



FISHERS YMCA 2011-2012

School Year: September 6, 2011 – May 30, 2012

Fishers YMCA offers one of the most dynamic preschool programs on the north side. For over 20 years, preschoolers have become instilled with the YMCA's philosophy of developing the *spirit, mind and body* of each individual and encouraging an atmosphere of cooperation and mutual respect for everyone through our four core values: *caring, honesty, respect and responsibility*. Your child will receive the very *best* in early childhood education at the YMCA.

Programs are designed to offer developmentally appropriate learning experiences for children ages 3 to 5. Children will experience the excitement of exploration and the joy of discovery of their world as they move from one interest center to another. Activities will focus on a variety of skills, including early reading, early writing, early math concepts, art projects, science experiments, music, and much more. A positive self-concept is promoted as children learn to share, participate in group games and projects, take care of belongings, and put things away after use. Preschool teaches invaluable life skills which will stay with your child forever.

YMCA MISSION

To put Christian principles into practice through programs that build healthy spirit, mind, and body for all.

RATIO

The adult/child ratios are 1:7 for 3 year olds, and 1:8 for 4-5 year olds. An experienced teacher and an assistant will provide a nurturing atmosphere and knowledgeable guidance for your child.

PARENT PARTICIPATION

Although parents are not required to spend any time in the classroom, they are always welcome and appreciated. Parents are always welcome as helpers for a variety of classroom activities. Any parent interested in volunteering in the classroom will be required to complete a criminal background check and volunteer paperwork.

COMPUTERS

Computers are available in each Preschool classroom. Children will have the opportunity to learn basic computer skills including use of the mouse and keyboard. New programs will be introduced periodically, and parental assistance is always welcome.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Our qualified instructors will be guiding your child through various physical education activities each week to develop strength, coordination, endurance and rhythm through a variety of challenging games, activities, and songs. Gross motor equipment, including balance beams, barrels, incline mats, etc. will be used along with fine motor equipment such as balls, balloons, bean bags, etc. to develop skills.

SPECIAL GUESTS AND EXPERIENCES

Our program is enhanced by various guests, and outside experiences are added whenever possible to expand on particular units of study.

SPECIAL EVENTS

The Open House, Holiday Parties, such as our fun Halloween Parade, and the End of the Year party are just a few of the special events planned for all age groups. Each year we also have a Scholastic Book Fair.

SNACKS

Snacks will be served each day. Parents are asked to provide the snack and beverage on a rotating basis assigned by the classroom teacher. Nutrition is a very important part of a preschooler's development; therefore we request that only nutritional snacks be sent. The only beverages that we can serve are water, white milk, or 100% juice. **No homemade snacks will be accepted.**

SWIM AND ENRICHMENT CLASSES

Swim lessons and sports enrichment classes are available for children ages 3-5 years. Each 7-week session runs for 30 minutes, once a week. The dates and times available are conveniently arranged around preschool classes. Please see our monthly newsletters for information on dates, times, and pricing.

CLASS SCHEDULE

<i>Class</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>Time</i>
3/4 Combo	T/Th	3/4	9:00-1:00 PM
<i>(*Must be 3 by Sept 1, 2011)</i>	T/Th	3/4	1:30-4:00 PM
4/5 Combo	M/W/F	4/5	9:00-1:00 PM
<i>(*Must be 4 by Sept 1, 2011)</i>	M/W/F	4/5	1:30-4:00 PM

**Waivers will be made at the director's discretion.*

Class days and times are based on enrollment and are subject to change.

We require that all children be toilet trained before the beginning of school.

REGISTRATION

Registration for YMCA members and current preschool participants begins **March 7, 2011** and opens to the public **March 14, 2011**. Registration may be made at the front desk of the Fishers YMCA anytime during regular business hours.

Further information may be obtained by calling the **Fishers YMCA** at **595-9622**. Our preschool staff will be happy to speak with you or to arrange a time for you to observe our school in action.

The Preschool follows the Hamilton Southeastern school calendar for all vacations and holidays and weather related cancellations.

FISHERS YMCA
9012 East 126th Street
Fishers, IN 46038
Main number: (317) 595-9622
Early Childhood Office: (317) 558-3237
Tax ID Number: 35-0868-211
Make checks payable to: Fishers YMCA

YMCA Programs and activities are designed to benefit persons of all backgrounds. Fees are based on the cost of providing each program. While participants are expected to pay their fair share, the YMCA will assist any individual who wants to participate but cannot afford the fee.

The YMCA is unique because your membership rates and program fees are based on total household income. The YMCA is able to offer this sliding fee scale thanks to the generous donors whose contributions enable us to live our mission of being open and accessible to all.

MONTHLY TUITION

Tuition for the school year is divided into nine equal monthly payments due on the 1st of each month beginning September 1, 2011 and ending May 1, 2012. Payments made after the 10th day of each month will be assessed a \$10.00 late fee.

<i>Payment Due Date</i>	<i>Payment #</i>
September 1 st	#1
October 1 st	#2
November 1 st	#3
December 1 st	#4
January 1 st	#5
February 1 st	#6
March 1 st	#7
April 1 st	#8
May 1 st	#9

YMCA program registration fee applies to program members: \$30/child or \$50/family;
Deposit fee of \$50 per child to be applied to May 2012 tuition

3/4 Combo: **T/Th AM Programs – 4 hours**
YMCA Member \$161/month
Program Member \$199/month

T/Th PM Programs – 2.5 hours
YMCA Member \$109/month
Program Member \$144/month

4/5 Combo: **M/W/F AM Programs – 4 hours**
YMCA Member \$218/month
Program Member \$287/month

M/W/F PM Programs – 2.5 hours
YMCA Member \$139/month
Program Member \$171/month

These monthly rates include all aspects of the curriculum and all school materials.