CENTRAL CONNECTICUT COAST YMCA
School Age Child Care Safety

Safety is our first priority. All Central Connecticut Coast YMCA school age child care programs will follow all the guidelines set by the CDC, CT Office of Early Childhood (OEC), our local health department, our Board of Education, Y-USA, and other sources to ensure our policies and procedures are aligned to keep our children, staff and volunteers healthy and safe.

Health screenings: All staff, volunteers and children are required to be screened for any observable illness, including cough or respiratory distress, and to confirm temperature below 100 degrees Fahrenheit each day on arrival. Screening includes assessing health by taking temperature.

- YMCA staff will be prepared to take a child’s temperature with a touchless thermometer; parents may take their own child’s temperature upon arrival, as long as they show the temperature to the YMCA staff.
- Thermometers will be disinfected.

Staff or children who have a temperature greater than 100 degrees are not permitted into the program and are required to be unmedicated and fever free for at least 48 hours.

All groups will have a limited size based on standards set by the OEC and Connecticut Department of Public Health. Each group will be separated and distanced from all other groups.

Any staff or child that develops an elevated temperature or who may be ill, will be put into an isolated area until they can be picked up.

Face masks:
- All staff, volunteers and adults will wear face coverings in the program.
- The CCCY will follow all State and Local recommendations concerning child masks!

Hand hygiene: Regular hand washing with soap and water for at least 20 seconds will be done.

- Before coming in contact with any child
- Before and after eating
- After sneezing, coughing or nose blowing
- After using the restroom
- Before handling food
- After touching or cleaning surfaces that may be contaminated
- After using any shared equipment like toys, computer keyboards, mouse

If soap and water are not available, alcohol-based hand sanitizer will be available. Use of alcohol-based hand sanitizers will be supervised by staff.

Cleaning protocol: Additional procedures will be put into place to ensure surfaces and areas are sanitized between usages, per guidelines put forth by the OEC and local BOE. This will include surfaces and areas sanitized between usage with cleaning products approved by the OEC.

Communications: Families are required to sign the OEC waiver and the CCC Y waiver prior to the first day of programming. If a child or staff member who has been present in the program is diagnosed with COVID-19, the YMCA will notify families and staff in the program about the exposure.

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Please note that these protocols are important to ensure the health and safety of our children, families, volunteers and staff. All safety measures are subject to change per State of CT, Governor Lamont, Health Department, Board of Education or YMCA needs.