



LET'S STAY HEALTHY TOGETHER

July 17, 2020

Dear Y Member,

Effective Monday, July 20 we are requiring members and visitors to wear a mask while inside the Y building, moving around the building, interacting with others and entering / exiting the building. Exceptions are children 9 & younger, while using the pools, while actively using fitness equipment, while participating in a Group Exercise class, and children attending Day Camp.

As time progresses during this pandemic, we continue to adjust our operations based on new information, changes to the pandemic, and learning from our own experience and those of others. Based on information from the Ohio Department of Health and the CDC; and the current virus level in Ohio; we believe requiring masks at this time is the right step for the health of our members, staff and our community.

In addition, this change aligns the Y with Governor DeWine's call to action of all Ohioans to "...take immediate action". If you missed his July 15 address, you can watch it with this link:

[Governor DeWine's July 15 address to Ohioans](#)

Our overall goal during this pandemic remains to operate in a way that, to the best of our ability, protects the health of our staff, our members and the community at large.

Other changes / updates include:

- Redesigning parts of the Wellness Center: you'll notice that we moved some of the free weights into the Witte Wellness Addition giving our weight lifters more space to social distance.
- Should Marion County move to Level 3 in Public Health Advisory Alert System, members will be required to wear masks at all times, we'll implement a written building-entry screening system and all older adult exercise classes will move to virtual only.
- **Showers will be available Monday through Friday 5:00 am – 2:00 pm starting Wednesday, July 22.** [Click here to read our shower protocols / processes.](#)

We're excited about opening showers and for the following offerings to our members:

Family Swim by reservation: Stop in and cool off in the pool. Families must be no more than 6 individuals living in the same household. You can find the Small Pool Schedule and read details about Family Swim [here](#).

Martial Arts classes for youth ages 4-16 starting the week of July 20. **Deadline to register is July 18.** Martial Arts will be held outdoors near the pavilion on Monday & Wednesday evening. Click [here](#) for details.

Youth Strength Training starting July 23. Deadline to register is July 21. Details are on our website [here](#).

We're offering a short [Summer Swim Team season](#) July 20 - August 27 for area youth ages 5 - 18.

By working together and following our health protocols, we hope to continue adding opportunities for our members to be healthy and well through the Y.

Reminder of our Health protocols and policies...

- Starting July 20, masks are required except while exercising & for children 9 & younger.
- We're continuing to ask all members to perform self-screening before entering the building. You can [read the screening requirements here](#).
- Members are asked to remain 6 feet from others unless you are spotting someone. Thank you for your cooperation.
- We're closed for cleaning Monday through Friday 2:15-3:30 pm.
- **Please remember to scan out when you leave the building.** We have a scanner just prior to the Wellness Center exit and another scanner in the lobby.
- After using equipment for your workout, please spray the provided towel with cleaner & then wipe the equipment. This is better for the equipment & better for sanitizing than spraying the equipment & wiping off the sanitizer.
- Locker rooms are open for use as restrooms & to change clothes.
- Showers are open Monday through Friday from 5:00 am - 2:00 pm.
- No use of lockers.
- We've removed the adult & youth designation of the locker rooms for the summer. People of all ages may use either locker room.
- We are disinfecting locker rooms every 2 hours. While we are disinfecting, the locker room may be closed. If the door is locked or sign posted that it's closed; members will need to use the other locker room.
- We have a deck shower on the 8 Lane Pool deck for swimmers to rinse off before & after swimming.
- We have a new member waiver for all adult members to sign. You can sign it electronically before your first visit to the Y. [Link to YMCA Electronic Signature Page](#)

I hope you and your family continue to be healthy and well. I appreciate everyone's understanding as we work together now so that we're stronger tomorrow.

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Read the updated [Code of Conduct and Promise to Members here](#).

Read our FAQs [Member Frequently Asked Questions Marion Family YMCA](#)

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Read [Responsible Restart Ohio Pool Requirements here](#)

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