



TEEN MEMBERSHIP

Welcome to the Y community! We are so happy you decided to join our organization. The Y strives to be a pillar of the community and get members of the community of all ages to work towards a healthy life physically, mentally, and emotionally. Once you join the Y, you will not only have access to a number of different opportunities but also be able to use any Y in Whatcom County or in Washington with your active membership.

AS A TEEN MEMBER YOU CAN:

- ▶ **Access to the gym/wellness center if 15+ without supervision from an adult, without taking a class prior**
- ▶ **Access to climbing area during community climb and sign up for discounted classes and clubs.**
- ▶ **Access to open swim times, discounted swim lessons, and swim team.**
- ▶ **Access to a variety of in-person and virtual classes offered to members for free or at discounted prices**
- ▶ **Access to racket ball courts and basketball court**
- ▶ **Participate in open gym and drop-in sports**
- ▶ **Take part in volunteer opportunities**
- ▶ **Access to free teen climb and swim times after checking in with the teen center (grades 6-12)**
- ▶ **Get a unlimited free guest passes**



CODE OF CONDUCT

The YMCA is committed to providing a positive atmosphere that is safe and inclusive to all in our community. The YMCA has adopted a code of conduct to govern the actions and behavior of all people while in Y facilities and while participating in Y programs.

INDIVIDUALS ARE EXPECTED TO:

- Uphold the Y core values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility.
- Provide an atmosphere free of derogatory or unwelcome comments, conduct or actions of a sexual nature, or actions based on an individual's gender, race, ethnicity, age, religion, disability, sexual orientation, or any other legally protected status.
- Be respectful and cooperative with Y staff and others.

THE FOLLOWING WILL NOT BE TOLERATED AT THE Y OR Y PROGRAMS:

- Inappropriate attire (immodest, vulgar, sexually explicit or revealing.) Shoes, shorts and shirt are required in the facility. Swimsuits are limited to the pools and locker rooms.
- Obscene or suggestive tattoos must be covered. Those dressed inappropriately will be instructed to change clothes, cover up, or to leave the Y property.
- Angry or vulgar language including swearing, bullying or name calling.
- Physical contact in any angry or threatening way.
- Sexual conversation, actions or contact with another person.
- Harassing (bullying) intimidation including words, gestures, or body language.
- Theft or destruction of property.
- Carrying or concealing any weapons.
- Using or being under the influence of marijuana, illegal drugs or alcohol.
- Use of tobacco, cigarettes, smokeless tobacco and e-cigarettes. All YMCA property offers a smoke-free, tobacco-free, smokeless tobacco-free and e-cigarette free environment.

Individuals who experience or observe inappropriate conduct are encouraged to promptly report their concern to Y staff. Every effort will be made to ensure that reports are investigated and resolved promptly and effectively. Failure to follow this code of conduct will result in disciplinary actions, which may include immediate eviction from the premises, loss of privileges, suspension or expulsion. The Y may contact police or other authorities for assistance or to take appropriate legal action.

Thank you for your cooperation in creating a safe, welcoming and positive environment for all people at the Y.



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FACILITY AGE REQUIREMENTS:

Youth age 11 must be in direct supervision of an adult at all times OR in a YMCA supervised activity

Members 12-14 must be directly supervised in the Wellness Center by a parent/guardian or complete a YMCA Teen Strength Training Course

Members 15+ have full use of the cardiovascular and weight equipment.

Members 14+ can take belay certification course

GUEST PASS:

Teen members may have unlimited guests passes. Passes are limited to one per guest per calendar year.

REGISTERING FOR PROGRAMS:

Participants may register for programs in-person or via telephone with the welcome desk or online

FINANCIAL AID:

The Y is committed to providing access and opportunity regardless of ability to pay. Financial assistance applications are available online or at our facility.

WHO TO CONTACT WITH QUESTIONS

Teen Program Questions: Jessie Collins 360.746.8444 or email jcollins@whatcomymca.org

All Other Questions: Front Desk 360.733.8630



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By accepting the FREE Teen Membership offered as a part of the Teen Drop-in and Y REACH programs, you are agreeing to the following:

CONDITIONS OF MEMBERSHIP

Member Health: The applicant represents that he/she is in physically sound condition and understand participation in aerobics and other exercise weight training, recreational sports and use of pools, and fitness equipment carry a potential risk of injuries or illness. The applicant understands the Whatcom Family YMCA assumes no responsibility for any such injury or illness.

Member Conduct and Right to Use the Facility: Applicant agrees to abide by all policies and procedures of the Whatcom Family YMCA and its branches and understands failure to act in accordance with these rules may result in expulsion from the YMCA and revocation of the membership.

Criminal History: The applicant acknowledges it is the policy of the Whatcom Family YMCA to deny membership to any individual registered as a sex offender.

Property Loss: The applicant understands the Whatcom Family YMCA is not responsible for personal property lost, damaged or stolen while using YMCA facilities for participating in YMCA programs.

Photograph Permission: The applicant hereby grants permission for the YMCA to use, without limitation or obligation, photographs or other media that may include the members image or voice to promote or interpret YMCA programs.

Insurance: The applicant understands the Whatcom Family YMCA does not provide any accident or health insurance for its members of participants and further understands it is the applicants responsibility to provide such coverage.

Membership Billing: Any discrepancies to membership billing must be brought to the YMCA's attention within 90 days. The YMCA is not liable for any discrepancies to membership billing issues past 90 days.

RELEASE OF WAIVER & LIABILITY

I am aware that participation in YMCA programs and use of the YMCA facilities may involve certain hazards associated with equipment, physical exertion, games, sports and other programs/activities offered by the YMCA. In consideration of, and as part payment or, the right to use YMCA facilities and participate in YMCA programs, I will hold harmless the YMCA (YMCA includes its employees, volunteers, directors, officers and agents) for damages of any type, including permanent physical injuries or death, arising out of the ordinary negligence of the participation in YMCA programs. I fully understand and agree I am waiving all claims I may have against the YMCA arising out of the ordinary negligent acts by the YMCA, and I agree I will not bring a lawsuit against the YMCA arising out of its ordinary negligence. If any portion of the Release is held invalid, I agree the remainder shall continue to be enforceable.