

2010-11 Calendar

Program runs

9/13/10 to 6/14/11

Preschool Plus Program

does NOT run the following days:

Oct 11, 2010 Columbus Day
Nov 2, 2010 Staff Development Day
Nov 11, 2010 Veteran's Day
Nov 24-25, 2010 Thanksgiving Recess
Dec 24-Jan 2, 2011 Winter Recess
January 17, 2011 MLK Day
Feb 21-25, 2011 Early Spring Recess *
March 18, 2011 Staff Development Day
April 18-22, 2010 Spring Recess *
May 30, 2011 Memorial Day

** YTime Program available. Note: Registration and payment for Preschool Playhouse Program is separate. See front desk for details.

Holidays/Inclement Weather

The YMCA Preschool Plus Program follows the Ken Ton School District calendar. Our program closes on holidays and inclement weather situations when local schools are closed.

Announcements regarding the Ken Ton YMCA closing due to inclement weather will be aired on WGRZ-TV, WIVB-TV, WKBW-TV as well as local radio stations.

YMCA Buffalo Niagara Mission Statement

YMCA Buffalo Niagara is an inclusive association of people committed to a common effort to help individuals and families reach their fullest potential in terms of Spirit, Mind and Body.

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Preschool Plus Information



Policies & Procedures

Registration

Registration for the Preschool Plus Program is required to ensure proper staffing and supplies 1 week in advance. Calendars are available at the front desk to mark days and make payment in full for your child.

Credits

Credits due to medical conditions lasting more than 3 days will be given only when a medical excuse is presented from physician or hospital. The excuse must be submitted within 10 days of a child's absence from the program. All credit requests must be submitted to the Office Manager.

Fees

\$ 8.50 per day	YPreK Educ Participants & YMCA Member
\$ 10.50 per day	YMCA Member
\$ 12.50 per day	Non Member

Financial Assistance

The YMCA strives to provide quality programming for all people, regardless of their ability to pay a required fee. Within its available resources, YMCA Buffalo Niagara will award partial financial assistance to those who qualify, after completion of our confidential application process. A limited amount of assistance, available through our Strong Kids Campaign, is awarded based on need and our ability to fund the subsidy. Please contact the front desk for Details.

Preschool Staff

All YMCA preschool staff are carefully selected based on education and experience. The Preschool staff attend trainings related to working with children 0-5 years old, classroom management, communication and activity planning. Staff members are also required to complete YMCA Orientation, Child Abuse Prevention Training and background check prior to starting their positions.

Health Information

A 2010-11 Preschool Information Form MUST be completed and turned in before your child may begin our program.

IMMUNIZATION RECORDS for your child are required to be submitted before your child may begin our program.

Injury/Illness

In case of minor injury, YMCA staff will administer first aid and you will be informed of the incident when you pick your child up. If your child becomes ill, the teacher will attempt to contact a parent or guardian or an individual listed on your child's emergency contact list.

Drop-Off/Pick Up

Please come prepared with ID to pick up your child as no one will be allowed to leave without proper authorization.

Preschool Plus doors will open at 12:00 pm and 2:25 pm. Please be prompt when picking up your child.

Check our bulletin board for announcements, messages & weekly lesson plans.

Please be sure to sign your child IN and Out each day they attend class. If there is something we need to be aware of for that particular day please let us know.

Change of Clothing

Please label **ALL** of your child's clothing, rest towel, and belongings that are brought to school.

Behavior

Safety is our number one priority! A child is spoken to verbally regarding any inappropriate behavior. If the behavior continues, the child will receive a timeout and the parents will be notified.

Daily Program Components

- Gross Motor/Movement Activities
- Lunch Time (12:30 pm). Child MUST bring their own bagged lunch each day
- Rest Time (Please provide towel)
- Fine Motor/Art Activities
- Music and Language Activities
- Learning Center Activities
- Circle/Story time
- Character Development

Program Satisfaction Surveys

YMCA Buffalo Niagara welcomes and appreciates your feedback regarding our programs. We ask that you participate in our parent satisfaction survey which takes place in fall and spring. Your feedback is critical in maintaining and improving quality of service we provide for you and your children.

