

SPRINGFIELD SCOOP



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A NEWSLETTER FOR OUR SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL AGE FAMILIES

A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTORS

Dear Parents-

We hope you and your family had a wonderful Thanksgiving and are looking forward to the holiday season. As we move along to another month of School Age programming we wanted you to know that we are thankful for the opportunity to have your child in our program.

We wish to extend our warmest wishes to you and your family this holiday season. We hope you enjoy every minute of the holiday season with your child. As you know, they grow up so fast and the beautiful memories that you create will last a lifetime. Have a happy, healthy and safe New Year.

Sincerely,

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Child Care Director

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First Grade Director

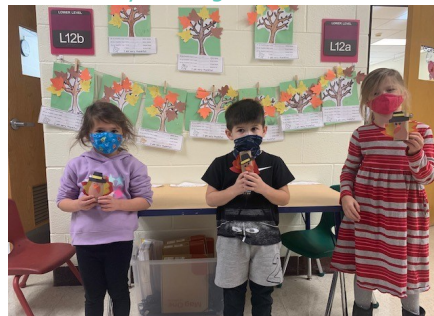
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LOOKING INTO THE FUTURE

December 24-25 **CLOSED**

December 28-30 Child care only

December 31-1 **CLOSED**

January 4- School Reopens

A sign-up sheet will be located at the drop off/pick areas starting Monday, December 14th for Child Care Only days.



Virtual and Hybrid Learning Reminders

- Send in all school materials daily
 - * pencils, glue sticks, crayons, color pencils, scissors, pencil sharpener.
- Afternoon Snack
- Charge all devices each night
- Send charger in daily in the event a recharge is needed
- Headphones with a microphone are **REQUIRED** each day
- Please send all required school workbooks with your child on their

CHARACTER IS COOL!

Caring, Honesty, Respect, and Responsibility. Each month children will be rewarded for exemplifying the YMCA care values. Our core values will be incorporated into lessons each and every day.

Emma Maynard, Max Ashleigh, Camilla Pavone, Violet Whitney, Donald Casey, Brynn DeBerardinis, Abigail Swider, Seamus Ryan, Patrick Murphy



READING CORNER



Increase your child's vocabulary and help develop the LOVE OF READING! This month head to the library and check out one of these wonderful books!

Seven Candles of Kwanzaa

By: Andrea Davis Pinkey

Snowmen at Christmas

By: Caralyn Buehner



Happy Hanukkah

By: Linda Glaser

SPECIAL REMINDERS

Parents and family members are reminded of these important items:

- ◆ Continue to monitor your child's symptoms every morning
- ◆ If your child experiences any of the following symptoms in the chart below

Group A 1 or more symptoms	Group B 2 or more symptoms	
Cough	Sore throat	Headache
Shortness of breath	Chills	Congestion or runny nose
Difficulty breathing	Muscle pain	Nausea or vomiting
Lack of smell or taste (without congestion)	Fatigue	Diarrhea
	Fever	

"COVID-19 Symptoms" is defined as having 1 or more symptom(s) in Group A OR 2 or more symptoms in Group B

please keep them home and contact your pediatrician

- ◆ Remember, that traveling out of state will require a 14-day quarantine prior to returning
- ◆ Continue to emphasize proper hygiene and handwashing/sanitizing
- ◆ Reinforce proper usage of face-coverings both inside and outside, throughout the entire school day.

Late pick-up fees

Our hours of operation are 7am-6pm. A late fee of \$10 will be charged for every five minutes after 6pm. This fee will be charged to your account.

Lost and Found

Please remember to label all of your children's belongings. This includes lunch boxes, school bags and coats.

Schedule Changes

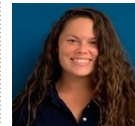
If, for any reason your child has a change in their schedule, please notify the YMCA office. It is imperative that we know in advance if a child will not be attending our program on one of their

KINDERGARTEN STARS

We had a wonderful November and are looking forward to the magic that December has in store for us. Your children are doing amazing things in Kindergarten Enrichment and they continue to bring smiles to our face each and every day. We hope you and your family had a safe and happy Thanksgiving and send you many well wishes during the December Holiday season.



Hi! My name is Ms. Regina. I have been with working at the YMCA for 8 years at both school age and summer camp. I am with your child for both virtual and enrichment time. I love when it's lunchtime and they can take off their masks for a bit and I can see those adorable smiling faces!! When I'm away from work, I love to read a good book or head to the beach to fish on our boat. I'm excited for a fun school year with your child.



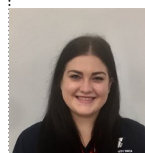
Hello! My name is Ms. Marisa. I've been working at the YMCA for 8 years in both school age and summer camp. I will be with your child during their virtual learning and Enrichment class. I love spending time with my family and friends. My favorite season is Fall and I look forward to getting to know your child this school year!

FABULOUS FIRST GRADERS

First Grade is very excited to learn about the Holiday's coming up! December is a very fun month and it is always enjoyable to see how each child expresses their excitement this time of the year! The children are eager for all of the fun activities that they will be participating in this month whether it is in the classroom or virtually learning as well! After a crazy start to the school year, the children have been doing an amazing job adapting to hybrid and we will continue to make this month as great as possible even with December looking a little different than years before! Wishing you all a safe, happy, and healthy Holiday!



Hi, my name is Mr. John. I have been working at the YMCA in both school age and summer camp for 4 years. This year you can find me at the morning drop off door and helping grade one during their virtual Wednesday! During my time away from work I really enjoy spending time with my family and friends and making art. I am very excited for another awesome school year with your child!



Hi! My name is Ms. Jess and I have been working at the YMCA for 5 years at the Springfield summer camp. This is my first year working during the school age program and I am very excited. I will be working with your child during their virtual learning. When I am not at work, I am studying to prepare for my licensing test to become a registered nurse in the state of PA. I am really looking forward to a great school year with your child!



Winter Weather Information

The YMCA School Age Program will be CLOSED if the Springfield School District is closed. If the district calls for a two-hour delay we will open at 9:00am. If there is an early dismissal due to inclement weather the YMCA will remain open for two hours. Please prepare in advance to ensure the safety of

It's Cold Outside

Please remember to pack hats and gloves for your child. We do go outside everyday for a short period of time to run off our energy and get some quick exercise.

