



YMCA  
**CAMP JACKSON**

— Reservation information for —  
**GROUPS & EVENTS**

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## **WELCOME!**

A tradition since 1916...YMCA Camp Jackson provides opportunities for people of all ages to experience the great outdoors, learn new skills, make friends and grow spiritually, mentally and physically. Camp Jackson has served thousands annually through youth summer camps, weekend retreats, outdoor environmental education, leadership, team building and family camps. Camp Jackson is available to YMCA, church, school, family retreat, and other non-profit groups.

Please read through this group reservation packet. We encourage group leadership to tour our facility and to discuss your goals prior to confirming your reservation. For additional information, sample schedules or to schedule a camp tour please call us.

If you are ready to confirm your dates, please fill in the group camping agreement form located at the back of this packet and return it to us along with a \$250.00 deposit and a certificate of insurance.

We look forward to serving your group at YMCA Camp Jackson.

Sincerely,

*Douglas Lauritzen*

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Executive Director of Camping  
YMCA of Pueblo



# Our Facilities

## **DINING HALL**

Our new dining hall opened in 2016 and has bathrooms and seats 150 comfortably. Meals are served family style and are served at 8:00 am, 12:00 noon and 5:30 pm. Menus are nutritionally balanced and appetizing, with your group in mind. Special diets and vegetarian menus are available with advanced notice. Groups assist in building their community by helping with setting and cleaning the tables before and after meals.

## **JACKSON LODGE**

Jackson Lodge is a large two level facility. The main level includes an indoor fireplace, rest rooms, camp store, infirmary, meeting room and open area for groups of up to 150. The lower level has two dormitories, for a total housing up to 28 people with bathrooms and showers.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER**

The original Rood Lodge, built in 1923, serves as both environmental center and arts building. All overnight tent camping trips and environmental activities are run out of this building.

## **CAPPORICCI TEEN CENTER**

The Teen Center is a facility that sleeps 32 participants in two wings with eight bunks in each wing. A central meeting space that is furnished with a couch, chairs, and a table joins the wings. A natural rock fireplace is the centerpiece of this beautiful room.

## **CABINS**

There are six winterized cabins that sleep a maximum of 14 participants per cabin in seven sets of bunks (two cabins can house 16 individuals). Camp Jackson can house up to 150 participants in winterized facilities. Bunk beds and mattresses are provided, while participants must bring their own bed linens and towels. Two large shower house facilities are within easy walking distance from the cabins. Groups are responsible for assigning group members to designated cabins.

## **OUTDOOR SPORTS AREA**

YMCA Camp Jackson has a volleyball and frisbee golf area. Archery and riflery ranges are available. Equipment is provided. Camp Jackson staff must supervise archery and riflery activities.

## **CHALLENGE COURSES**

Camp has a team building challenge course, consisting of both high and low elements, that work to improve group communication and leadership skills. Camp staff must be present and lead this activity. All participants must sign a risk waiver to participate in the high elements challenge course.

## **ROCK CLIMBING**

Camp Jackson has eight top rope rock climbing routes bolted, located by Crockett trail. Eastridge camp staff must be present to lead this activity. All participants must sign a risk waiver to participate in rock climbing.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL AREAS**

Camp Jackson has over nine miles of hiking trails as well as San Isabel national Forest hiking trails adjacent to the Camp's property. Mountain vistas and streams complement the grounds. Eight group tent camping sites are arranged throughout camp's property. These areas are also the sites for our outdoor education lessons.

## **CAMPFIRE AREAS**

Camp Jackson has two campfire areas that seat up to 150 people and multiple campfire areas that seat 12-24 people.

## **HORSEBACK RIDING**

Horseback riding is available (seasonal only) to all groups. The minimum number of participants per ride is ten. Each participant must be at least four feet tall, wear long pants, heeled boots and a safety helmet (provided). Trail rides are scheduled at 90 minute intervals with actual riding time being forty five minutes. Corral rides are adult-led rides for younger children. YMCA Camp Jackson trained staff leads each horse activity and no horseback riding experience is necessary. Participants must sign a risk waiver to participate in horseback riding.

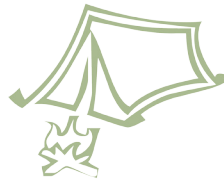
## **CANOEING:**

Canoeing on Lake Beckwith is available to all groups. Trained YMCA Camp Jackson staff and a certified lifeguard is required to lead all canoeing activities. All participants must sign a liability waiver to participate in canoeing.

## **SWIMMING**

The camp pool opens in summer (seasonal only) and is available for group use. The pool can accommodate up to 25 swimmers at a time. This activity must be supervised by a YMCA Camp Jackson lifeguard.

# Reservation Information



## **GROUP CAMPING AGREEMENT**

Reservations are usually made no more than one year in advance of your expected dates of use. All reservations will be considered tentative until the properly executed copy of the Group Camping agreement and the \$250.00 non-refundable deposit is received. Fifty percent of the balance is due thirty (30) days before your group's arrival, and the balance is due upon departure. Please read the group camping policies as you and your group will be responsible for these during your stay.

## **SCHEDULE LOGISTICS**

After signing the Group Camping Agreement and setting a date for your retreat, a tentative schedule should be determined and goals for the retreat established. Two weeks before your arrival, you must contact the Camp Director and finalize your schedule and attendance for meal counts. Cabin assignments and other applicable information will be confirmed at this time.

In order to avoid arrival/departure conflict between groups and to allow time enough for our staff to prepare camp, it is important that your group not arrive before the prearranged time. If possible, the Group Leader or delegate should arrive "shortly" before the group to orient him/herself to the camp and to prepare for the arrival of the group. Camp maps and cabin assignments are typically available for group members. The Group Leader should check-in with the Camp Director upon arrival. The leader should present the Camp Director with an accurate count of all participants, copies of schedules and other prepared materials for the event. Time should be set aside by the Group Leader to review the schedule with the Camp Director.

## **DEPARTURE**

In order to avoid lost articles, the Group Leader should be prepared to check all cabins and buildings used for these "left behind" items. If a group member leaves something behind, it is best to call immediately, as other groups occupy the camp. All YMCA equipment must be returned to its proper storage area or to the Camp Director. Lost or damaged equipment or facility damages will be charged to the group.

All facilities should be left in broom-clean condition. We believe that this helps to instill values and a sense of community in our groups. A check-out sheet is available on cabin doors. Groups leaving the facility in poor condition will be subject to an additional \$250.00 cleaning charge. This will be at the sole discretion of the YMCA unless the Group Leader confirms with the Camp Director and returns the facilities in satisfactory condition prior to departure.

## **MARKETING**

When printing brochures and flyers for your retreat, we prefer you list our camp as YMCA Camp Jackson, Pueblo, Colorado. Please do not list our telephone number with your registration, as we cannot answer questions about your retreat. You may list our telephone number as an emergency contact during the retreat. Please use 719-489-3822.

## **EMERGENCY PROCEDURES**

All groups are responsible for the general first aid needs of their group and transportation to the medical facilities in case of an accident or illness. YMCA Camp Jackson recommends that at least one adult be certified in CPR and First Aid. We suggest that the group bring a general first aid kit with band-aids, cold packs, etc. for the general needs of their participants. The YMCA is not able to supply these general needs.

All group participants must have a health history on file. This includes name and address of participant's emergency telephone numbers, parent authorization to treat at the local hospital and a general health history, listing allergies or health conditions requiring treatment, restriction, or other accommodations while at camp.

In the event of an accident that requires medical treatment, the participant or group leader should notify the Camp Director of the need. The Camp Director can assist in general first aid, CPR, sickness, ice and other general needs.



# Group Rental Fee Schedule



## **DAY USE**

For those persons utilizing the grounds, Jackson Lodge, Rood Lodge, program areas, hiking trails, pavilion or dining hall for any part of a single day, but not overnight:

Per person per day fee: \$15.00

Minimum fee per group per day: \$250.00

## **FACILITIES ONLY**

For groups staying overnight but providing their own meals and programming:

Per person per night fee: \$35.00

Minimum per group per night fee: \$500.00

## **FACILITIES & CATERED**

For groups staying overnight, are providing their own programming, but would like three meals per night:

Per person per night fee: \$50.00

Minimum per group per night fee: \$750.00

## **FACILITIES, CATERED & FULL PROGRAMMING**

For groups who would like Camp Jackson to provide lodging, programming and meals:

Per person per night fee: \$65.00

Minimum per group per night fee: \$1000.00

## **PROGRAMMING ACTIVITIES**

Canoeing at Lake Beckwith (Seasonal)

Horseback riding (Seasonal)

Team building / High and Low challenge course

Rock climbing

Archery / Riflery

Hiking and Night Hikes

Outdoor Education and Environmental Center

Leadership Development

## **NOTES:**

Programming areas are scheduled for 90-minute rotations with 10-16 participants per rotation.

Ropes course activities are a double rotation at three hours to include time for teambuilding and instruction.

Canoeing is a double rotation at three hours to include transportation time.

# YMCA CAMP JACKSON

## *Group Camping Agreement*

Group Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Person Responsible: \_\_\_\_\_ Day Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Best time to call: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe your program purpose and content: \_\_\_\_\_

Arrival Date / Time: \_\_\_\_\_ First meal provided:        B     L     D

Departure Date / Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Last meal provided:        B     L     D

Cost per day/night per person: \_\_\_\_\_ Total number of meals provided: \_\_\_\_\_

Maximum number estimated: \_\_\_\_\_ Total number of nights: \_\_\_\_\_

Minimum number guaranteed: \_\_\_\_\_ Transportation Requested:    Y     N

If yes, pick up time: \_\_\_\_\_ Pick up location: \_\_\_\_\_

### GROUP FEE ESTIMATOR

- Day Use: \$15
- Overnight Use, Facilities Only: \$35
- Overnight Use, Facilities and Catering: \$50
- Overnight Use, Facilities and Programming: \$50
- Overnight Use, Facilities, Catering & Programming: \$65

• Cost per person \$ \_\_\_\_\_ X number of nights \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Cost per person

• Cost per person \$ \_\_\_\_\_ X Minimum # of Attendees \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Group Minimum

• Transportation: \$2.00 / mile X \_\_\_\_\_ miles = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Transportation Fee

• Group minimum \$ \_\_\_\_\_ + Transportation: \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Estimated Total

A non-refundable deposit of \$250.00 is due with this agreement to secure your reservation. The total deposit shall be considered a damage deposit until a final walk-through is made at the end of the group's stay. At that time, if no damages are a result of the group, the deposit shall be considered part of the total fee except in case of cancellation, which results in loss of deposit. The booking fee of 50% is due thirty (30) days prior to your group's arrival and final payment is due on departure. In signing this agreement, I acknowledge I have read and understand both sides of this agreement, have read and understand the "Reservation Information for Groups" packet and that I have shared both with all group members and I am the person duly authorized to bind the organization or group to this agreement. The contracting group agrees to furnish a Certificate of Insurance evidencing their public liability coverage with minimum limits of \$1,000,000.00 combined for bodily injury and property damage and naming the YMCA of Pueblo as an additional insured.

**To be returned with signed contract:** \$250.00 Non-refundable deposit & Certificate of Insurance

Group Authorized Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_

# YMCA CAMP JACKSON

## Group Camping Policies

1. YMCA Camp Jackson or the YMCA of Pueblo assumes no responsibility for personal property.
2. The YMCA shall maintain a current license to operate a camp in the state of Colorado. The YMCA will further maintain liability insurance coverage normal in the operation of a resident camp. The YMCA will not provide individual participant health and accident insurance, including sickness and related prescription medication.
3. The contracting group is responsible for health care, first aid, emergency care and emergency transportation of their participants. All medication is required to be locked up.
4. The contracting group's deposit will act as a damage fee to cover breakage, loss of equipment and defacing of property caused during occupancy. Groups are to leave the facility in broom clean condition at the end of their stay. A fee of \$250.00 will be charged to the contracting group if not in reasonably clean condition.
5. Pets, firearms, alcoholic beverages, tobacco products, chain saws, ATV's, fireworks and flammable materials are prohibited. Any group bringing or possessing these items will forfeit their deposit and/or be fined a minimum of \$250.00. YMCA vehicles may not be used to transport participants except in case of an emergency.
6. The contracting group will be responsible for the total payment of fees of the minimum number guaranteed, however, 10% variance will be allowed for estimation error. Groups will be responsible for 50% of payment of those not falling within the 10% allowance. (Example: Guaranteed 100 people, 60 attended. 100 less 10% is 90...therefore, the contracting group must pay for 60 people at full price and 30 people at 50%.) If group exceeds maximum estimated please contact the Camp Director for further information.
7. The contracting group will be responsible for payment in full if cancellation is made one month or less prior to scheduled date of attendance. (Acts of God are taken into consideration: snow, fires, death, etc. If such circumstances occur, both parties shall cooperate to reschedule arrival date.)
8. The YMCA reserves the right to cancel this contract if the camp becomes substantially inoperable due to fire or other natural or accidental causes.
9. The Camp Director shall designate use of buildings, facilities and grounds. The decision of the YMCA Camp Director will be final.
10. All program and facility usage ends after the group's final meal. Additional usage is available for additional charge. Contact the Camp Director for details.
11. All program and facility arrangements must be completed two weeks before arrival date.
12. The full responsibility for the supervision of all individuals in attendance is carried by the Group Leaders and designates. The YMCA assumes no responsibility for the conduct of group members in general, but does reserve the right to deny access of participation in an activity by individuals who, in the sole opinion of the YMCA, may be conducting themselves in such a way as to compromise either the safety or full enjoyment of the activities by others. The YMCA requires youth groups to provide an adult to youth ration of 1:5 for youth under the age of 5, 1:6 for youth ages 6-8, 1:8 for youth 9-14, and 1:10 for those ages 15-18. The only exception to this may be when campers are sleeping and the ration may be 1:12 for all ages. Two adults are required during all horseback riding, canoeing, high ropes course, rock climbing, swimming, hiking and overnight camp out activities. Any supervisor is required to be at least sixteen years old and be at least four years older than the group with whom they are working with. At least 80% of the staff need to be eighteen years or older. All staff shall be advised that at no time should there be a 1:1 ratio with campers and staff when out of line of sight of others.
13. All minors under the age of 18 must have names and addresses of all participants, a properly signed emergency medical treatment form, emergency contact names & phone numbers, and a health history form including: allergies, health conditions, restrictions and other accommodations while at camp. These forms are available from the camp office.
14. The group listed on the reverse side of this sheet agrees to hold harmless the YMCA of Pueblo, Colorado, YMCA Camp Jackson, its agents and employees, for all claims alleging bodily injury, including death or property damage occurring while the undersigned uses facilities owned or rented by the YMCA or is a participant in an activity sponsored by the YMCA. The group listed on the reverse side of this sheet does not hold the YMCA from any liability or injury arising out of negligence of the YMCA.
15. The contracting group agrees to furnish a Certificate of Insurance evidencing their public liability coverage with minimum limits of \$1,000,000.00 combined for bodily injury and property damage and naming the YMCA of Pueblo as an additional insured.