



NorthWest Family YMCA Afterschool Program

2010 – 2011 Top 10 Questions:

1. What schools does the YMCA pick up from?

A. Currently we pick up from:

Ballentine Elementary

H.E. Corley Elementary

River Springs Elementary

Irmo Elementary

Dutch Fork Elementary

Oak Pointe Elementary

Crossroads Middle

Dutch Fork Middle

To pick up from another school, we must have 10 students enrolled- please contact Kenny Mills @ ex.26 if you are interested in being picked up from another school.

2. How do I register?

A. Please stop by the NorthWest Family YMCA and see our member services staff to register.

3. Do I have to be a member to register?

A. To receive the member discount, each child must be on a family membership. If the child is not a member and wishes to participate, they would only need to pay the program member rate. (slightly higher)

4. What is your registration fee?

A. Our registration fee is \$25.00 per child up to \$50 per family (non-refundable); must be paid prior to attendance

5. What are your rates?

A. We offer monthly rates: (We no longer offer weekly rates)
\$170 per month for YMCA members
\$250 per month for Non-member

6. What would my students' afternoon consist of?

- A. After your student arrives at the YMCA, they will be broken into age and gender appropriate huddles. There, they will eat snack (provided by YMCA) and receive a short devotion or thought of the day. Homework support and assistance is then offered to those students who require help. During and after homework assistance, huddles will participate in various scheduled activities such as group games, arts & crafts, fitness classes, swimming and much more. Check out starts at 4:30 PM and scheduled activities will run through 6:00 PM, when check out ends.

7. What do you offer when students are out of school?

- A. We run on Lexington / Richland District 5's school calendar. When schools are out for teacher work days, holidays, or scheduled vacations, the YMCA provides care with some exceptions. (please see list) **Student must be registered at least 1 day in advance to attend All Day Out; NO MORNING OF REGISTRATIONS!**

8. How are payments collected?

- A. We offer a convenient and safe monthly bank draft payment option. Monies for Afterschool are drafted on 1st of the month of service. If you choose to pay every other week, your drafts will begin on the 1st of the month and then again on the 15th.
- B. There is a \$30 fee for returned drafts. Students will not be picked up from school unless all balances are paid in full and all accounts are current.

9. My child went home sick from school isn't going at all, do I need to contact the YMCA?

- A. YES! Please call the Afterschool Coordinator to make sure that we aren't preparing to pick up your child at school. Please call by 12 noon.

10. If schools are closed due to inclement weather, does the YMCA offer Childcare?

- A. No. The YMCA does not provide childcare when schools are closed due to inclement weather.

For more information, please contact:

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