



FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT®
FOR HEALTHY LIVING
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

FAQS

EDU-CHILDCARE PROGRAM

When does the program start?

The program starts the first day of school in your school district.

What time is the program open?

Each location has the times of the program listed in their registration packet as well as cost for the program and included services. The times are based upon the times school is in session for the districts the branch serves.

Who is eligible for this program?

Any child attending distance learning in elementary school. Each location serves its local school district, see registration packet for participating school districts.

What are the children going to do?

See sample schedule posted at GV-YMCA.org however schedules are subject to change to meet the needs of the children and the program location. The structure of the day supports block scheduling like many school districts in the Lehigh Valley. Children will have time to complete assigned schoolwork, extracurricular activities, physical education, and meal/snacks.

Who will be with the children?

YMCA employed staff. All staff has provisional approved clearances through PA state licensing.

What school supplies do I need to bring?

Participants are to bring all distance learning materials needed for the school day. Required materials could be a laptop/Chromebook/tablet, compatible headphones, school books/worksheets, etc.

What is your policy on masks?

Masks are to be worn by all people entering the building ages 2 and older that includes adults and siblings at pick up and drop off. Families are asked to supply their own masks or face covering, any kind of covering will be acceptable. Anyone over the age of 2 years of age will not be permitted in the building without masks. Although masks are required children will not be forced to wear masks. Masks will not be worn during times of eating, sleeping, or vigorous activities. This policy will be in place as long as the governor requires masks to be worn.

What other COVID-19 policies are in place?

- **Temperature Checks-** the temperature will be taken of everyone that comes in the building. We will also be adding a mid-day temperature check for all children and staff daily. If there is a temperature of 100.0 or higher we will not allow entry for the individual or anyone in the household or same vehicle; families with temperature 100.0 or higher will be denied access until 24 hours fever free with no medication.
- **Pick up/drop off procedures-** outside if possible and weather permitting.



FAQS CONTINUED

How are you going to handle a child that becomes sick while in care (not COVID-19 related)?

The child will be isolated from the rest of the children; family will be contacted and the child will be removed from care until they are 24 hours free of symptoms without medication. The materials and area the child was playing with will be sanitized before being used by any other staff or children.

How are you going to handle a suspected case of COVID-19?

The child and/or household member will be isolated from the rest of the children if they are in the building, family will be contacted and the child will be removed from care until they are 24 hours free of symptoms without medication. The materials and area the child was playing with will be sanitized before being used by any other staff or children. An administrative staff member will contact the local board of health for the most current policies and next steps.

How are you going to handle a confirmed case of COVID-19 or if someone is being tested?

The child and/or household member will be isolated from the rest of the children if they are in the building, family will be contacted and the child will be removed from care until they are 24 hours free of symptoms without medication. The materials and area the child was playing with will be sanitized before being used by any other staff or children. An administrative staff member will contact the local board of health for the most current policies and next steps. Families will be notified via email of the confirmed case, location within the building and a sign will be posted at check in/out.

How are we social distancing the children?

We will do our best to keep children 6 feet apart as recommended by the CDC however, as you are all caregivers of children, please recognize that this may not always be possible. We are currently devising plans to separate children during nap times more than the 2 feet required by licensing, creating individual bins for children with toys and art materials to minimize sharing, and removing activities from our lesson plans that require contact.

Is subsidized child care accepted?

Yes, families are encouraged to reach out to their case manager for their approved schedule. Summary paperwork from the participating agency is required at time of registration.

Do you offer Financial Assistance?

Yes, interested families should print out the Financial Assistance Application located at GV-YMCA.org and submit to the YMCA as soon as possible.

What forms of payment are accepted?

Cash, check, money order, credit cards (VISA, MASTERCARD, AMEX, and DISCOVER)

What are the group sizes the children will be in?

1 staff to 12 children

