Hello Parents,

We have worked tirelessly to stay on top of the ever changing protocols for this coming school year. All programs that are licensed under the Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) are mandated to make the following changes to their programs in the fall. Please review and let us know if you have any questions or concerns. You can reach Debbie Rogalski, Children’s Services Director at 716-433-6714 or drogaliski@ywcanf.org.

Pick up and drop off procedures:

Prior to leaving home please take your child’s temperature, if it is higher than 100 degrees or they are showing flu like symptoms please keep them home. Once you arrive at site do not leave your car. Call the site cell phone, the Site Safety Monitor will come out to the car and do a brief daily covid-19 screening. It is mandated by OCFS parents or guardians at this time will not be allowed into the building at any time, we will sign your child in. If you are expecting to have someone other than yourself drop off your child please let them know of the new drop off procedures. After drop off if your child starts to have a temperature or show symptoms of illness you will be called to pick them up.

When you are picking up in the afternoon please stay in your car and call the site cell phone. The Site Safety Monitor will get your child and bring them to your car. It is mandated by OCFS parents or guardians will not be allowed into the building at this time, we will sign your child out. If you are expecting to have someone other than yourself pick up your child please make sure they are on file for pick up and let them know of the new pick up procedures.

Social Distancing:

Per OCFS regulations morning and afternoon programs will now be broken into teams of ten students with one team lead staff member. Students will stay in their teams the entire time they are at program. Teams will consist of the same students and team lead every day and for every activity that the child participates in (going to the gym, snack, quiet play, etc.). Children’s belongings will now be kept with them in their team areas.

Staff will be screened each morning for Covid-19 prior to starting their shift. Staff will be required to wear face coverings their entire shift. Teams will be social distanced from each other.

Cleaning and Protective measures:

Children will have access to toys, board games, and writing utensils in their teams. All materials will be sanitized at the end of program every day. Common areas will be sanitized frequently during program time. Students will be asked to wash their hands multiple times during program time (upon arrival at program, between all program activities, after using the restroom, before and after eating, leaving to go home or to class). Staff will wear masks their entire shift.

Please keep in mind that this is a novel experience for everyone, changing guidelines and school district regulations may affect the above listed procedures. We will continue to update you on guidelines and regulations. Thank you for your continued support we look forward to seeing you all in the fall!

The YWCA Staff