

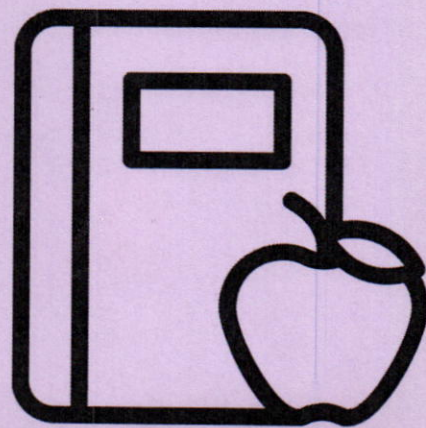


FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT®  
FOR HEALTHY LIVING  
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

# YMCA AFTER SCHOOL PARENT HANDBOOK

WHERE KIDS EXCEL  
AFTER THE BELL

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## **INTRODUCTION**

When children enter the YMCA After School program, a whole new world of imagination and growth opens up to them. In addition to supplementing what they have learned in school, they participate in interactive learning models that engage critical thinking skills, get assistance with their homework from trained YMCA staff, have a chance to socialize with each other, and form long-lasting friendships that enhance their development, growth and self-confidence.

Our curriculum is based on a program model that focuses on learning enhancement, health and recreation, and building competence and confidence in children.

## **OUR MISSION**

To put Christian principles into practice through programs that build healthy spirit, mind and body for all.

## **OUR CAUSE**

To strengthen the foundation of community through youth development, healthy living and social responsibility.

## **OUR VALUES**

To reinforce our character values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility.

## **PROGRAM PHILOSOPHY**

Our philosophy for the YMCA of Youngstown, as well as the YMCA of the USA, is to help participants grow in spirit, mind, and body through a variety of activities that promote character development, sportsmanship, and teamwork. Under the guidance of well-trained staff, the YMCA After School program can give children an experience that will last a lifetime.

## **OUR GOALS**

At the YMCA, strengthening community is our cause. We believe that lasting personal and social change can only come about when we all work together. While in our program, children participate in physical activities, play games, work on homework, build friendships, and more. While in our care, parents and guardians can be reassured that their children are in a safe and fun environment with caring and supportive staff members.

## **REGISTRATION PROCESS**

After School is for children grades K-8.

Children are enrolled on a first come, first served basis. The requirements of special needs children will be discussed with the After School coordinator and the child's parents. Efforts will be made to accommodate students with high functioning circumstances. Please see the Youth & Teen Director for more information on our accommodations for those with special needs.

The After School program will not discriminate in the employment of staff or the enrollment of children based on race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

To complete enrollment of your child at After School, you will need to fill out and return the following information:

- Handbook Acknowledgement
- Swim/Video Release