Y CARES
Educational Enrichment Program

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WELCOME TO Y CARES!

Why Y Cares?

At the YMCA, we care about your child’s development - both as an individual, and as a student! Now, more than ever, the Y recognizes the need for continued support of our youth’s academic success while navigating the online learning format. We are excited to offer a comprehensive program that will provide the structure and support needed for your child to thrive both in school, and out.

In addition to daily academic support, Y Cares will keep kids physically active through games, sports, and pool time. Creativity is sparked and learning is promoted through arts, humanities, and STEM projects. Character is developed through our Y Ties Initiative, conflict resolution skill building, and by instilling the Y’s Core Values (Respect, Responsibility, Caring, and Honesty) throughout the day. That’s just the tip of the iceberg! Each week is jam-packed with fun activities that appeal to a wide range of interests and abilities.

Raising the B.A.R. at Y Cares!

We’ve raised the “B.A.R.” at Y Cares! Your child will feel a sense of Belonging, where they will feel comfortable expressing their individuality in a safe and respectful environment; they will feel a sense of Achievement as they develop new skills and realize their passions and talents; and they will build Relationships with Y Staff and fellow participants that inspire them to reach their full potential. These important elements are interwoven throughout all program activities and lay the foundation for everything we do.
Y CARES REGISTRATION IS EASY!
REGISTER ONLINE TODAY AT
WWW.LASVEGASYMCA.ORG
OR IN-PERSON AT THE MEMBER SERVICES DESK

Y CARES 2020

RATES

Weekly Rate | $150
Daily Rate | $30

THREE CONVENIENT PAYMENT OPTIONS:

1. Pay in full at the time of registration (online or in person).

2. Weekly enrollments: pay deposits (per child/per week) and then pay the remaining balance by the Wednesday prior to the respective week of Y Cares (online, through the YMCA of Southern Nevada app, or in-person).

3. Weekly enrollments: pay deposits (per child/per week) and sign up for auto draft. Payments will be drafted on the Thursday prior to the start of the respective week of Y Cares.

Person:
The Y retains the right to refuse admittance to Y Cares if there is an outstanding balance.

Note:
Failed drafts and returned payments will result in a $30 processing fee.

Waiting List
In the event that Y Cares reaches capacity prior to your registration, you may place your child on a waiting list. The Youth & Family Coordinator will contact you if a spot becomes available by the Friday prior to the respective week.

Tax Information
ENHANCED HEALTH & SAFETY GUIDELINES
MEETING OR EXCEEDING FEDERAL, STATE & LOCAL RECOMMENDATIONS

• Small group sizes. Spots will fill on a first-come, first-served basis. We strongly recommend that parents enroll early.

• Industry-leading ratios (1 staff per 10 participants).

• Frequent hand washing/sanitizing.

• Mask requirements for all staff and volunteers, as well as for all participants age 10 or older.

• Frequent sanitizing of rooms and equipment.

• Enhanced staff training on promoting positive behavior and mental health.
• Promotion of healthy hygiene, including personal bubbles, elbow bumps instead of high-fives, covering mouths for coughs/sneezes, not sharing food/beverage items, and not touching faces.

• Encouraging participants to wear a pair of Y Cares only shoes that they store and change into/out of in the car.

• Requiring parents to report any illness within the household to the Youth & Family Coordinator immediately for assessment and prompt response.

• Thorough wellness checks at sign-in and throughout the day for staff, volunteers, and participants. Please prepare for sign-in to take several minutes as we prioritize safety over speed.

• Participants, staff, and volunteers must stay home if they feel ill or exhibit signs/symptoms of any communicable illness. While these signs/symptoms may be experienced by individuals with conditions that are not communicable (e.g., allergies), Public Health Guidelines dictate that childcare centers should not admit an individual displaying these signs/symptoms nonetheless.
JOIN THE Y  ➤>
YOUR EXTENDED FAMILY!

Participants must be Y Facility Members OR Y Program Participants to enroll in Y Cares. Becoming a Y Facility Member provides you with access to all four Y locations, tons of included amenities, and even discounts on programs at certain Y’s. Program Participants are non-members who have access to Y programs for an annual fee of $50/individual or $70/family.

Y REFUND POLICY

Refunds/credits are issued in accordance with the following policies:

• All refund/credit requests must be submitted utilizing the appropriate YMCA-issued form, which can be collected, completed, and submitted at the Member Services Desk.

• 100% refund for any Y Cares dates cancelled by the YMCA.

• When cancelled by the participant, a request received on or before the WEDNESDAY prior to the start of the respective week of Y Cares will receive a 100% refund. Thereafter, the refund may be provided as a YMCA account credit at the discretion of the Youth & Family Coordinator.

• A full or partial credit may be granted at the Youth & Family Coordinator’s discretion if the participant’s illness exceeds two full Y Cares days and a doctor’s note is submitted with the request.

• Refunds/credits will NOT be provided for services rendered.

• Refunds/credits will NOT be granted to participants who have been suspended or expelled from Y Cares due to behavioral issues or policy violations, as determined by the Youth & Family Coordinator.
YMCA  
MISSION IN ACTION

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

We believe strong communities are possible only when we invest in our kids, our health, and our neighbors. This is done by providing high-quality, affordable programming that is accessible for all. Thanks to the generous support of donors, the Y is able to ensure that no one is turned away due to the inability to pay – as long as funds and space are available. Visit a Y or our website for more information about our Y Cares Financial Assistance Program. Inquire early as it can take up to 10 business days for us to review your application.

PAY IT FORWARD

As a community-driven charity, we encourage children and adults of every age to give back. Ask about how to volunteer, make a donation to the Y’s Annual Campaign so you can “Pay It Forward,” or leave a family legacy by joining our Heritage Club. Every contribution, no matter how small, has the power to strengthen the community we all share.

FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM

Meet Up To Eat Up

No child goes hungry at the YMCA! Each day, hundreds of children across Southern Nevada are served a FREE, nutritious cold lunch through the Y’s Food Service Program. Should your child prefer to pack their own lunch and/or afternoon snack, they can place the free food on our sharing table for other campers to enjoy.

*In accordance with Federal Law and US Department of Agriculture Policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability.*

Note: The Food Service Program is not offered at the Centennial Hills YMCA.
CONNECT
WITH THE Y!

Here’s how to stay connected

**BLOOMZ APP**
Opt into our BLOOMZ App for Y Cares reminders and updates.

**EMAIL**
Be sure to check your email (including the spam mailbox) for important Y Cares information.

**Y CARES HOTLINE**
Use the Y Cares Hotline to convey important information to your child’s Youth & Family Coordinator. Not for billing or general inquiries.

**Y CARES SECRETARY**
Your point-of-contact for all billing-related inquiries.

**YOUTH & FAMILY COORDINATOR**
Contact your child’s Youth & Family Coordinator for questions, comments, and ideas.

**HANNOUTS**
Keep an eye out at our Sign-In/Out Table for handouts.

**ABOUT MY DAY REPORTS**
We’ll send your child home with one of these if something out of the ordinary happens during their day, such as a minor injury, a behavioral issue, or something awesome that they did.

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**CENTENNIAL HILLS YMCA**
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**Y Cares Coordinators**
Hailey Atwell  
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(702) 522-7436

Josh Poole  
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(702) 522-7436

**Y Cares Hotline**  
(702) 901-9772

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**DURANGO HILLS YMCA**
3521 N Durango Dr | Las Vegas, NV 89129

**Association Youth & Family Director**
Erica Stegall  
estegall@lasvegasymca.org  
(702) 476-6741

**Y Cares Hotline**  
(725) 780-0695
It takes a village! At the Y, we take our responsibility to your family very seriously. That’s why we work hard to keep you informed. In that effort, we encourage your active participation and ask that you please keep your most recent contact information on file (including cell phones and email addresses). Since communication is a two-way street, we also strongly encourage you to reach out when things come up - whether they are questions, ideas, concerns, or compliments. We are always happy to assist!

HEINRICH YMCA
4141 Meadows Ln | Las Vegas, NV 89107
Youth & Family Coordinator
Jessica Underwood  junderwood@lasvegasymca.org  (702) 522-7421
Y Cares Hotline  (725) 780-0545

SKYVIEW YMCA
3050 E Centennial Pkwy | North Las Vegas, NV 89081
Youth & Family Coordinator
Portia Santiago psantiago@lasvegasymca.org  (702) 998-9105
Y Cares Hotline  (725) 780-0830
Y CARES INFO

Y CARES PROGRAM | AGES 5-15
The YMCA is so much more than a place to go when school is out! Participants will receive academic support from trained Y staff, while developing skills and gaining confidence through games, swimming, sports, STEM projects, and more!

Y CARES AGE GROUPS
The YMCA of Southern Nevada will offer the Y Cares program Monday through Friday from 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM. Participants are divided into smaller groups based on their age, so that they are paired with similarly-aged peers, and can enjoy developmentally-appropriate activities. Each Y may group participants differently and reserves the right to regroup participants as needed. Participants must meet the group’s age requirements on the respective day/week of program. Please speak with the Youth and Family Coordinator if you have a special request in that regard.

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!
Individuals who are age 15 or older are encouraged to volunteer! Simple apply for the volunteer position on our jobs board and we’ll contact you as the need arises.

PREPARING FOR Y CARES!
To ensure the success of our Y Cares participants, we ask that you pack the following each day:

- A fully charged laptop, charger, and protective case or bag for your child’s device, and headphones. The YMCA does not have devices to provide. Devices may be used for school work only. Please do not send any other valuable items to Y Cares, including phones, jewelry, money, and items of sentimental value.
- Any pre-printed packets or assignments your child will need to complete their schoolwork for that day.
- Y Cares participants are active during the day; appropriate “play clothes” that can get wet/dirty and completely closed toe and heel shoes are required. Dress for the weather, because Y Cares continues rain or shine.
- Don’t forget to pack a bag with your healthy lunch, two healthy snacks, water bottle, and sunscreen. Participants at the Centennial Hills Y and SkyView Y should also pack swim wear, water shoes, goggles, and a towel if they wish to swim.
- Label all of your child’s belongings with their full name (e.g., clothing, towel, water bottle, lunch box, laptop, headphones, and backpack) and check our Lost & Found daily for any missing items.
- Participants ages 10 and older are required to wear a mask.
A Y CARES STUDENT’S TYPICAL DAY

Please note that the following is a sampling of a typical day at Y-Cares. Activity schedules may vary by branch, age group, and academic needs.

7:00 am – Welcome to the Y!
Gear up for a fun day of learning and enrichment with your friends! Participants will start their day at interactive activity stations that include board games, literacy, crafts, and small group games.

8:00 am – YMCA Character Academy
Y Cares participants will develop their leadership and social-emotional skills, while building strong character values through our Y Ties Initiative.

8:30 – Fuel Up
Fuel up for a fun day of learning with a healthy snack before breaking into learning groups.

9:00 am – Engage Your Brain
Participants will receive guided distance learning support and homework help from our dedicated Y staff. Please bring all materials needed for successful educational periods.

11:00 am – Brain Break
Let’s take a break! Participants will participate in enrichment activities like group games, sports, challenges, and more!

12:00 pm – Lunch
Refuel with a healthy lunch before diving in to the second half of our day! A well-rounded lunch is provided at our Heinrich, Durango Hills, and SkyView locations.

1:00 pm – Adventure Time
Cool off in our indoor pool (Centennial Hills and SkyView locations only) or climb to new heights at our indoor rock wall (Heinrich location only).

2:00 pm – Engage Your Brain
Participants will receive guided distance learning support and homework help from our dedicated Y staff. Please bring all materials needed for successful educational periods.

3:30 pm – Mad Science
Y Cares participants will dive into the world of STEM, exploring ancient inventions, eruptions, code, and more!

4:30 pm – Flex Those Muscles
Led by our YMCA Homeschool PE instructors, Y Cares participants will get active through games, sports, and circuit training.

5:30 pm – Campfire
Wind down, and enjoy a healthy snack as we gather to celebrate today’s achievements and participate in interactive activity stations.

6:00 pm – Have a great day!
Rest up for another day of learning and adventure! We will see you tomorrow!
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