

2026 Summer Activities Registration Form

SUMMER ACTIVITIES BEGIN ON MONDAY, JUNE 1ST, 2026 !!!

PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED FORMS BY THE DEADLINE DATE BELOW WITH TOTAL FEE PAYMENT (checks made out to District #553) TO THE DISTRICT OFFICE SO THAT WE HAVE TIME TO COORDINATE STAFF FOR YOUR CHILD'S ACTIVITIES!!

*** Deadline Date: ***

Wednesday, May 20th

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY:

Please **return completed form with all fees due** to the District Office (checks made out to District #553) **by the date above.**

REFUNDS will only be given if something is cancelled due to low numbers so please fill out the forms carefully and write the activities on your calendar so your child doesn't miss them! There will be **NO REFUNDS** given if your child decides he/she doesn't want to participate in what he/she signed up for or if you miss bringing your child to the activity. Staff is hired and paid for based on the number of participants who register by the deadline. **Please note:** All activities are subject to cancellation if registration is too low.

THANK YOU !!

! IMPORTANT: PLEASE SEND A SEPARATE REGISTRATION FORM FOR EACH CHILD AND KEEP THE REST OF THIS BROCHURE FOR YOUR INFORMATION, THANK YOU !

My child has my permission to participate in Summer Activities and Trips as designated in this registration. This also includes activities that involve walking to area parks, etc., weather permitting, to do a part of their project. I also give permission for my child to receive emergency care/treatment should such a need arise. I understand that such care will be provided by the nearest emergency care provider/facility.

Remind APP
Check each
activity for code.

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY WITH A PEN!

When signing up for an activity by the **DEADLINE** date, order a **FREE t-shirt** for your child on the next page, donated by Magnifi Financial Credit Union.

Child's Name _____

Age _____ Grade Entering Next School Year _____

Parent/Guardian's Printed Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home/Cell Phone # _____ Other Phone # _____

Allergy Info That May Affect Activities _____ Put 'X' If You Opt Out of Candid Photos _____

Email address _____

(to provide you with updates)

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

DON'T FORGET THE SECOND PAGE OF THIS FORM !!!

Please remember to write down the activities that your child is registered for so that you don't forget to send your child on the right day and at the right time !!

2026 Summer Activities Registration Form (cont.)

Please complete sections A through D and return with your payment (checks made payable to District #553) by the deadline date on the first page of this brochure. Keep the rest of the brochure for your information. **REFUNDS** will only be given if something is cancelled due to low numbers. There will be **NO REFUNDS** given if your child decides he/she doesn't want to participate in what he/she signed up for or if you miss bringing your child to the activity. Please turn in registration early as staff is hired based on the number of participants who register by the deadline date.

~ ~ Please record the activities in your calendar so you don't miss them! ~ ~

Order your T-shirt here!



~ Donated by Magnifi Financial Credit Union (if ordered by deadline date) ~
(Design may differ each year.)

Section "A" = Summer T-Shirt

The t-shirts will be FREE for children signing up for activities by the DEADLINE DATE as they are being donated by Magnifi Financial Credit Union in New York Mills for our Summer Activities!! Designs may differ from previous years. Please indicate the size that your child needs. There are more forms available in the District Office, if needed. Shirts will be handed out on Picture Day. If your child doesn't bring his/her shirt home, please come and pick it up in the District Office, sometimes they don't know that you ordered one for them.

**** If your registration is not turned in by the DEADLINE DATE on the first page, a shirt will not be ordered for your child, however, you can call**

AP Printing to order and PAY for one on your own. **

Youth Xtra Small	_____	Adult Small	_____
Youth Small	_____	Adult Medium	_____
Youth Medium	_____	Adult Large	_____
Youth Large	_____	Adult X-Large	_____

FREE

Section "B" = Summer Recreation Activities

**** Please write your name behind any activity that you would be willing to volunteer to help with or talk with the Summer Recreation Coordinator. It's very much appreciated!!! ****

Fees for each activity in section "B" appear to the right of that activity. In this section only, there is a maximum of \$135 for a family of two or more and a maximum of \$90 if there is only one participating child in the family. These fees are used to provide supplies, coaches, supervision and transportation to games. REMEMBER, sign up using the grade your child will be entering into next fall!! We will not exclude any child from participation in Summer Recreation Activities due to an inability to pay the fees. If the Summer Recreation Activities fees cause a hardship for your family, please contact the District Office to apply for a waiver.



- ___ Baseball Junior League (entering 3rd, 4th grade) \$ 50
- ___ Baseball Minor League (entering 5th, 6th grade) \$ 50
- ___ Baseball Major League (entering 7th, 8th grade) \$ 50
- ___ Recreational Games (eligible for Kindergarten through entering 2nd grade) \$ 35
- ___ Recreational Games (entering 3rd through 6th grade) \$ 35
- ___ Softball Junior League (entering 3rd, 4th grade) \$ 50
- ___ Softball Minor League (entering 5th, 6th grade) \$ 50
- ___ Softball Major League (entering 7th, 8th grade) \$ 50
- ___ T-Ball (eligible for Kindergarten through entering 2nd grade) \$ 35

Section "B" Subtotal \$ _____

Section "C" = Summer Boys and Girls Basketball Camps

- ___ Elite Skills Basketball Camp (entering 7th through 12th grade) \$ 60
T-shirt size, circle one -- YS YM YL AS AM AL
- ___ Elite Skills Basketball Camp (entering 1st through 6th grade) \$ 40
T-shirt size, circle one -- YS YM YL AS AM AL

Section "C" Subtotal \$ _____

Section "D" = Summer Enrichment Activities

- ___ B.L.A.S.T. - Babysitter's Lessons and Safety Training (11 years old or older) \$ 30
- ___ Art in 'YOUR' Parks (K through entering 7th grade) \$ FREE
- ___ Summer Theatre/Puppet Pageant (ages 5 years old through adult, \$100 family max) \$ 50

Section "D" Subtotal \$ _____

Total Fees Due from Sections A B C & D = \$ _____

OFFICE USE ONLY:
 Amt Rec'd: \$ _____
 Pmt Form: _____
 Date: _____
 Rec'd By: _____

NYM Summer Activities

Basic Information

Dear Students and Parents,

This packet contains descriptions of the activities that will be offered this summer through the New York Mills Summer Recreation and Activities Program. Efforts have been made to provide a well-rounded schedule of activities. Please read carefully and select the activities in which your child wishes to participate. **Complete the registration form at the front of this brochure and turn in to the District Office with total fees due by the date on the first page.** Keep the rest of the brochure for your information. Please note the following:

1. On rainy days, baseball and softball will be moved inside. All other activities will be cancelled for that day. No bats will be used but we will be working on catching and base skills. Please bring GLOVES and COURT SHOES on these days. Street shoes WILL NOT be allowed on the Sports Center Gym or the High School Gym floors.
2. Please provide your email address on the registration form to help us stay in touch with you regarding activities. Also our Summer Recreation Coordinator will share information with you through the Remind App to keep you updated on your child/children's activities, as well. Please use the code that is listed next to each activity. You may also get information on our Summer Recreation Facebook page as well as the NYM School Facebook page.
3. Please notice when a grade level is referred to, it means the grade that the student will be entering next fall. For example, "3rd through 8th" means students who will be in third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh or eighth grades the next school year.
4. We have made every effort to schedule activities so that children will not have to make a choice between activities. However, some activities may overlap on some days. For example, a child would be able to participate in baseball/softball and an enrichment class if he/she chooses to do so. Please read the list carefully, select what your child would like to do, and then make a schedule for yourselves.
5. Summer Activities are offered to provide basic skill development and a summer of **FUN!** Participants are encouraged to try all aspects of the activity they have registered for and are not evaluated on their abilities. All children will have the opportunity to participate.
6. Community Education advertises summer activities sponsored by other agencies and community groups. Information on these activities is included in this brochure for your convenience. Please send those registrations where it states to send them and contact each sponsor as indicated in descriptions for participation information.
7. Each activity requires a minimum number of participants. Activities may be cancelled if there is insufficient registration.
8. The school district reserves the right to dismiss a participant if he/she is disrupting any activity.
9. Return your completed registration form (**one form for each child in the family**) with a check made out to District #553 (**may write one check per family**) to the District Office or mail it to Community Education, PO Box 218, New York Mills, MN 56567, before the due date on the first page. Keep the rest of the brochure for your information.
10. **Summer Activities t-shirts will be FREE THIS YEAR** for everyone in an activity as they are being donated by the **Magnifi Financial Credit Union** in New York Mills, **if one is ordered by the deadline date.** If not ordered by deadline date, you can **call AP Printing to order and pay for one on your own.** T-shirts may differ from year to year. Fill out the registration form on the following pages of this brochure and return to the District Office along with all payments due, by the deadline date on the first page of this brochure. We plan to hand out the t-shirts on Picture Day. If your child doesn't bring one home, please check in the District Office.
11. **REFUNDS** will only be given if something is cancelled due to low numbers. There will be **NO REFUNDS** given if your child decides he/she doesn't want to participate in what he/she signed up for or if you miss bringing your child to the activity. Staff is hired based on the number of participants who register.
12. Please write the activities on your calendar so you don't miss them!

Girls Junior League – entering 3rd and 4th grades

- 5 inning games or no inning starts after 45 minutes
- 10 batters or 3 outs
- Runners cannot lead off until the ball has been hit
- 60 ft. bases
- 10 players with 4 outfielders
- 11" softball

Girls Minor League – entering 5th and 6th grades

- 5 inning games or no inning starts after 45 minutes
- 10 batters or 3 outs
- Runners cannot lead off until the ball has been hit
- 60 ft. bases
- 10 players with 4 outfielders
- 11" softball

Girls Major League – entering 7th and 8th grades

- 5 inning games or no inning starts after 75 minutes
- Batter will start with 1-1 count
- Can steal 2nd and 3rd base after the pitch is released
- 5 run maximum per inning
- Coach will come in and pitch on a walk
 - Batter will go back to 1 strike
 - No stealing or leading off on coach pitch
- 60 ft bases, 40 ft pitching distance
- 10 players with 4 outfielders
- Metal cleats are allowed

Boys Junior League – entering 3rd and 4th grades

- 5 inning games or no inning starts after 45 minutes
- 10 batter or 3 outs
- Runners cannot lead off until the ball has been hit
- 60 ft bases, 40 ft pitching distance
- 10 players with 4 outfielders

Boys Minor League – entering 5th and 6th grades

- 5 inning games or no inning starts after 75 minutes
- Batter will start with 1-1 count
- Can steal 2nd and 3rd base after pitch crosses home plate
- 5 run maximum per inning
- Coach will come in and pitch on a walk
 - Batter will go back to 1 strike
 - No stealing on coach pitch
- 60 ft bases, 54 ft pitching distance
- 10 players with 4 outfielders
- Metal cleats are allowed

Boys Major League – entering 7th and 8th grades

- 5 inning games or no inning starts after 75 minutes
- Batter will start with 1-1 count
- Can steal 2nd and 3rd base after ball crosses home plate
- 5 run maximum per inning
- 60 ft bases, 54 ft pitching distance
- 10 players with 4 outfielders
- Metal cleats are allowed

We hope you have a great summer and that your participation in the Summer Recreation and Activities Program will be a positive experience.

Deb Baune
Community Education Assistant

Alicia Page
Summer Recreation Coordinator

Adam Johnson, Superintendent
Community Education Director

"Come Play with Us"



Summer Recreation and Enrichment Activities



Summer Recreation Activities **begin on Monday, June 1st**, and will be **ending Thursday, July 9th, 2026**. On the **first day of activities, participants will meet in the Lund Park Shelter**. Remember to sign up using the **grade your child will be entering next fall** in school. Please provide your email on the registration page of this brochure to receive updates on activities, weather, etc. Also the **Remind APP code** is listed next to your activity below.



SPECIAL NOTE: Please be aware that due to different projects going on in the school over the summer, some of the activities may have to be moved or cancelled if the designated spaces are not available.

T-BALL (Kdg eligible through entering 2nd grade) - Text Remind APP code @k-2tball to #81010



T-Ball is an introduction to the games of baseball and softball. Kids will have fun hitting a ball off of the tee and running the bases. No metal bats will be allowed. All boys and girls who will be 5 years old by 9-1-26 through entering second grade can participate in this activity. We will start on Monday, June 1st, and meet in the Lund Park Shelter at 9:00 a.m. T-Ball will be held Mondays and Wednesdays from 9:00 – 10:15 a.m. Participants will play on the fields north of the high school. **If it is raining, T-Ball will be cancelled for that day. The last day of T-Ball will be on Wednesday, July 1st, which may be a tournament/scrimmage.**

BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL - Text Remind APP code below to #81010

The first day of practice this year will be Monday, June 1st. Please meet in the Lund Park Shelter at 9:00 a.m. to kick things off. All GAMES will start at 8:30 a.m. unless stated differently below. For away games, the bus will leave the school at 7:45 a.m., so please be on time. The week of July 6th – 9th will be tournament week. **If it is raining on game days, watch for an email or information sent using the Remind App. If raining on practice days, practice will be indoors.** Remember this is the grade that the child will be in during the next school year!



There are **three** age groups for **BASEBALL**:
Junior League @**bbjunior34** – entering 3rd and 4th grade
Minor League @**bbminor56** – entering 5th and 6th grade
Major League @**bbmajor78** – entering 7th and 8th grade

There are **three** age groups for **SOFTBALL**:
Junior League @**sbjunior34** – entering 3rd and 4th grade
Minor League @**sbminor56** – entering 5th and 6th grade
Major League @**sbmajor78** – entering 7th and 8th grade



The regular **PRACTICE SCHEDULE** is from 9:00 – 10:15 a.m. on: June 1, 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24, 29, July 1

PICTURE DAY is Wednesday, June 10th at 9:00 a.m. through Caulfield Studio. We will plan to hand out the t-shirts this day.

The **GAME SCHEDULE** is as follows but subject to change:

Thursday, June 4th w/WDC 1
Tuesday, June 9th w/Parkers Prairie
Thursday, June 11th @ Henning
Tuesday, June 16th @ Bertha-Hewitt
Thursday, June 18th @ WDC 2
Tuesday, June 23rd w/Battle Lake
Thursday, June 25th w/Verndale
Tuesday, June 30th @ WDC 1

JULY 6TH THROUGH 9TH IS TOURNAMENT WEEK

Schedule will be given to players. Tentative schedule is as follows:

MONDAY: Boys Junior League @ NY Mills and Girls Junior League @ Wadena
TUESDAY: Girls Minor League @ Henning and Boys Minor League @ NY Mills
WEDNESDAY: Boys Major League @ Wadena
THURSDAY: Girls Major League @ NY Mills



RECREATIONAL GAMES (Kindergarten eligible through entering 2nd grade)

All boys and girls who will be 5 years old by 9-1-26 through second grade can participate in these activities. We will start on Monday, June 1st. Participants will play such games as kick ball, line soccer, croquet, etc. Recreational Games will be held on Mondays and Wednesdays from 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Participants will play on the fields north of the high school. **If it is raining, Rec Games will be cancelled for that day. The last day of Recreational Games will be held on the school playground on Wednesday, July 1st.**

RECREATIONAL GAMES (entering 3rd through 6th grade)

All boys and girls who will be entering third through sixth grade can participate in these activities. We will start on Monday, June 1st. Participants will play such games as flag football, croquet, badminton, soccer, street hockey, etc. Recreational Games will be held on Mondays and Wednesdays from 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Participants will play on the fields north of the high school. **If it is raining, Rec Games will be cancelled for that day. The last day of Recreational Games will be held on the school playground on Wednesday, July 1st.**



NYM Summer Food Service Program = FRIENDS, FUN and FOOD

WHERE: New York Mills Public School Cafeteria
WHEN: **Starting** Monday, June 1st through Thursday, August 20th, 2026
 (Monday - Thursday each week)
WHO: Children ages 18 and younger are **FREE** (Adults can purchase meals)
TIME: **Breakfast** – 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. ~ **and** ~ **Lunch** – 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.



Summer meals are available to all kids aged 18 and younger at no cost. Our friends and neighbors (18 and younger) from other towns can also eat at no charge. Adults can also eat at a cost of \$4.00 for breakfast and \$6.00 for lunch. Meals can be purchased in the District Office. *The USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.*



Food That's In...When School is Out!

BOYS AND GIRLS BASKETBALL CAMPS

Contact Jason Boe with any questions regarding these camps at jboe@nymills.k12.mn.us or 218-639-4942.

ELITE SKILLS BASKETBALL CAMP (boys and girls entering 1st through 12th grade)

What: This is a fundamental camp, with emphasis on footwork, ball-handling, and shooting form. With a focus on skills taught by former high school coaches who provide players with individual skills and drills, this will be sure to elevate your game. We offer the flexibility to adjust our camp to accommodate the request of each coach/program. Coaches Mike Hoganson and Robb Flint are former head coaches at Detroit Lakes High School with 28 years of head coaching experience, 438 wins, 4 state tournament appearances, and 5 section coach of the year awards. They share a passion for teaching kids with different abilities coming from 30 years of experience in physical education and classroom instruction at the elementary level.

When: June 8th-11th, Monday through Thursday
Who/Cost/Times: Session one 7th-12th grades \$60 includes t-shirt, from 1:00-3:00pm
 Session two 1st-6th grades \$40 includes t-shirt, from 3:00-4:30pm

Where: New York Mills High School



B.L.A.S.T. – BABYSITTER’S LESSONS AND SAFETY TRAINING

Would you like to be the best babysitter you can be and make it fun and exciting for you and the children? Come and Learn How!!

The New York Mills Community Education in conjunction with American Heart Association (AHA) and American Academy of Pediatrics is offering a class for you to learn the basics that you need to know when babysitting for children. For many pre-teens and teens planning on picking up jobs during the summer months, babysitting is one way to earn some extra cash. The American Heart Association offers this course to help individuals, 11 years of age and older, prepare for the responsibility of babysitting. You will learn how to interview for babysitting jobs, care for infants through school-age children, select safe and suitable games and activities, prevent accidents, and perform tasks such as diapering, preparing simple meals, and dressing. With safety as the utmost important factor, you will learn how to handle emergencies, learn basic first aid and focus on the safe care of infants and children. Handouts will be provided. Class size is limited, however, we must have at least 10 students to hold the class so tell your friends!! Sign up from this brochure or in the District Office. If you have questions, please call the Community Education office @ (218) 385-4203.

Instructor: Mary Johnson, AHA Certified
Date: Monday, August 3rd, 2026
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. (Bring lunch or you are invited to eat the **FREE** school lunch!)
Place: Room #108 (Room may change due to school cleaning schedule.)
Cost: \$30/person (Payment is due when signing up!!)



NEW YORK MILLS REGIONAL CULTURAL CENTER

The following Summer Enrichment Activities are offered by the Cultural Center, which is supported by the Minnesota State Arts Board, Lake Region Arts Council, McKnight Foundation, City of New York Mills, NYM Lions Club, NYM Civic & Commerce, and many generous business and individual donors and members. **Please sign up on the front registration page for Art in Your Parks and Kalevala Puppet Pageant.**



ART IN ‘YOUR’ PARKS - NYMRCC’s Art in Your Park brings creativity into the heart of our communities each summer. Join us for free, hands-on art workshops in parks throughout New York Mills, Wadena, and Henning, designed for youth in grades K–6. **Children under the age of 8 need to be accompanied by an adult or guardian.** This season’s workshops will explore a quick **History of Western Art**, highlighting art styles from Prehistory through the 1980s. Free to attend; donations gratefully accepted to make this program possible for all. Check www.kulcher.org or follow us on Facebook for the latest schedule and weather updates. Call 218-385-3339 or email Avery Perala (avery@kulcher.org) for details, questions, or to volunteer or donate. With a more consistent schedule this year, families can easily build art into their summer routines! Sessions held **weekly on Wednesdays from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.** during the months of June and July.

- June 3rd: **NYM Lund Park** - Prehistoric Cave Paintings
- June 10th: **NYM Central Park** - Mixed Media Viking Cats
- June 17th: **NYM Smith Park** - Medieval Creatures Drawing Game
- June 24th: **NYM Lund Park** - Renaissance: da Vinci Flying Machines
- July 1st: **NYM Central Park** - Self Portraits and Pets, inspired by Frida Kahlo
- July 8th: **Henning Landmark Center** - Ceramic Tree of Life Ornaments and Metal Embossed Ornaments, inspired by Gustav Klimt
- July 15th: **Green Island (Wadena)** - Environmental Art inspired by Andy Goldsworthy
- July 22nd: **Wadena Library** - Mixed Media Dinosaurs, inspired by Jean-Michel Basquiat
- July 29th: **Henning Landmark Center** - *Painting projects from July 8th*



SUMMER THEATER: KALEVALA PUPPET PAGEANT - Step into a world of giants, heroes, and Finnish folklore! The **Kalevala Puppet Pageant** is a one-of-a-kind, large-scale community theater experience where participants actively bring stories from the Finnish epic *Kalevala* to life. Over two weeks, youth and adults work side by side to create giant puppets, costumes, and props, while exploring movement, music, and performance, guided by Creative Director and professional puppeteer Anne Sawyer (Art Start, In the Heart of the Beast Theatre, Minneapolis). Participants ages 8+ can even learn stilt walking as part of the experience. From first sketch to final performance, everyone plays a part in this magical outdoor production, culminating in two public performances.

Registration: Register on the front page of this brochure. Final schedules and details will be shared via email before the program begins; updates will also be available at kulcher.org or by calling 218-385-3339.

Cost: Thanks to strong community support, families pay just \$50 per child (\$100 family max) for a program that costs approximately \$300 per participant. **Teens and adults are free** to encourage broad community involvement. We are committed to **access for all**—scholarships are available, and volunteer support is always welcome in place of tuition.

- **Workshop Dates:** August 10-14 & 17-21 (weekday workshops)
- **Performances:** Fri, Aug 21 (NYM VFW) & Sat, Aug 22 (Finn Creek Festival)
- **Ages:** 5–adult (under 8 with adult or older sibling)
- **Cost:** \$50/child (\$100 family max); free for teens & adults; scholarships available
- **Workshop Location:** The Barn, NYM Sculpture Park



2026 YOUTH SUMMER ART CAMPS

Announcing Our First-Ever Summer Art Camps! Join us for a fun and creative summer at the Cultural Center! Our Summer Art Camp Series features **five themed camps** designed to spark imagination, build skills, and inspire young artists. Each camp explores a unique theme while introducing a variety of art techniques including drawing, painting, sculpture, collage, and mixed media—all in a supportive, creative environment. Each camp runs Monday - Thursday, 3 hours per day, with age-appropriate, skill-building projects in a small group setting. Campers will explore a variety of techniques and complete multiple artworks to take home. A daily snack break is included, with snacks and water provided. These camps are designed to build creative confidence, develop artistic techniques, encourage problem-solving, and provide a welcoming space for self-expression. All camps are taught by Megan Shirley-Ross, Artistic Director of NYMRCC, a practicing visual artist with over 10 years of teaching experience.

Camp 1: Fish + Folk Art

July 6–9 | 9:00 AM–12:00 PM | Ages 6+

Inspired by folk art traditions, campers will create colorful fish, folksy flowers, and mixed-media art.

Camp 2: Colorful Horizons

July 13–16 | 1:00–4:00 PM | Ages 8+

Explore bold landscapes and vibrant colors inspired by famous artists.

Camp 3: Art of Ancient Greece

July 20–23 | 9:00 AM–12:00 PM | Ages 6+

Create mosaics, sculptures, and myth-inspired artwork.

Camp 4: Dream Builders: Architecture + Design

July 27–30 | 1:00–4:00 PM | Ages 8+

Design and build creative spaces with special guest inspiration.

Camp 5: Pets!

August 3–6 | 9:00 AM–12:00 PM | Ages 6+

Create fun, animal-inspired artwork including cats, dogs, and more.

Spots are limited—register early!

For **REGISTRATION** & details, scan QR code or visit our website <https://kulcher.org/2026-summer-art-camps>



DON'T MISS THESE SPRING AND SUMMER COMMUNITY EVENTS!

Celebrating Cultures – Wednesday, May 20 | 4–7 PM | NYM Sculpture Park

Join us for a **free, family-friendly** evening of global culture, music, food, and hands-on fun at the Sculpture Park. In partnership with Nijii Radio—everyone is welcome!

Great American Think-Off

Kick-Off Reception – Friday, June 12 | 5-8pm | NYMRCC

Enjoy food trucks, meet the Think-Off finalists, view the Regional Art Show, and hear Artist Talks at 7pm.

Live Debate – Saturday, June 13 | 7 PM (NYM School Auditorium)

Experience this nationally recognized philosophy event, plus a post-debate reception at the Cultural Center.

Fish House Festival – Friday, July 10 | 10 AM–4 PM | NYMRCC + Main Avenue Celebrate creativity at this free, all-ages festival with activities indoors and out—part of Lund Mania festivities! This year features a special Lund History exhibit in our gallery.



SUMMER BOWLING

Please call Mills Lanes at (218) 385-3691 and inquire about their summer student bowling specials.

**** THE ACTIVITIES BEYOND THIS POINT ARE ADDED TO THIS BROCHURE FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE. ****

****PLEASE RETURN THEM TO WHERE EACH ONE SPECIFIES. ****

4-H ACTIVITIES

4-H CHILDREN'S GARDEN: Birds, Butterflies and Blooms

Young gardeners will plan, plant, care for, and harvest a garden plot at the Perham Fairgrounds. Taught by U of M Master Gardeners, Extension Staff, & garden experts, gardeners will learn about plant science, nutrition, the environment & more!

Meeting Dates: Tuesday, May 26th, 5:30-7:00 (planting day)- parents encouraged to attend. Other meeting dates are on Tuesdays, June 2, 16, 30 July 7, 14, 28, August 4; 9:30 am-noon

Location: Perham Fairgrounds (455 4th St SE, Perham, MN 56573)

Who: Youth completing 1st-6th Grade

Cost: \$25 per child with a \$50 max/family (make checks payable to 4-H Children's Garden) (Waiver fee is available)

To register, send [completed form](#) and payment to PO Box 250 New York Mills, MN 56567 by May 1st.



Here are 2 different forms, one in English and one in Spanish, that will need to be printed off and mailed or dropped off at the office along with payment as well.

<https://z.umn.edu/b6c2> (English)

<https://z.umn.edu/b6c6> (Spanish)

4-H JUNIOR SUMMER CAMP AT FAITH HAVEN: Campers will experience a traditional overnight camp, including games, songs, crafts, educational programs, a reflective campfire and more! Teen counselors will lead campers in activities that allow them to gain knowledge and develop social skills while meeting new friends. 4-H staff and high-school-aged camp counselors are prepared and ready to deliver an exciting overnight camp for you!

When: June 11-12, 2026

Where: Faith Haven Camp in Battle Lake, Mn 56515 (38360 N Eagle lake Rd, Battle Lake, MN 56515)

Who: Youth completing 1st-6th Grade

Cost: \$120 (Check with your local program for any scholarships)

Registration: Register through the 4-H Online Events page (mn.4honline.com) by May 1st, 2026

Questions: Contact Rachel Wahlstrom, Extension Educator, jon12246@umn.edu, 218-998-8762 or contact your local educator

For more information about camp and how to register, see z.umn.edu/JuniorCamp

TRINITY PRESCHOOL

Hello parents/grandparents/guardians of children 33 months to 5 years old by May 1st, 2026. If you are thinking preschool for your child, we have a Christian atmosphere, lots of fun activities that we do during the summer and school year, lots of play time, inside and outside, making new friends, and so much more. If you have any questions about preschool, Bev would love to hear from you. Give her a call, text, or email and she will give you the information. Hope to hear from you soon. Located at: 424 E. Gilman Street, NYM. Bev Witt – Preschool Director, bev.witt@nymtrinity.org. Preschool office @ 218-579-0845 or Church office @ 218-385-2450. Thank you!

SUMMER BAND OPPORTUNITIES

Again this year, **FREE** once per week, **Summer Band Lessons!** These are a great opportunity for getting a head start on next school year, learning a new instrument and maintaining practice habits. The dates are every week starting June 15th through week of August 3rd. Sign up by Memorial Day, May 25th, 2026, using this QR code:



5th Grade Band Camp: July 13th-17th. Sign up by Memorial Day: May 25th, 2026, using this QR code:



SUMMER PROGRAMS

2026

NATURE NUTS

Tuesdays June 16 - Aug 4
attend one or all!
at Blacks Grove Park, Wadena
1:30pm - 3pm
Ages 5-8

WILD AT ART

Mondays - June 22, July 20, Aug 10
attend one or all!
at Blacks Grove Park, Wadena
1:30-3:30pm
Ages 8-12

BUSHCRAFT KIDS

Mondays - June 15, 29, Jul 13
attend one or all!
at Blacks Grove Park, Wadena
1:30-3:30pm
Ages 8-12

SPROUTS

Fridays : June 12 - August 14*
Main Campus, NYM
10 - 11:30 am
Walking Toddlers - Age 4
with a Caregiver

*no class 6/19 or 7/3

ADVENTURERS

Wednesdays June 10 - Aug 12
10:15am - 3:15pm
Ages 6 - 10
at Glendalough State Park

Bussing available from NYM, Perham, + Ottertail!

ADVENTURE CAMPS

Boys: Dates TBD
Girls: August 17-20
at Glendalough State Park
Ages 8-12
M/T - 9am-3pm
W/Th - Overnight Experience!

learn more + enroll on our website www.rwfsmn.org

NYM Summer Childcare Program 2026



The deadline is May 22nd, 2026, to save your child/children's places.

Starting Date: Monday, June 1st **End Date:** Thursday, August 20th
Monday-Thursday 6:00 am - 5:15 pm. [No Fridays]

Childcare Coordinator: Marissa Witt

Email Address: mwitt@nymills.k12.mn.us or childcare@nymills.k12.mn.us

Childcare Phone: (218) 385-4209

ADDRESS: NYM Childcare, Independent School District #553, 209 Hayes St., PO Box 218, New York Mills, MN 56567

PLEASE READ VERY CAREFULLY

WHO QUALIFIES TO USE: Children who are 4 years of age (have to be enrolled in NYM Pre-K) through going into 6th grade this coming Fall and enrolled in the New York Mills School District. If your child is going into 7th grade this fall, they do not qualify.

DATES and TIMES: Starting Monday, June 1st through Thursday, August 20th, 2026. Monday through Thursday, from 6:00 a.m. - 5:15 p.m.

COST and BILLING:

- \$4.00 per hour per child. There will be a flat fee of 1 hour. Time will be calculated to the nearest 15 minutes.
- If child/children are not picked up by 5:15 p.m., you will be charged a late fee of \$10.00 per child for every 5 minutes you are late. This is enforced STARTING AT 5:16 P.M.!
- Billing will be sent out around the 30th of each month. Please make checks payable to District #553-Childcare. Checks should be turned into the District Office. You can also turn the check into me and I can deliver it to the District Office.
- If payment is not received by the next billing period, there will be a surcharge of \$25.00. In addition, if payment is not paid by the 2nd billing period, your child will not be able to attend childcare until the bill is paid in full. Also, your summer bill will have to be paid in full before you can attend childcare in the Fall of 2026.

CALENDARS:

- **IMPORTANT:** We need monthly schedules/calendars from every family attending Childcare. On the schedule/calendar we need drop off and pick up times, activities the child/children are involved in during the month (date and times), and days of the week they are attending childcare. We need to know this information before they can come to childcare. Calendars are located in the black file holder on the sign in/out table in the childcare room.
- If your child/children are scheduled to come to childcare and then you have a change in schedule, you need to call the Childcare number or let me know. We need to know for staffing reasons. If your child/children does not show up and we have **no prior notice**, you will be charged \$25.00 that day for each child because this is marked as a 'No Show/No Call'.

MEALS: There will be free breakfast, lunch, and a snack during the summer program. If your child/children would like to bring their own snack instead of having the snack we offered, that is accepted. The snack that they bring is for them, not other children. The Summer Food Program ends August 14th. We will provide breakfast and snacks for the last week, August 17th-20th. We will serve breakfast from 7:30-8:30 a.m. Lunch **will not** be provided. Please provide lunch for your child/children for that last week. If there is anyone who has food allergies, please let me know.

CLOSED ON THESE DAYS: If during the summer there is some large activity for the community or the school is being used, we will cancel for that day. We will also provide a notice before. As soon as we know, you will be notified.

SOME SPECIFICS:

- **ILLNESS** - If your child is sick, they **cannot** come to Childcare and have to be symptom free for 24 hours. We will call you if you send a sick child to Childcare.
- **CLOTHING** - Dress children appropriately. We spend time outside in the mornings and sometimes it is cooler out. Please bring any other items they may need for Summer Recreation/Activities. Children also need to bring a backpack and water bottle with their name on **everything** that they bring from home so we are not guessing what belongs to whom.
- **WATER BOTTLE** - We are very active in the summer, so please provide a water bottle for your child with their name on it. There is a water bottle refill station in the hallway that they can use to fill their water bottles.
- **POOL** - We go to the pool every day, weather permitting. They will need sunscreen, swimsuit, towel, flip flops or crocs and a pool pass which is \$150 for family, \$65 for individual or \$4.00 each time, which the child will be in charge of. Tentative to change. It is easier having a pool pass then there is no money to worry about. Please label these items, also.
- **SHOES or SANDALS** - Footwear is a **MUST** at all times. It is a good idea to have tennis shoes daily for outside play. For the pool you may want to have flip flops, crocs or sandals; they are easier to get on when you are wet.
- **WEATHER** - Remember if it is raining in the morning, it might be sunny in the afternoon. Children need to be prepared for daily activities.
- **SUMMER RECREATION/ACTIVITIES** - If your child is signed up for an activity, they will attend unless we have a verbal or written statement from the parent saying otherwise.
- **TOYS** - We ask that children **DO NOT** bring toys or collective cards from home. Staff is not responsible for lost or stolen items.
- **ELECTRONICS** - No electronic toys or cell phones are allowed in Childcare. They will be taken away without any warnings and returned to the parents/guardians at the end of the day. ***Smart watches** - are allowed only for communication with parents. Kids are not allowed to be on them any other time and I must be notified from the parent if there will be any communication going on. If not then they really do not need to have them here. If they are caught playing on it, we will have to put it in their backpack/locker until they are picked up.

GOALS OF CHILDCARE:

- The top goal of child care is to provide a secure and wholesome environment for your child to spend their time in. We realize that without parent and student support and commitment, we at Childcare may not be able to achieve this goal. By combining our energies, we can make Childcare an environment that enhances the development of positive and appropriate attitudes and behavior. Parents, please read over the following behavior expectations, rules, and consequences with your child so they are aware of and will support them.

EXPECTATIONS - CHILD WILL:

- Respect self and others.
- Respect and will follow directions when given by all staff.
- Respect and have consideration for others' feelings.
- Respect personal belongings of others, property and equipment of the school. This includes helping clean the play area of items used.

RULES - CHILD WILL NOT:

- Argue or talk disrespectfully to Childcare staff, or Summer Recreation staff.
- Bully another child in any form; push, kick, hit, tease, or name-calling of another child or staff. This can lead to the dismissal of a child from Childcare.
- Use any form of poor language such as screaming or negative words.
- Leave the program area without permission from Childcare staff. This is a safety issue.
- Wrestle, play tackle football, do TaeKwonDo or any activity that requires a coach.
- Run in the school, climb on the lockers, vandalizing the lockers.
- Play with balls in the hallways, trophy case areas, or the Multi-Purpose Room. If anything is broken by disobeying this expectation, the parent/guardian of the child will be responsible for the cost of that item.

CONSEQUENCES:

- If a child chooses not to follow the rules, they will receive a break away from others at Childcare, which means the child will spend some time with an adult or by themselves until they are calm enough to return to the group.
- We will work through behavior issues with the parent/guardian. We will not be able to provide childcare services to anyone that puts the safety and well-being of others at risk.

The above pages are for your reference. Please fill out the attached forms and return completed forms to the Childcare office.

Please feel free to ask any questions.

NYM Summer Childcare Program Registration and Emergency Form

1. Child Name _____ Grade _____ Birthday _____
 2. Child Name _____ Grade _____ Birthday _____
 3. Child Name _____ Grade _____ Birthday _____
 4. Child Name _____ Grade _____ Birthday _____

Parent/Guardian One: _____

Phone #'s (HOME) _____ (CELL) _____

(WORK) _____ (EMAIL) _____

Place of Work _____

Mailing Address for Billing _____

Parent/Guardian Two: _____

Phone #'s (HOME) _____ (CELL) _____

(WORK) _____ (EMAIL) _____

Place of Work _____

Mailing Address for Billing _____

List two neighbors or nearby relatives who will assume temporary care of your child if you cannot be reached:

1. Name _____ Phone # _____

2. Name _____ Phone # _____

In case of an accident or serious illness, I request that the Childcare staff contact me. If they are unable to reach me, I hereby authorize them to call the local physician indicated below and to follow his/her instructions. If it is impossible to contact the physician, the Childcare staff may make whatever arrangements are necessary.

Name of local physician/clinic _____ Phone # _____

List any dietary restrictions, allergies, physical conditions, behavior conditions, health conditions and others that the Childcare staff should be aware of. **IMPORTANT:** If your child/children has one or more of these conditions, please call to set up a meeting first before your child can come to Summer Childcare.

Persons AUTHORIZED to pick up your child/children: (The child/children will only go home with the people on this list. If you send someone else to pick up the child/children and his/her name is not on this list, the child will not leave Childcare.)

1. _____ Relationship _____ Phone # _____
2. _____ Relationship _____ Phone # _____
3. _____ Relationship _____ Phone # _____
4. _____ Relationship _____ Phone # _____

Persons **NOT AUTHORIZED** to pick up your child/children:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Extra Notes for Childcare Staff:

Children must bring their own labeled backpack, water bottle, sunscreen, swimsuit and whatever they need for any Summer Recreation activities.

Calendars will be on the table by the sign in/out book. Please fill out one every month with drop in/out times and what activities your child will be participating in.

I have read all of the information included and agree to the terms of Summer Childcare. I have informed my child/children what is expected of them while attending Summer Childcare and they agree to do their best and understand the consequences for when they don't.

PARENT/GUARDIAN'S SIGNATURE _____

CHILD SIGNATURE _____

CHILD SIGNATURE _____

CHILD SIGNATURE _____

CHILD SIGNATURE _____

My child is allowed to have his/her photo taken during Childcare for the school website with no names attached to the photo and art projects:
YES () or NO ()

My child is allowed to use hand sanitizer during Childcare:
YES () or NO ()

My child has permission for the Childcare staff to apply sunscreen during Childcare:
LOTION () SPRAY () OR BOTH ()

My child is allowed to watch G and/or PG movies. If you have questions, please ask.
YES () or NO ()

Any questions or concerns?

Thank You,
Childcare Staff



LEGRIED COMMUNITY POOL 2026

New York Mills
 Phone: 218-385-3200

Hours:
 Monday-Friday 1-5:00 pm Open Swim
 6-6:30 pm Family Swim
 6:30-8:00 pm Open Swim
 Saturday 1-5:00 pm Open Swim
 Sundays Closed

SWIMMING LESSONS

SESSION I July 6-17th
 SESSION II July 27-August 7th

**Sessions are held in the morning hours

Please submit registration and fee to the pool at least one week prior to the date of lessons. Classes fill up fast. You will be called the week before lessons concerning specific times. Please call the pool anytime after June 9th with questions.

Parent & Child Aquatics Levels A& B (Adult supervision required in pool)

- LEVEL 1 Introduction to Water Skills
 - LEVEL 2 Fundamental Aquatic Skill
 - LEVEL 3 Stroke Development
 - LEVEL 4 Stroke Improvement
 - LEVEL 5 Stroke Refinement
 - LEVEL 6 (4 Parts)
- Lifeguard Readiness Fitness Swimmer
 Personal Water Safety Fundamentals of Diving

PRIVATE LESSONS Fee: \$30 per ½ hr Session. Call the pool for available times. First Come, First Serve.

AQUA AEROBICS: Great for low impact workout. Just pay the \$4.00 admission fee. Held Wednesday evenings from 8-8:45 pm. Held upon sufficient demand.

PASSES:

Pre-season Sales at F&M Bank & City Office
SEASON PASS: Individual \$65.00
 Family \$150.00

LESSON FEES:

\$30.00One Child
 \$50.00.....2 Children in Family
 \$65.00.....3 Children in Family
 \$75.00.....4 Children in Family
 Plus \$10 each additional Child in Family

**Weather Related Announcements will be broadcast on KWAD-KKWS radio station and posted on the City of New York Mills Facebook Page

**DAILY
 ADMISSION
 \$4.00
 ALL AGES**



***DO NOT RETURN TO DIST 553 ! Please Complete & Return to:
 Legried Community Pool PO Box H New York Mills, MN 56567
 Forms can also be dropped off at City Office at 28 Centennial 84 Dr W

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

AGE _____

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Parent & Child Aquatics | <input type="checkbox"/> Level 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> Level 6 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Level 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> Level 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> Private Lessons |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Level 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> Level 5 | |

Office Use Only:	
FEE PAID _____	
____ Cash	____ Ck
Date Recd _____	

I hereby give permission for _____ to participate in swimming lessons at the Legried Community Pool.

Signature: _____ Session 1 _____ Session 2 _____

New York Mills Public Library
2026 Summer Reading Program

SUMMER READING IS ON ITS WAY



NEW YORK MILLS PUBLIC LIBRARY

30 Main Ave N

New York Mills, MN

www.nympubliclibrary.org

Stop by to check out books, play games, take a puzzle home. Fun take & make crafts! Meet the Summer Reading Challenge and earn prizes Watch our website & Facebook page for other fun summer activities!