



YMCA BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Will homework time be incorporated into the schedule?

Yes, one hour of homework time is provided in our afterschool programs. If children do not have homework they may choose a quiet activity such as: reading or coloring until everyone is done their homework.

Is drop in care available?

Our program is licensed through the New Jersey Office of Licensing and we are required to maintain staff to children ratios. We do not permit drop in care and ask parents to commit for a month to ensure ratios and the safety of the children.

What activities are included in the program?

The program will have a schedule which is homework, snack, physical activity (at least 30 minutes) daily, Healthy U program (2-3 times per week), STEM, Arts and Crafts, games and more.

Do you accept state subsidy?

Yes, we accept state subsidy, as well as Inspira and Complete Care. If you are denied by Rutgers for state subsidy, you can apply for our Y-Cares Financial Assistance.

Are staff First Aid and CPR certified?

Yes, all of our staff are required to maintain a valid Red Cross First Aid and CPR certification.

Are your staff background checked?

Our staff are background checked and fingerprinted through NJ Department of Education and NJ Department of Health and Services.

What hours are included?

Our program will operate from the end of school (full or half day) to 6:00 PM.

What happens if I don't need every month?

Parents register each month, if care is not needed for a month; simply don't register and pay for the month. If you are on automatic debit, it is important to notify the YMCA, so we don't draft your account for a month that you do not need care.