeks of playing and working hard!

**Inspired by Creation** August 5-11

Experience a week of discovery, fellowship and endless creativity! Campers will explore the spiritual interconnectedness between oneself and God's creation using nature as a creative resource to make a variety of projects. Campers will also improve their outdoor cooking skills as they cook a few of their own meals over a campfire.

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### Bridges to Community: Nicaragua Misson Trips

Holmes partners with *Bridges to Community* to host two volunteer trips to Nicaragua. These unique experiences allow high school students to meet incredible people, help a community in need achieve its goals, and be forever changed! Trips include working on a sustainable development project while living and working with the community being served. Groups will also be able to explore the rich cultural traditions and natural beauty of Nicaragua.

July 14-21 and August 4-12.

More information about our Bridges to Community trips can be found online at [www.holmescamp.org/BridgesToCommunity](http://www.holmescamp.org/BridgesToCommunity).



### Yarrow Hollow Farm



Yarrow Hollow Farm is a place and community dedicated to resurrecting knowledge of, and care for, the many gifts of Creation. Yarrow Hollow provides our dining hall with produce, as well as offering experiential learning to campers, retreat groups, and the local community. The focus at Yarrow Hollow is on environmental ethics and sustainable farming practices, animal ethics, wild foods, foraging, and the importance of responsible agriculture and ecological stewardship for people of faith. It is a beautiful, nourishing space where we can reconnect with sacred soil, water and sunshine, leaving us with a better sense of ourselves and the systems that sustain us.

### On-Line Registration

To register online, visit our website at [www.HolmesCamp.org](http://www.HolmesCamp.org). When you click on the Summer Camp tab at top of the page, you will find the link to the online registration on the right side of the page.

### Payment Options

To reserve your space, a **\$100 non-refundable deposit** is required for each session. **The balance of the camp fee is due 2 weeks prior to your session.** You may pay online, mail a check or pay by credit card. Please make checks payable to: **HOLMES PRESBYTERIAN CAMP.**

### Once You Have Registered

Upon receipt of your registration and your non-refundable deposit, you will be sent a confirmation letter, a "what to bring list" and welcome packet. **We utilize an online health history form through CampDoc.com** to maintain camper health information in a secure location. Holmes requires forms to be completed by a physician; please **scan these completed forms and submit them online** or **return them** with the balance of the **camp fee two weeks prior to your session.**

### Early Bird Discounts

Pay full registration fees before March 31, 2018 to receive 5% off your registration fee.

### Refer a Friend

When you recruit a friend to attend Holmes who has never attended Holmes before, both campers are eligible for a \$20 Canteen credit! The Canteen credit will be applied when both the returning and new camper have paid in full. Limited to \$20 credit per camper. Please complete the "Refer a Friend Credit Request" form in your online registration account to receive the Canteen credit.

### Camperships

We believe that all children and youth benefit from a Christian camp experience! Holmes is able to offer financial assistance to a limited number of campers. Applications and more information is available online at [www.HolmesCamp.org](http://www.HolmesCamp.org).

### Cancellations

If you cancel your registration at least two weeks before the start of the camp session you will be refunded payments minus the \$100 deposit, or your payments may be transferred to a different camp session. No refunds are granted for cancellations made within two weeks of the beginning of the camp session. If a camper is sent home sick, your fee will not be refunded, but the camper may return at a later time in this program year if there is space available.

# Welcome to Holmes!

A welcoming Christian community, responding to God's call, where lives change and faith grows in a natural setting.

At Holmes, days are full of fun and fellowship!

Swim lessons Row Boats Arts and Crafts Fishing Hiking  
Farming Canoeing Teambuilding Prayer Team Games  
High Ropes Vespers Nature Exploration GaGa Ball Lake Slide  
9 Square Faith Exploration Archery Low Ropes Singing

That is just a portion of what happens when children and youth create their own community with their counselors! Every family group cooks their own dinner on Wednesday evening over their own campfire. They sleep out one evening. We create a safe place where children and youth can think about, explore, and talk about faith-related issues. One way we do this is daily Bible study, which includes games, crafts, discussions, skits and other ways to engage with the Bible story and the daily theme. This summer, our curriculum invites us to ask big questions about God and our faith. Together we will explore how God can be seen in the vastness of creation, the power of community, and in our own hearts! We will be challenged to see how we can experience God and share God's love with those around us.

## Accreditation



To further assure parents that their children will enjoy a fun, safe, meaningful experience, Holmes Presbyterian Camp and Conference Center has voluntarily submitted to the accreditation process of the American Camp Association. This organization is the only nationally recognized group governing youth camping professionals. This accreditation means we have met the highest standards in the quality of camp health, safety, programming, personnel, and administration.

Holmes Presbyterian Camp and Conference Center conducts summer camp with a permit issued by Putnam County according to New York State Health Department regulations for Children's Summer Camps. The County Health Department regularly visits during the summer to ensure compliance with these regulations.



## "There's no place like Holmes!"

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Please join us for our annual  
**Open House!**

**Sunday, May 20, 2018**  
**2 pm to 5:30 pm**

Join us for an afternoon of fun at Holmes!  
We offer tours throughout the afternoon, as well as camp activities (depending on the weather). Come prepared to play while learning about summer camp at Holmes!

Food will be on the grill and available all afternoon.

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