

Downriver Family YMCA After School Program Informational Packet

The Downriver YMCA provides after school care for children attending the following schools:

Wyandotte:

Garfield Elementary
Jefferson Elementary
Washington Elementary
Monroe Elementary

Lincoln Park:

Hoover Elementary
Paun Elementary
Foote Elementary
Carr Elementary
Raupp Elementary
Lafayette Elementar

For those YMCA programs that are state licensed (currently only Wyandotte schools), we can accept children whose families qualify for financial assistance from the Family Independent Agency. YMCA scholarships are available for children whose families do not qualify for FIA assistance, but can prove financial need. Request forms are available at the front desk for your convenience.

The Downriver Family YMCA provides a child-focused curriculum at each after school center. We seek to provide programming that will spark the children's imaginations, build on their natural interests and talents, provide new experiences, and open the door to discovery. Creativity is nurtured. Independent thinking is supported. Cooperative behavior is encouraged.

In YMCA SACC children find a place where they can gather in a safe environment learning and developing important social skills. Our mission is to work in partnership with Downriver families offering an affordable child care program that provides a secure, comfortable and encouraging environment, promoting self-esteem and respect for others.

Downriver Family YMCA School Age Care Programs:

- Offer a safe environment that fosters development
- Employ qualified, well-trained staff, certified in CPR/First Aid/AED/Oxygen Administration/Child Safe
- Encourage staff-parent interaction
- Balance activities to include structured and unstructured time, teacher-directed and child-initiated experiences in a range of activities
- Capitalize on the interests of the children and opportunities for informal, social learning

- Communicate clear, consistent expectations and limits to the children

At YMCA SACC we expect of our participants the following:

To refrain from using bad language or obscene gestures

To refrain from name calling or teasing

To refrain from threatening behavior against other participants or staff

To refrain from leaving the group without notifying staff

To refrain from destroying school, YMCA, or other participants property

To refrain from bringing any object that could be used as a weapon to the

YMCA program

To be responsible for cleaning up after themselves

To follow directions given by YMCA staff and other adults

To be respectful to other people who are in the school or YMCA

To follow the four core values of the YMCA: RESPECT, HONESTY, CARING, AND RESPONSIBILITY.

Failure to follow the rules above may lead to expulsion from the SACC program.

Hours and Rates

After School Hours: Monday thru Friday from school dismissal to 6:00p.m. Taft Elementary is picked up and transported by bus to Jefferson Elementary. All other elementary schools stay on site except on half days when they are transported by bus to the Downriver Family YMCA.

Fees: \$30---2010-2011 School Year Registration

Rates: \$9.00 per day for after school care

\$42.75 per week for Monday thru Friday

\$5.00 per day for am care.

\$14.00 for half days that do not fall on your regular scheduled day

Sibling Rate—10% discount after first child

Common Questions

Am I charged for days I do not use?

Yes. However, if your child is ill and out of school for one week or more a credit will be given upon receipt of a doctor's note at the Downriver Family YMCA.

Is a credit given for snow days?

No, a credit is not given for a snow day.

Can I change my schedule?

Yes. Notify the YMCA in writing at least two weeks prior to the change. All schedule changes take effect at the beginning of the new period (Monday) and your account will be charged through the end of the period (Friday). Forms are available at the front desk and online for your convenience.

How do I sign up?

You can sign up at the Downriver Family YMCA and all paperwork must be completed at the time of registration. A copy of your child's shot records is required before the first day of care. The first month of child care is due at the time of registration.

When are my payments due?

Statements are sent out on or around the 15th of every month and the payments are due on the first of every month. All late payments are subject to a \$10.00 late fee.

Where does my child go on half days?

Children are transported after school to the YMCA for swimming, sports, and fun. Please be sure to pack a lunch, snack, swim suit and towel.

If I am running late for pick up what do I do?

We always appreciate a phone call to the school site but late charges will still apply. Parents will be charged at a rate of \$1.00 per minute for the first 10 minutes and \$2.00 a minute there after for each minute after 6:00p.m. Late fees will be automatically added to your account.

Can I add just one day of latchkey?

Yes. It must be done in writing and submitted to the Downriver Family YMCA no later than 2p.m. The charge will be applied to your account.

Can I turn my payment or paperwork in at the school site?

No. All payments and paperwork, including registration forms, schedule changes, terminations, doctor's notes, health appraisals, etc. must be turned in at the front desk of the Downriver YMCA.

Is a snack provided?

No. Please be sure to pack a snack if your child is attending after school care.

Is a membership required?

No.

