



Jennie Griffin Associate Executive Director



*I work behind the scenes to support everyone who comes to Fairview Lake
YMCA Camps.*

How long have you been in the camp industry?

I have worked in my field for 35 years.

Where do you currently work?

Fairview Lake YMCA Camps in Stillwater, NJ

JENNIE'S FUN FACT

*My favorite song is "Sunday Best"
by Surfaces.*

How do you spend most of your time at work?

I spend time making sure the flow of camp is working and the hurdles are removed. I respond to people's questions about camp. I work on ways to make camp affordable for all people. I help move things around camp to keep up with the ever-changing needs of our communities.

Why did you choose this career?

As a child I went to sleep-away camp and loved everything about the experience. Once I finished college, I learned of the opportunity to work at a year-round camp spreading the excitement of discovery and exploration. I was 100% sold on the idea!

What did you do to prepare for this career?

I needed a love for the outdoors! A love for all people! I also needed a bachelor's degree and a desire to serve others.

What do you enjoy most about your job?

Watching people recuperate enough to become the best versions of themselves!

What do you find most challenging about your job?

Trying to anticipate the best way to serve our community and make it sustainable for camp.

What is one piece of advice you would give to a young person who is interested in your profession?

Continue to pursue your passion and look for gaps to fill along the journey.

