

COMMUNITY YMCA JANUARY 2026 NEWSLETTER



SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL AGE

Dear Kindergarten Families,

We hope you and your family had a fantastic holiday season and are looking forward to all the New Year has to offer! Your thoughtfulness during the holidays was greatly appreciated, as your generous gifts, contributions to our holiday celebration, and continuous support for our program mean so much to us. Our staff will participate in their first professional development day, which is scheduled for January 19. Please note that the OST program will be closed on this day to allow all staff members to attend.

The upcoming session of SLC clubs will kick off in the first week of January. If you haven't done so yet, kindly email your child's chosen clubs to KaylaP@cyedc.org if your child is enrolled in the Out of School Time (OST) program from 3:00 to 6:00 PM at ETR. After you have reached out to Miss Kayla, a participation [permission slip](#) will be sent home, which must be filled out for your child to join.

Warm regards,
Marisa Gonzales & Domonique Childs

Important Dates

- 1/1: Program Closed
- 1/2: OST Care Provided
- 1/16: Care will be provided for AM YMCA Enrichment (PM SLC) students
- 1/19: Program Closed for Staff In-Service



Character Is Cool

Caring, Honesty, Respect, and Responsibility. Each month children will be rewarded for exemplifying the YMCA core values. Our core values will be incorporated into lessons every day. Congratulations to all our December Kindergarten Character Development recipients:

Rylee C., Quinton W., Beau O.,
Mysha J., Judah Q., Evan S.,
Isaiah K., Liliana H., Marc O.
and Sophie G.

Classroom News

Our upcoming themes for January include learning about snowmen, arctic animals and their habitats, Martin Luther King Jr., friendship, and weather, including the famous Punxsutawney Phil.

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Dear First Grade Families,

What a festive month we've had! We crafted gingerbread figures, Christmas ornaments, coffee filter snowflakes, and cheerful snowmen. We also enjoyed a Holidays Around the World-themed Kahoot game and built various magnetic structures using magnet tiles and bells. This month, we plan to create snowflakes using marshmallows and toothpicks, as well as multicultural snowmen. Additionally, we'll have a playful snowball fight with giant cotton balls!

Warm regards,
Kayla Pavlovitch

Important Dates

- 1/1: Program Closed
- 1/2: OST Care Provided 7am-6pm at ETR, please pack a lunch, snack and water bottle.
- 1/16: Early Dismissal-Please pack a lunch.
- 1/19: Program Closed for Staff In-Service.

Don't forget to pack hats and gloves for your child as we go outside every morning and afternoon for a brief period to expend some energy and enjoy a bit of exercise.

CONTACT INFO

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Time Director
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Important Tax Information and Statements

When filing your 2025 taxes, here is the YMCA Tax ID#23-1614045. You may be eligible for a tax credit. Go to <https://www.irs.gov/taxtopics/tc602> for more information.

Tax Statements - Families have the ability to print your own tax statements by logging into your CYEDC account. Click [here](#) to view a tutorial, or go to the early learning page of our website and scroll to the bottom. If you would like one printed for you, kindly contact: Brian McGee:

Bmcgee@cyedc.org.

Snow Days & Emergency Closures All Locations

When the Springfield School District is closed, the YMCA program will be closed. If the district opens two hours late, all YMCA locations will open at 9 am. In the event of an early dismissal, due to inclement weather or other emergencies, the Y will only remain open for two hours after dismissal. Please prepare in advance to ensure the safety of your family and our staff.

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Dear Scenic & Sabold Families,

First and foremost, we would like to express our gratitude to our families for their wonderful treats and gifts. Your appreciation resonates with us throughout the year, and we are truly grateful for such amazing families.

In December, we worked on holiday crafts and encouraged our kids to share the various holidays they celebrate, which we then added to our holiday tree. It was a joy to have Scenic and Sabold together during winter break.

As we move into January, we will continue our regular daily schedule while introducing some new games and activities. We are eagerly anticipating another fantastic month ahead. Happy New Year from all of us at the Springfield YMCA!

Warm wishes,
Nichole and Aidan

Important Dates

1/1: Program Closed

1/2: OST Care at Sabold

1/16: Early Dismissal-Please pack a lunch

1/19: Program Closed for Staff In-Service

Donations

As you tidy up your closets and shelves to make space for new games and toys, we kindly ask you to consider donating gently used and complete games and playsets to our OST programs. Our students use these supplies daily, and they often require replenishment.



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Staff In-Service

In our dedication to offering your child an exceptional experience, we require our staff to participate in comprehensive training sessions that enhance their knowledge of child development and learning. Therefore, all early childhood and OST programs will be closed on Martin Luther King Jr. Day, as staff will be engaged in training throughout the day.

The CYEDC is an Equal Opportunity Early Childhood Provider

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Holidays
Express

JANUARY 2026

Pajama Day

Book Reading
in the gym

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Programs Closed	2 OST Care	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16 Early Dismissal	17
18	19 Programs Closed	20	21	22	23	24
24	26	27	28	29	30	31





PARENTS' NIGHT OUT EVENTS

AT THE RIDLEY AREA YMCA

ENJOY YOUR NIGHT WHILE YOUR KIDS HAVE FUN AT THE Y!

PARTY ANIMAL THEME NIGHT!

Includes Pizza & Juice Box, and Ice Cream Sundae

FRIDAY, JANUARY 16
6-9PM

Ages 4 - 12 years

\$20 member, \$40 non-member

LEARN MORE:

Haley Russo
Youth Development Director
610.544.1080, ext. 2208
484.479.3401
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LOTS OF LOVE THEME NIGHT!

Includes Pizza & Juice Box, and Arts & Crafts

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13
6-9PM

Ages 4 - 12 years

\$20 member, \$40 non-member





**REGISTER
NOW**



YMCA of Eastern Delaware County



WINTER ARTS/SPORTS & SWIM PROGRAMS



**SWIM LESSON PROGRAM
SESSION DATES:
JANUARY 5 – MARCH 1, 2026**

**ARTS/SPORTS PROGRAMS
MONTHLY SESSION DATES:
JANUARY: 1.5 – 2.1.2026
FEBRUARY: 2.2 – 3.1.2026**



NEW

SPRINGFIELD YMCA ACTING CLASS

**MONTHLY
PROGRAM**

**SATURDAY
11AM – 12PM
AGES 6 – 10
PATHWAYS ROOM**



MONTHLY PROGRAMS

Member \$63 Non-member \$126

JANUARY: 1.5 – 2.1.2026

FEBRUARY: 2.2 – 3.1.2026



REGISTER NOW



Discover how to gain confidence in public speaking, explore various script formats, and engage in enjoyable acting games.





SPRINGFIELD YMCA

INCLUSIVE

PLAYGROUP

FRIDAYS

6-7:30pm

Child Watch

1/9/26

1/23/26

2/6/26

2/13/26

3/6/26

3/20/26

- \$5 for members per session
- \$10 for non-members per session

**REGISTRATION
REQUIRED**



PARENTS ATTEND AND MAKE CONNECTIONS!

- You do not need to have a child with a disability to attend this playdate.
- You only need a curious child who wants to make friends!

For More Information:
Trevor Gasiorowski
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PLAYGROUP FACILITATED BY:



Christine Yu: Child & Family Specialist



UNITY BREAKFAST



JAN 19, 2026
8:00–9:30AM

Corporate Events Center at
Drexelbrook

4700 Drexelbrook Dr.
Drexel Hill, PA 19026

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

Presenting Sponsor:
Independence 

 **REGISTER NOW**

\$25 Adult
\$15 Children – 12 and under
www.cyedc.org



GUEST SPEAKER:

Dr. Marta Yera Cronin
Delaware County Community College (DCCC)
President

Marta Yera Cronin, Ed.D., is a prominent higher education administrator and first-generation college student from immigrant parents, with over 20 years of experience in community colleges. She became president of Delaware County Community College in July 2023, previously leading Columbia Gorge Community College in Oregon. As the second woman and first Latina president, she emphasizes educational accessibility, dual enrollment programs, and the Center for Equity and Social Justice. Dr. Cronin has held leadership roles in diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives, secured significant funding for capital projects, and holds advanced degrees in education and language.



MLK DAY SKILLS CLINIC & 3 V 3 CHALLENGE



SPRINGFIELD YMCA



**Monday, January 19th
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM**

Skills Clinic: 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM

3 v 3 Challenge: 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM

Boys and Girls (Co-Ed) for Grades 6-9 (Ages 11-15)

3 v 3 Challenge

- Each game will be played to 7 points or until the time limit of 10 minutes is reached (whichever comes first).
- Teams can consist of no more than 4 players.
- We will carefully select teams to ensure fairness.
- Every team will aim to play at least 4 games.
- The team with the most wins will be crowned "THE YMCA MLK DAY BASKETBALL CLINIC/3 V 3 CHALLENGE CHAMPION!"
- *Exciting small prizes will be awarded to the winners!



Clinic conducted by Pro Basketball skill development expert Troy Daniel – considered one of the best worldwide. Troy works with players from PRO, D1 College, and Elite High Schools.



Cost:
\$60 for members
\$120 for non-members





YMCA TOGETHERHOOD FREE FOOD INITIATIVES



PANTRY

YMCA Association Building
Next to Lansdowne YMCA
2104 Garrett Rd. Lansdowne

SHELF STABLE &
MEATS, DAIRY &
ESSENTIALS

WEDNESDAY
4 - 6PM

January 7
January 19 (2- 4pm)
January 21

Special
MLK Day
Opening!

PARKING LOT

Lansdowne YMCA
2110 Garrett Rd.
Lansdowne

FRESH FRUITS
& VEGETABLES

SATURDAY
9AM

January 10
January 17
January 31

Delivery
may arrive
as early as
8:30am



PROUD
PARTNERS:



- Please do not form a line earlier than 2pm.
- Do not hold spaces.
- Must present ID at check-in.
- First come, First serve. No RSVP required.
- Please bring reusable bags.
- Park in Lansdowne Y parking lot.