

Youth Summer Classes - General Information

The Fanshawe Yacht Club Sailing School is located at Fanshawe Lake in London, Ontario. Courses follow the Canadian Yachting Association (CYA) *Learn to Sail* program, offering standardized instruction to youth and adults. The CYA levels build together from White Sail I to Bronze V, continuing into racing with Silver and Gold levels.

Staff and Equipment

All instructors are certified to CYA standards. They are required to have a National Coaching Certificate, a current Life Saving Society Bronze Medallion and a Standard First Aid Certificate. The CYA recommends a maximum of ten students per instructor.

The FYC Sailing School fleet includes CL 14's, Club 420's and Laser II's for the racing program. All sailing equipment is provided by the school, including personal floatation devices (PFD) for each student.

Safety

Every student is required to wear an approved PFD while in the boats or on the docks.

What to send with each student

Clothing

Please ensure that your child is dressed for the weather:

- appropriate clothes for the forecast weather (jacket, rainwear)
- complete change of dry clothes (just in case)
- swimsuit, towel, hat, sunscreen, eye/sunglass retainers
- proper footwear

We recommend sneakers rather than sport sandals to protect toes. If sandals are worn, they should be sturdy. Flip-flops are not allowed!

Remember the Australian Sun Formula - slip on a shirt, slap on a hat, slop on waterproof sunscreen.

Daily Lunch

Please pack a hearty lunch, with an ice pack if necessary, drinks and an afternoon snack. There is no tuck shop or snack bar at our site, so please keep this in mind when planning lunches.

Cold and Rainy Days

Our programs continue rain or shine. The clubhouse provides rain shelter, however foul weather provides an opportunity to teach a number of necessary points outside. Proper dress for such days is essential. (Warm clothes, foul weather gear, rubber boots)

Lost and Found

Please label EVERYTHING! We will do our best to keep sailors and their possessions together.

Do not allow expensive items to come to the Club - running shoes, watches, jewellery.

Any item can be lost or dropped overboard.

Other Valuable Information

Security

We are concerned for the safety and security of your child and we will strictly adhere to your transportation request as noted on the registration form. ANYONE ARRIVING TO PICK UP YOUR CHILD WITHOUT PRIOR NOTICE FROM YOU WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO COLLECT YOUR CHILD. To release your child, we must receive a written request from you, the parent or guardian, at least one day in advance. Please note this precaution is solely for the safety of your child.

Absentees

Please telephone the Sailing School (519-451-8989) in the morning and let us know if your child will be absent. If you know in advance of an absence, please send a note with your child. A call or note by you takes only a moment but it can save us considerable time confirming where your child is.

Student Conduct

Fanshawe Yacht Club Sailing School reserves the right to request withdrawal of any student prior to the completion of the sailing session if, in the opinion of the instructor staff, the student has failed to conduct themselves in a reasonable manner and is disruptive to the class. In such cases, course fees may or may not be refunded, depending on the details of the situation.

Photographs

During the courses over the summer, our instructors and helpers record events taking photos. These photos may be used in future years to market our programs. They will also be used this summer to compile a souvenir yearbook, or similar, featuring the events and happenings of the summer. The year book or a souvenir photo disc will be available, for a small fee to cover costs, during the last week of the summer. Details will be available when they are ready.

Transportation

Can I drive my child to Sailing School?

Yes. Any parent driving their child to the Club should plan to arrive at Fanshawe Yacht Club between 8:45 and 9:00 am and return to pick them up around 4:00 pm. Presentation of your receipt at the Park gate will allow you free entrance to the Park to deliver or pick up your child.

Bus Transportation

Our Sailing School provides transportation to and from the Fanshawe Yacht Club, in a bus chartered through Elgie Bus Lines. The extra fee of \$30.00 per two-week course should be paid with your registration. The bus stops, pick-up times and drop-off times have been arranged for us with the bus line.

The bus stops will not be supervised, so we ask that you arrange your morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up in accordance with the scheduled stop times. Every effort will be made to keep to the schedule. However, there are many factors which can affect the departure and arrival times. Your co-operation will be appreciated.

The bus driver will be given a roster with the name of each child expected on the bus and their stop number. Children registered after rosters are compiled will have their names added by the bus driver when boarding the bus on the first day and it will be verified by the school staff on arrival.

Children 12 and older will be permitted to walk home without an adult ONLY with your written permission. Children younger than 12 will be kept at the bus stop until you arrive. If you would like to designate another person in your place, including an older sibling over 14 years, please indicate this with your registration or send us written confirmation indicating the name of your designate. A note with your child's lunch will suffice.

Bus Route and Schedule -

Morning

7:45 am Elgie Depot
8:00 stop 1 - Glen Cairn School
8:10 stop 2 - Brick Street School
8:20 stop 3 - Banting Secondary School
8:30 stop 4 - Masonville School
8:35 stop 5 - Northridge School
9:00 Fanshawe Yacht Club

Afternoon

4:00 pm leave Fanshawe Yacht Club
4:15 stop 5 - Northridge School
4:20 stop 4 - Masonville School
4:30 stop 3 - Banting Secondary School
4:40 stop 2 - Brick Street School
4:50 stop 1 - Glen Cairn School
5:00 Elgie Depot