

COMMUNITY YMCA SEPTEMBER 2026 NEWSLETTER



SPRINGFIELD EARLY LEARNING



Dear Families,

Welcome to the 2026-2027 Early Learning Preschool Program at the Springfield YMCA! We would like to extend a warm welcome to your child and your entire family. The staff are looking forward to another successful school year and are happy to have your family join the YMCA family.

If you have any questions throughout this school year, please do not hesitate to speak to a staff member or call the Early Learning Office at 610.557.9822 or 610.713.5269

Sincerely,
Marisa Gonzales



Marisa Gonzales
Early Learning/Out of
School Time (OST)
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Important Information

Information about weekly themes and class happenings will be posted outside the Preschool classroom and important updates will be sent home in your child's folder. Please be sure to check your child's folder daily.

Nap items will be stored in your child's cubby. Children are permitted to bring one comfort item. Nap items will be sent home every Friday to be washed.

Early Learning tuition is due every Monday. All payments can be paid at the Front Desk, online, or over the phone.

Our hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 7am-6pm. Students are expected to be in class no later than 9am so group learning can take place with minimal classroom disruptions. After 6pm, a fee of \$10 for every 5 minutes will be added to your child's tuition. Please be prompt when picking up your child.



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Classroom News

We are thrilled to start our Early Learning school year! This month we will be spending a lot of time focusing on getting to know one another and our classroom routines, navigating through the classroom, and discussing the classroom rules for the year. These necessary skills help us create a positive classroom environment for our students!!

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Important Dates

9/3 & 9/4 Program Closed, classroom prep
9/7 Program Closed for Labor Day
9/8 First Day of 2026-2027 School Year
9/10 What's the Scoop Night

What's the Scoop Night

What's the Scoop night will be held on Thursday, September 10 5:30-6:30pm. This night will allow you to ask questions to your child's teacher, explore the classroom learning areas and enjoy a sweet treat!



Communication

White boards and bulletin boards located outside the classroom and entrance provide important weekly information about classroom activities and special reminders. Parents are encouraged to speak directly to the classroom staff whenever you have a question regarding daily/weekly activities or other concerns about the program.

In addition to the memo boards, individual child mailboxes will contain your student's paperwork and art projects. Important information will also be sent home by email so please be sure to provide an up-to-date email address.

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Hand Washing

Parents are reminded to escort your child to the bathroom immediately upon entering the facility each day and ensure your child is properly washing before dropping them off in the classroom. Effective hand washing is one of the most important steps in controlling the spread of germs. This is particularly true when children are touching and eating food. Recommendations from the [CDC](#) state that parents and caregivers play a key role in ensuring children wash their hands, setting the stage for lifelong healthy habits. Adults should model appropriate hand washing procedures. Ensure that children and adults wash their hands before setting the table or serving food, before eating and after cleanup.

Emergency Procedure Plans

The early learning center has a written plan detailing how emergencies are to be handled. A summary of this plan is attached for your review so that you have an idea of how we plan to handle emergency situations should they arise. This plan was updated to include natural disasters that could happen in our area. The staff annually review the plan, and a copy is posted in the classroom. Please contact the school office if you have any questions regarding this plan.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

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SEPTEMBER 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3 Program Closed	4 Program Closed	5
6	7 Program Closed for Labor Day	8 First Day of School	9	10 What's the Scoop Night	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			



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to learn more...





Springfield YMCA Preschool and School Age Emergency Procedure Plan

The Department of Human Services, Office of Child Development and Early Learning requires all early childhood centers to have emergency procedures in place for various situations. The Springfield Y early childhood staff review these procedures at staff meetings, and a copy is also posted in each classroom for reference at any time. Here is detailed information regarding those procedures.

In the event of a fire: Staff and children exit the building at the nearest exit, walk the children to Saint Kevin's property directly across the driveway that enters the parking garage. Once in place teachers/staff take attendance and report to the supervisor in charge who then reports to the fire personnel. This drill is practiced at minimum every 60 days throughout the year.

In the event of an Intruder: Classroom doors are locked from the inside and lights are turned off. Staff and children group quietly inside the classroom away from windows and doors. Everyone remains silent until the "all clear" is given by the officers in charge.

In the event of Severe Weather: Staff and children are safest in the preschool classroom, which is located on the lowest level and free from windows. If shelter in place is necessary for weather emergencies, staff will wait for the "all-clear" before moving to other areas of the building.

In the event of earthquake or earth tremor: The children and staff will seek immediate shelter underneath tables and other sturdy furniture until the threat has passed and an all-clear signal is given by the supervisor in charge. **In the event that relocation becomes necessary:** If the staff and children need to be relocated in the immediate area, we will walk the children across the driveway that enters the parking garage and take shelter on the Saint Kevin Parish grounds.

If evacuation from the area becomes necessary, Community Y Buses and vans will aid us in evacuating the staff and children to our Ridley Branch at 90 South Avenue in Secane, PA.

In either event, a notice will be posted as to where the children have been taken for safety, and families will be notified as soon as possible by the staff. Methods of communication may include: CYEDC Global Connect call, a group text, or group email message. After the emergency has been lifted another message will be sent in the same manner.

Emergency forms will accompany the staff in any situation. Please make sure we have current and accurate emergency numbers on file at all times. Also remember to update your Y account information as well.

A copy of this emergency plan is on file with Springfield & Delaware County Emergency Management agencies. If you have any questions regarding the above procedures, please feel free to let us know. Thank you for taking the time to read this information

Marisa Gonzales & Domonique Childs
Early Childhood/OST Directors
Springfield YMCA



BACK HANDSPRING CLINIC

12 TO 1PM
AGES 6 TO 10

SATURDAY OCTOBER 31ST
HALLOWEEN



Athletes are encouraged to
wear Halloween costumes!



Cost:
\$25 for members
\$50 non-members

SPRINGFIELD YMCA



SPRINGFIELD YMCA! FALL SPORTS

ARTS/SPORTS PROGRAMS
MONTHLY (4-WEEK) SESSION DATES:
SEPTEMBER 8 - OCTOBER 4
OCTOBER 5 - NOVEMBER 1

MONTHLY SESSIONS
MEMBER \$63 NON-MEMBER \$126

FALL BASEBALL LEAGUE

Tuesday: 8 WEEK SESSION - Starting September 8

Blue Turf | Ages 4 -7 years

5:15 pm - 7:15 pm

- Introduces the basic fundamentals of baseball to players who may not have played before or who are inexperienced.
- Fun, developmental, low-stakes environment
- This program is an excellent way for kids to make new friends, stay active, and cultivate a lifelong love of baseball.



SPORTS SAMPLER

Wednesday: September Session, October Session

Blue Turf | Ages 3 -5 years

5:15 pm - 6:00 pm Exposes young athletes to a variety of sports.



BASKETBALL CLINICS

Thursday: September Session, October Session

Bball Court B | Ages 6 -9 years

5:15pm - 6pm

Dribble, Passing, Shooting and Teamwork! These are the core skills emphasized in our basketball clinics designed to nurture young athletes' abilities on the court.



3V3 BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Thursday: September Session, October Session

Bball Court B | Ages 10 -13 years

6pm - 7pm

Coed, beginner to intermediate level





FALL BASEBALL LEAGUE

INDOOR
8 week
League
Starting
September 8



TUESDAYS
SPRINGFIELD YMCA

Starting September 8
Ages 4 -7 years
5:15 pm – 7:15 pm



REGISTER
NOW!

www.cyedc.org
610.557.9622

Members \$126 Non-member \$252



PARENTS' NIGHT OUT



UNDER THE SEA PARTY

Friday, September 25th

6-9pm

Ridley Area YMCA

4 – 12 years

- Pizza and juice box provided

\$20 members
\$40 non-members



RIDLEY AREA YMCA



FRIDAY OCTOBER 16
6:30-8:00pm

TRUNK **or** TREAT

Contact Haley to
register your car!
484.479.3401
hruuso@cyedc.org

FEES PER CHILD -
\$10 MEMBERS
\$20 NON-MEMBERS



RIDLEY AREA YMCA! FALL SPORTS LEAGUES

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YOUTH FLAG FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Saturday September 12th – October 17th

Back field | Ages 7-12 years

11:00am – 1:00 pm

ADULT FLAG FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Saturday September 12th – October 17th

Back field | Ages 18+

9:00am – 11:00am



SOCCER STARS LEAGUE

Monday September 14th – October 12th

Back field

2-3-year-olds: 6:00pm – 6:45pm

4-5-year-olds: 6:00pm – 6:45pm