

Inclement Weather Policy

Throughout the year, it is possible to encounter events that could cause delayed starts or program closure (power outage, flooding, snow, etc.). Please have a BACK UP PLAN for alternate care for your child during these situations.

CLOSURE BEFORE SCHOOL DAY STARTS

In the event of school closure related to inclement events, we will make every attempt to provide alternative program options. Decisions about our ability to provide care are based on staff arriving safely to work and children being safe while in our care. Program offerings are made on a day-to-day basis based on the current conditions and will be posted no later than 6:00 am.

DELAYED STARTS

In the event the school district implements a delayed start before the school day begins, we will operate on the same delayed start schedule for any operational morning program. (i.e. 1 hour delayed start = YMCA starting 1 hour later than normal).

If schools announce a delayed start after Before School programming begins, we will make every attempt to schedule staff to stay for the duration. We may be forced to release students to the school if YMCA staff cannot stay later. If a school closure is announced after the Before School program has started the YMCA onsite program will also close. You will be asked to pick up your child or send an approved alternative pick up person. Alternative all day programming will be made based on the current conditions and be announced on our website.

UNSCHEDULED EARLY RELEASE SCHOOL CLOSURE

If your school district implements an unscheduled early release due to extreme conditions, our after school programs may not operate due to staff availability. We will make every attempt to operate as normal, however, program closure or early pick up is possible.

Please keep an eye on our website, email and Class Dojo app for the most up-to-date information.

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