



FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT®
FOR HEALTHY LIVING
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

YMCA Partnership with Eckerd Connects, Directions for Living, Youth and Family Alternatives, Lutheran Family Services and Kids Central, Inc.

Guidelines

- Any youth/teen, through age 21, that is a part of the program, now has free access to our YMCA of Suncoast facilities only. This access is only for the YMCA of the Suncoast locations.
- Youth/teen ages 12 – 21 can enter a YMCA facility without a parent/guardian or designated adult. You will be required to complete a Member Engagement form filled out and signed by the parent/guardian or designated adult prior to them coming to the YMCA. Youth/teen ages 12 – 21 are allowed enter a YMCA facility without a parent/guardian or designated adult. Parents/guardians are responsible for the youth's behavior. Should you feel that your child cannot be responsible to follow our policies and procedures or left without direct supervision, it is your responsibility to supervise and stay with your child. A Member Engagement form must be filled out and signed by the parent/guardian or designated adult prior to the youth coming to the YMCA.
- Parents/Guardians or designated adults may visit the YMCA along with the youth/teens at no charge as long as they participate in activities with the youth/teen. Our pools, basketball courts, fitness centers (**check for age guidelines**), activity centers, etc, are available for the youth/teens and their families. Family household members are not permitted to drop the youth/teen off in our Kid Zone and then use areas of the YMCA on their own. The purpose of the access is for youth/teen and families to participate in activities together.
- Birth children of foster parents are also welcome to access the YMCA and participate as a family unit.
- If adults wish to use the YMCA facility on their own, they must establish a YMCA membership. The YMCA offers financial assistance; no one is ever turned away due to inability to pay. Please check with your local Y for fees and information regarding our financial assistance program.
- If multiple youth/teens are under one household, a form must be filled out for each youth/teen. The access is for each youth/teen, not the family.
- Youth/teens with current YMCA facility access that move to a different home/address, will already be in our system, but **we would** require an updated Member Engagement form.
- Youth/teens will also have access to all YMCA programs/classes and will be charged our member rates. The YMCA also offers financial assistance for the programs/classes we offer. Please check with the Y facility for program/class fees and financial assistance information. The Y offers programs like swim lessons, swim team, soccer, basketball, dance, karate, after school activities, summer camp and so, so much more.