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**BLUE VALLEY YOUTH SAILING
FOUNDATION
2024 SAILING ENROLLMENT
PACKET**

BLUE VALLEY YOUTH SAILING FOUNDATION

2024 Programs

The Blue Valley Youth Sailing Foundation operates three youth sailing programs to introduce youth to sailing and improve their sailing skills. These are run by volunteers from our base at the Blue Valley Yacht Club on Tuttle Creek Reservoir outside of Manhattan, KS. They are as follows:

1. Our entry level program is Camp Opti for youth 7 to 13 years of age. We offer the program twice each summer, once in June and again in July. The program runs evenings Monday through Thursday, all day Saturday and Sunday afternoon. After completing this program, the youth will be able to assemble and launch their boat. After launching their boat, they will be able to sail a designated course and return to the dock safely. Each session is limited to the first eight (8) qualified applicants.
2. After a youth has completed Camp Opti or a similar youth sailing program they may participate in the Advanced Sailing Program to improve their sailing skills. At first, they continue sailing Optis. As youth outgrow the Optis in physical size and sailing skills they will begin sailing Flying Juniors and Sunfish with an on emphasis crew cooperation. With parental consent and participation, the youth sailor will have an opportunity to race with their instructors in Blue Valley Yacht Club races.
3. On Sunday afternoon of Labor Day Weekend we hold our Annual Labor Day Weekend Youth Regatta. The youth are divided into classes by their instructors based upon their size and sailing skills for an afternoon of racing.

The dates and times for this year's events are listed on the next page.

A limited number of scholarships are available. See below for YES FUND Scholarship information.

The dates and times for all of this year events are listed on the next page.

BLUE VALLEY YOUTH SAILING FOUNDATION

Youth Sailing 2024 Calendar

Sun.	May	19	Advanced Youth Sailing Session #1 – 1:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Sun.	June	09	1 st CHAPMAN RACE DAY – 1:30 p.m. - UC Advanced Youth Sailing Session #2 – 1.30 p.m. – UC*a
Mon.	June	10	Camp Opti – 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Tue.	June	11	Camp Opti - 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Wed.	June	12	Camp Opti - 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Thu.	June	13	Camp Opti - 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Sat.	June	15	Camp Opti – 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Sun.	June	16	Advanced Youth Sailing Session #3 – 2:00 p.m. *b Camp Opti Races – 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Sun.	June	23	Advance Youth Sailing Session #4 – 1:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Sun.	June	30	3 rd CHAPMAN RACE DAY – 1:30 p.m. - UC Advanced Youth Sailing Session #5 – 1:30 p.m. – UC *a
Sun.	July	07	Advanced Youth Sailing Session #6 – 1:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.
Mon.	July	08	Camp Opti – 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Tue.	July	09	Camp Opti – 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Wed.	July	10	Camp Opti – 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Thu.	July	11	Camp Opti – 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Sat.	July	13	Camp Opti – 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Sun.	July	14	Advanced Youth Sailing Session #7 – 1:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. *b Camp Opti Races – 1:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Sun.	July	21	Advance Youth Sailing Session #8 – 1:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Sun.	August	04	Advanced Youth Sailing Session #9 – 1:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Sun.	August	11	2 nd CONROW RACE DAY – 1:30 p.m.- UC Advanced Youth Sailing Session #10 – 1:30 – UC *a

BVYSF 2024 Sailing Schedule, Page2 Two:

Sun.	August	25	Youth Regatta Practice – 1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Sun,	September	01	YOUTH SAILING REGATTA – 1:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

*a. Advanced Youth Sailors will sail with adult instructors in the Blue Valley Yacht Club races

*b. Advanced Youth Sailors will serve as coaches and race committee

UC = Ending time uncertain

BLUE VALLEY YOUTH SAILING FOUNDATION, INC

2024 FAMILY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

I hereby apply for membership for myself (and my family) in the Blue Valley Youth Sailing Foundation and provide the following information. I agree that the Blue Valley Youth Sailing Foundation may from time to time send me information regarding its activities. I can request to be removed from its emailing list at any time.

Memberships run from April 1, 2024 until March 31, 2025

Adult's Name _____

Adult's Name _____

Child's Name _____ Age: _____

Child's Name _____ Age: _____

(List additional family members on the back)

Address _____

(street)

(city, state, zip code)

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Member's signature

Date

Fees:

Family Membership: \$30.00 (includes all youth in advanced programs & the regatta)

Camp Opti Fee: \$30.00 per youth in addition to the Family Membership. Fill out a separate youth application for each participating youth. See YES Fund scholarship information below.

2024 BVYSF

VOLUNTEER SIGNUP

/__ / I am an experienced sailor and am willing to help teach

Small outboard safety boat operations

/__ / Experienced

/__ / Willing to learn

/__ / I am willing to help with general facilities maintenance

Boat repair and maintenance

/__ / General Maintenance

/__ / Sail Repair

/__ / Other: _____

Snacks for:

/__ / Saturday of Camp Opti

/__ / Sunday of Camp Opti

/__ / Labor Day Weekend Regatta

First Aid Trained

/ / First Aid Certified by _____ (Agency)

/ / CPR Certified _____ (Agency)

At least one adult must attend all sessions while their child or children are on the water to help with safety supervision.

(Name)

Please volunteer above to help!

BLUE VALLEY YOUTH SAILING FOUNDATION, INC

2024 YOUTH SAILING APPLICATION

Youth's First Name _____ Youth's Last Name _____ Age _____

Parent or Guardian's First Name _____

Parent or Guardian's Last Name _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Email _____

Name of Adult Participant other than above _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Email _____

Address _____

(Street, City, State, Zip)

Emergency Contact Person _____ Phone _____

I have Liability Insurance /_/ Yes /_/ No

If yes state company and policy number: _____

My youth is covered by Medical Insurance /_/ Yes /_/ No

If yes state company and policy number: _____

IN MAKING THIS APPLICATION I UNDERSTAND THERE ARE SOME INHERENT RISKS IN ANY OUTDOOR/WATER ACTIVITIES. I AGREE TO PARTIIPATE WITH MY CHILD IN ALL ACTIVITES, OR THAT THE ABOVE-NAMED ADULT PARTICIPANT IS AUTHORIZED TO ACT FULLY IN MY STEAD IN ALL ACTIVITIES, INCLUDED IN THIS PROGRAM

Parent or Guardian

Date

Check One

I request Camp Opti June 10-16 I am only able to attend Camp Opti June 10-16

I request Camp Opti July 08-14 I am only able to attend Camp Opti July 08-14

I request to continue in the Advanced Opti Program after Camp Opti with no additional fee

I have completed Camp Opti and request the Advanced Sailing Program

BLUE VALLEY YOUTH SAILING FOUNDATION, INC.

YOUTH PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

A Family Membership in the Blue Valley Youth Sailing Foundation is required for participation in all Blue Valley Youth Sailing Foundation programs.

Camp Opti is an entry level program. You and your youth sailor need to be aware of what will be involved and be willing to attend regularly and participate to achieve success.

The Advanced Sailing Program is for youth sailors who have completed Camp Opti or a similar program and now want to continue improving their sailing skills. You and your youth sailor need to be aware that the Advanced Sailing Program is more demanding than Camp Opti. You will need to attend regularly and participate to achieve success.

The youth sailor must be able to swim. All participants must wear a Coast Guard approved life jacket suitable for their size and weight whenever they are on the water including on the docks and safety craft. Loaner life jackets are available. Proper footwear will be worn at all times during the camp, both on land and on the water. The youth sailors need to bring a change of clothes and a towel. Adults may find it helpful to their youth sailors to bring a pen or pencil and paper to take notes.

The courses will be taught at the Blue Valley Yacht Club on the dates and at the times attached, unless you are otherwise notified. The youth sailor and their adult participant need to be on time and ready to start at the designated time.

I, _____, understand that by entering this sailing course I agree to obey all programs rules as set forth by the program director and instructors, that I will use my greatest care in the use of the boats and equipment; that I will not engage in any horseplay or other disruptive behavior. I understand that failure to attend regularly, arrive promptly and abide by the rules may result in my suspension from the program.

Youth Sailor: _____, Date: _____

I agree to attend all sessions of the sailing sessions that my youth attends or have an authorized adult present with my youth sailor. I assume full responsibility for any loss or damage, excepting loss or damage covered by insurance, that may come to any person, including myself and my youth sailor, boat, equipment, dock or other property used in conjunction with this course as the result of improper use, negligence, or violation of the rules by myself and/or my youth sailor. I acknowledge that the sport of sailing and the conduct of this course are subject to certain inherent risks on the water and land. I agree that my personal liability insurance and my youth sailor's family health insurance will have primary coverage for accidents.

I FURTHER AGREE TO HOLD THE BLUE VALLEY YOUTH SAILING FOUNDATION, THE BLUE VALLEY YACHT CLUB & THEIR REPRESENTATIVES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO INSTRUCTORS, HARMLESS FOR PERSONAL INJURIES AND/OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.

I (do) (do not) authorized the Blue Valley Youth Sailing Foundation to use my child's photographic image and name on its website. Additional use of such may be granted on a case-by-case basis

Adult Participant. _____ Date: _____

BLUE VALLEY YOUTH SAILING FOUNDATION

Invitation and Entry Form for the

2024 INVITATIONAL REGATTA

Having completed a Camp Opti you are invited to participate in the Blue Valley Youth Sailing Foundation's 2024 Invitational Regatta, September 1, 2024.

ENTRY FORM

Youth's Name _____ Age _____
First Last

Parent or Guardian's Name _____
First Last

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Email _____

Name of Adult Participant other than above _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Email _____

Emergency Contact Person _____ Phone _____

BY ENTERING THIS REGATTA, WE ACKNOWLEDGE THERE ARE SOME INHERENT RISKS IN ALL OUTDOOR/WATER ACTIVITIES. WE FURTHER UNDERSTAND THAT OUR AGREEMENTS AND RELEASES FOR CAMP OPTI/ADVANCED OPTI AND ADVANCED BOAT PROGRAM REMAIN IN EFFECT FOR THIS REGATTA, INCLUDING THE USE OR NON-USE OF MY CHILD'S IMAGE IN ADVERTISING OR OTHER PUBLICATIONS AS APPLICABLE TO THIS EVENT.

Dated: _____

Parent or Guardian

Youth Sailor

There may be up to three racing classes, Opti, Sunfish and Flying Juniors. Staff will assign sailors to specific classes based upon the youths' age, size and sailing experience.

BLUE VALLEY YOUTH SAILING FOUNDATION, INC
CAMP OPTI ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE

Monday:	Welcome	Saturday:	Safety Review
	Orientation		Assemble Boats
	Program Goals		Sail a specified course, Pg 27
	Safety Rules		Store equipment
	Capsize Drill, Pa's 32, 33		Barnacles and Buoys
	Assemble and disassemble boats, Pg's 5-9		
	Barnacles and Buoys		
Tuesday:	Safety Review	Sunday:	Safety Review
	Steering Drill, Pg 12		Assemble Boats
	Assemble Boat & disassemble boats		Races, Pg's 40-44
	Sail Trim Instruction, Pg's 18-27		Store equipment
	Store equipment		Barnacles and Buoys
	Barnacles and Buoys		Final Words to Youth and Parents
Wednesday:	Safety Review		
	Assemble Boats		
	First Sail, Pg's 11-14		
	Review Sail trim w/ models		
	Docking #1		
	Store equipment		
	Barnacles and Buoys		
Thursday:	Safety Review		
	Assemble Boats		
	Docking #2		
	Free Sail, Pg's 18-26		
	Review		
	Store equipment		
	Barnacles and Buoys		

VALLEY YOUTH SAILING FOUNDATION

Scholarship Information & Application

The YES Fund of the Greater Manhattan Community Fund has provided the Blue Valley Youth Sailing Foundation funds for a limited number of scholarships for our programs during 2024. If you are interested in having your child or children participate in the BVYSF's programs but believe that the fees listed below would cause you financial hardship review the income guidelines below. If your family qualifies for a scholarship fill out the application and submit it with your program application. Scholarships will be granted in the order the applications are received without consideration of race, color, gender, creed or any other legally protected status.

Applications for a Yes Fund Scholarship must be received by May 17, 2024

If you do not meet the income guidelines for a scholarship but feel you have special circumstances and need help with the fees contact us at bvysf@cox.net.

All financial information will be held in strict confidence.

Income Qualifications

No. of Adults & Youth

in Household	Household Income
2	\$18,310
3	\$23,030
4	\$27,750
5	\$32,470
6	\$37,190

If your household is larger than six persons contact us at bvysf@cox.net

I hereby apply for a YES Fund Scholarship for the programs of the Blue Valley Youth Sailing Foundation checked below. I certify that I have reviewed the income levels listed above and my family qualifies for the requested scholarship.

Programs Requested to be funded by the Scholarship

Family Membership (Required for all programs) \$30.00 / _ /

Advanced Opti/Boats Included in Family Membership*

Camp Opti per Child \$30.00 / _ / for _____ children

(Name)

*Must have completed Camp Opti or an equivalent course before starting the program