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March 16, 2020

Dear YMCA Family,

Thank you for being a loyal member of the YMCA of Greater Fort Wayne. The health, well-being, and safety of our members, participants, volunteers, and staff is our top priority. Our leadership team has been monitoring the ever-changing dynamics of the COVID-19 virus and listening to the advice of Federal, State, and Local government and health officials. Based on the situation, we will be making regular adjustments to our policies, operations, and staffing models. We will be updating our management team daily and sending out regular updates to the staff so that we can serve you best.

Based on new CDC recommendations and an abundance of caution, the YMCA of Greater Fort Wayne has made the decision to cancel all classes, events and programs. Our Y's will remain open with restrictions as a way for people to remain healthy and reduce stress. However, we are taking additional precautions.

IMMEDIATE CHANGES TAKING PLACE

Beginning Tuesday, March 17th until further notice, all classes and programming will be postponed for the at least the remainder of the month, including but not limited to:

- All Group/Water Exercise Classes
- All Youth and Adult Sports
- All Chronic Disease Prevention Classes
- All Youth Enrichment Classes
- All Swim Lessons
- All Church Services
- Childwatch/ Kid's Club
- Before & After School Care
- Parent's Night Out

In addition:

- Kid's (jungle) gyms/playscapes and climbing walls will be closed.
- Saunas and steam rooms will be closed.
- Wellness equipment usage will be lessened so that members are not side-by-side on cardio machines to promote social distancing.
- During this time we ask that members not bring guests into the Y. We will not accept guest passes.

We will reevaluate the situation and make a decision to restart programs and classes at a later date.

When visiting the Y, we encourage you to follow the health department's guidelines for minimizing the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19). This includes: staying home when you feel ill, frequent hand washing for at least 20 seconds, wiping down equipment before and after every use, and practicing social distancing – maintaining six feet of distance between people in the facility.

JOIN US ONLINE

We are committed to supporting your health and well-being during this time. Regular exercise is one component of a healthy lifestyle that can help reduce stress and prevent illness. The Y will be offering FREE virtual classes. Visit our website to view the available classes.

Visit here to find free virtual classes: www.fwymca.org/free-virtual-classes

Across our branches, we have enhanced our current cleaning protocols and are working with facility teams to ensure an appropriate level of cleaning and disinfecting supplies are onsite at each facility. During this challenging time, we appreciate your continued patience and support. The YMCA of Great Fort Wayne is committed to serving our community. Again, thank you for your loyalty to the YMCA.

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