



Merrowvista 2019 Registration Form

Please check which session you wish to attend.

<input type="checkbox"/> New AYF Camper	<input type="checkbox"/> Former AYF Camper	Years at AYF Camps: _____
For new campers only: I was referred to AYF by: _____		

In Camp Programs

Campers are immersed in a fun and rewarding experience designed to develop "Best Self" through successive years at Merrowvista. The camp schedule is fully packed and allows for campers to choose activities and balance their day with active and creative options. Each day is brought to a quiet close through Village Insight discussion or Evening Reflection.

Day Camp Entering Grades K-2 (Fall 2019)	<input type="checkbox"/> Day Camp	7-22 - 7-26	\$270
Discoverer Entering Grades 3-7 (Fall 2019)	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 wk B	7-21 - 7-26	\$1,130
	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 wk Sail	7-21 - 7-26	\$1,130
Pioneer Entering Grades 3-7 (Fall 2019)	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 wk A	6-30 - 7-12	\$2,530
	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 wk B	7-28 - 8-9	\$2,530
	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 wk A	6-30 - 7-18	\$3,290
	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 wk B	7-28 - 8-15	\$3,290
Trailblazer Entering Grades 7-8 (Fall 2019)	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 wk A	6-30 - 7-18	\$3,770
	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 wk B	7-28 - 8-15	\$3,770
	<input type="checkbox"/> 4 wk B	7-21 - 8-15	\$4,270

Four Trails Wilderness Programs

Four Trails campers are challenged to do more than they thought possible while developing their lifelong skills of leadership, cooperation and respect for self, others and the wider world. Co-ed and single gender "Mobile Merrowvista Communities" adventure throughout New England and Nova Scotia, Canada. They learn the art of wilderness travel while building team and individual skills. Merrowvista adventure trips focus on the journey as much as the final destination. The AYF philosophy of Best Self and Balanced Living is applied to life on trail.

Explorer Entering Grade 9 (Fall 2019)	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 wk A	6-30 - 7-18	\$4,010
	<input type="checkbox"/> 4 wk B	7-21 - 8-15	\$4,610
Adventurer Entering Grade 10 (Fall 2019)	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 wk A	6-30 - 7-18	\$4,010
	<input type="checkbox"/> 4 wk B	7-21 - 8-15	\$4,610
Voyageur Entering Grades 11-12 (Fall 2019)	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 wk A	6-30 - 7-18	\$4,530
	<input type="checkbox"/> 4 wk B	7-21 - 8-15	\$5,200
Odyssey Entering Grades 11-12 (Fall 2019)	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 wk A	6-30 - 7-18	\$4,110
	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 wk B	7-28 - 8-15	\$4,110
Vista Entering Grades 10-12 (Fall 2019)	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 wk B	7-28 - 8-15	\$2,940

Note: Flight departures are the day following the closing ceremony.

Camper Information

Name of Camper: _____ **Gender:** _____
Last First Middle
Address: _____
Street

City State Zip
School: _____
Camper Email Address: _____
Age: _____ Birthdate: _____ Grade: _____
As of 7/1/19 mo/day/yr (2019-20 school year)

Parent/Guardian Information

Name: _____ AYF Alum
Address: _____

Home Phone #: _____ include area code Cell Phone #: _____ include area code
Work Phone #: _____ include area code Email ID: _____
For important email updates
Employer/Title: _____

Name: _____ AYF Alum
Address: _____

Home Phone #: _____ include area code Cell Phone #: _____ include area code
Work Phone #: _____ include area code Email ID: _____
For important email updates
Employer/Title: _____

Registration Fee Payment

A non-refundable \$200 registration fee **must accompany this registration form** and will be applied to tuition. Make checks payable to: AYF—Merrowwista, or you may pay by credit card. **Please note we no longer take Amex.**

Visa Card # _____ Exp Date: _____ **3 Digit CVV Code:** _____
 Master Card _____
Cardholder's Signature Name printed as it appears on card

Cardholder's Street, City, State and Zip Code

Credit Card Payment Option for Tuition

I authorize AYF to charge this credit card for my child's tuition balance (after registration fee is paid) in two separate payments on 2-1-19 and 4-1-19.

Scholarship Information

Please send Scholarship information

Return form and payment to:

Lisa Boucher, Registrar
lboucher@ayf.com • 603-539-6607x2011

Acknowledgement and Assumption of Risk

We believe young people seek adventure. Merrowvista provides an ideal environment for exploring new activities in a structured manner. However, some of the activities may involve risks young people do not encounter every day. At the American Youth Foundation we make reasonable efforts to conduct safe programs and to inform families of inherent risks and to provide adequate insurance coverage.

Risk management is an essential element of the activities we offer and we observe reasonable precautions. We conduct our programs according to the practices and procedures recommended by the American Camping Association (ACA) and state licensing requirements. Our risk management program includes staff selection criteria, training and supervision, written policies and procedures for activities, systematic review of incidents for improvements, and outside reviews of our programs. While we anticipate our careful supervision will protect the well-being of each participant, we are also aware it is possible neither to foresee every contingency nor to eliminate all risk.

Examples of activities that may occur in our programs at Merrowvista include traveling in AYF vehicles, horseback riding, swimming, sailing, canoeing, kayaking, camping, using stoves and open fire, using ropes/obstacle courses that may be 50 feet high or more. Consider the obvious risks of these activities. Inherent risks include collision, capsizing, burns and falling. In addition, many of our programs include travel through remote backcountry terrain where cell phone and communication services may not be available, and where groups may be more than an hour removed from professional emergency medical care. Environmental risks include inclement and unpredictable weather, deep and or cold water, rapidly moving water, falling objects, insects, lowered and elevated body temperatures, sunburn, allergic reactions and other injuries and illnesses. There are, of course, other problems that could impact our activities.

To ensure us that you understand the kinds of activities and risks involved in AYF programs, I ask parents to sign below. Your signature will confirm that both parents and participants have read this letter and that you acknowledge and accept the risks involved in our programs and the responsibility to come prepared for camp. In signing the statement, parents/guardians grant permission to the participants to attend, and parents and participants acknowledge having read and understood the above statement.

Anna Kay Vorsteg
President
American Youth Foundation

Parent Acknowledgment of Risk, Expectations, Financial Responsibility and Information Release

In order that Merrowvista may provide each camper maximum opportunity for his/her personal development, I confirm that my child is physically and emotionally prepared to fully participate in the Merrowvista Camp programs. I have read the Acknowledge and Assumption of Risk above, and I understand there are risks associated with AYF activities. I accept those risks as part of my child's participation. I have read the Payment, Billing and Refund Policies and I understand and agree to my responsibilities to meet these criteria.

I give I do not give permission to the AYF to use photographs, videotapes or reproductions of my child's likeness or voice for education and promotional purposes. I waive the right for any future claims, including remuneration. (If unchecked, we will assume permission.)

The American Youth Foundation (AYF) aims to be inclusive in the enrollment of participants. All reasonable efforts will be made to accommodate campers with different conditions, strengths and abilities. The medical questions below are a starting point, and we may contact you for additional information to aid our medical review team. AYF reserves the right to preclude participation based on a condition staff are not able to manage safely.

Please provide the following background information about your camper:

- Does your child have any known allergies? Yes No
If Yes, please list: _____
- Does your child carry an Epi-pen for any of these allergies? Yes No
- Does your child carry an Inhaler for Asthma? Yes No
If Yes, please explain: _____
- Does your child have any special services at school? Yes No
If Yes, please explain: _____
- Is your child currently under a medical professional's care for any physical or mental health conditions? Yes No
If Yes, please explain: _____
- Has your child been hospitalized within the past 24 months? Yes No
If Yes, please explain: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

How to Register

Complete the online registration or the enclosed registration form and return it to us with the registration fee of \$200. The check should be made payable to American Youth Foundation Merrowvista, or you may pay by credit card on the bottom of the registration form. The registration fee is non-refundable and is applied to the camp fee. **Registration fees are non-transferable towards siblings or towards second program tuition. We are unable to process your registration(s) without the fee(s).**

We will send you the Parent Camper Handbook containing detailed information about clothing, equipment, camper health form, travel arrangements, luggage, mail, laundry, etc. in early 2019. The handbook contains forms that **must be filled out each year**, and returned to us by **April 15, 2019**.

The **deadline** for registration is **June 1, 2019**. However, because enrollment in several programs reached capacity last year, we encourage you to register early.

Fee Payment and Billing

The non-refundable \$200 registration fee in US currency is due with the registration form. The registration fee is required for **each** child and program. When we receive your registration, we will bill you for the balance of the camp fee.

You may pay on a schedule that is convenient for you. However, 50% of the total due after payment of the registration fee is due by **February 1, 2019**. The balance of the fee is due by **April 1, 2019**. Registrations received after **April 1st** must be accompanied by full tuition payment. **Campers showing a balance due will not be allowed to begin camp.**

Payment of tuition represents payment for services received, no portion of which represents a tax-deductible contribution.

Note: We charge a \$35 fee for returned checks.

Credit Card Payment Option

We also offer a credit card payment option for tuition with two installments automatically charged to your credit card account. 50% of the tuition balance (after paid registration fee) would be charged on February 1, 2019, and the remaining balance would be charged April 1, 2019.

If you would like to take advantage of this payment plan, please check the appropriate box on the registration form, or notify the Registrar in writing with card type, card number, expiration date, the three digit CVV # on the back of the card, card holder address, the card holder signature permitting us to make the appropriate charges and the printed name of the card holder.

Discounts and Scholarships

To assist families in meeting the cost of camp, the AYF offers discounts and need-based scholarships.

Discounts

- **Early Bird Registration** (by October 31) guarantees 2019 camp at 2018 camp tuition.
- **Family Discount** - After first full paying child, all summer programs for other immediate family members receive a 5% discount

Scholarships

If you would like to be considered for a scholarship, please check the appropriate box on the registration form and an application will be sent to you this fall. Scholarship funds are limited, so we encourage you to act quickly as soon as you receive your application. The \$200 registration fee must accompany the registration form, even if you are applying for a scholarship. If our award is not sufficient to enable you to attend, we will return the \$200.

Scholarships are need-based and available on a first-come first-served basis. We begin processing applications December 10. The deadline for applications is **March 1**. After March 1, you may contact the Registrar to inquire if there are any funds remaining. Due to limited funds, we highly recommend applying as soon as possible.

Refunds

If cancellation is necessary prior to April 1, any tuition paid above the \$200 registration fee will be refunded. *After April 1st there is no tuition refund.* **There is a minimum \$35 processing fee for each refund.**

Medical/voluntary or involuntary withdrawal

If, due to illness or injury, a camper must withdraw prior to the beginning of camp, all payments except the registration fee will be returned upon receipt of a written report from a physician. For withdrawals during the camp season due to illness or injury, a refund will be prorated. No refund will be granted in case of dismissal or voluntary withdrawal from camp and the family will be responsible for transportation costs incurred.

Late Registrations

Registrations after April 1st must be accompanied by **full tuition payment**. We are unable to guarantee a program space without full tuition payment.