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## Y LEARNING ACADEMY FAQs

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### **Will the Y provide Chromebooks and iPads for my student?**

Your child's school district will be issuing them a device to use for their virtual learning. They will bring the device and charging cable to the Y Learning Academy each day.

### **Will the Y staff help my child with their academics?**

The Y staff will be supporting your child with their technology needs, keeping them engaged and guiding them during their academic time. The curriculum and instruction will come from their school district and teacher.

### **My child has an IEP or 504 plan - what is the Y's role in supporting it?**

We are working closely with area school districts to ensure your child's success, however we will not be providing special education services or interventions from an IEP or 504. Please work directly with your school to ensure that those are provided for your child. We will have an academic "get to know you" form for you to share any goals, tips or tricks for our team to know to support your child.

### **The program is set-up with a 5-day/week option - what if I do not want my child enrolled for all 5 days?**

In an effort to safely serve as many children who are in need of this program and to maintain the same cohort of children enrolled and participating each day, all children are enrolled for 5 days. You may have your child attend only certain days of the week if you wish, but the rate will not be able to be adjusted.

### **Are there exemptions for the mask requirement?**

A child may be exempt from wearing a mask due to a medical condition. Please talk to the Y staff to provide supporting evidence if they are eligible for an exemption.

### **Are snacks provided by the Y?**

The Y will provide 2 healthy snacks per day. Please inform us of any dietary allergies or needs on the registration/medical form. You are welcome to send along a snack for your child if you wish.

### **Is lunch provided by the Y?**

Students may bring a lunch to program each day. The lunch bag/container will need to be labeled with the child(ren)'s name.

**Green Bay Area Public Schools students:** If your child attends a school within the Green Bay Area Public School District, the food program is available for both breakfast and lunch (some schools also qualify for dinner). The meals will be picked up and delivered to the Y daily. You will complete a Meal Request form indicating the days/times you would like your child to receive this service. Your child(ren)'s school lunch account will be charged for each meal that they are served, unless they are eligible for free/reduced lunch or attend a CEP school where all children receive meals at no charge.

**Free/Reduced Lunch:** If you participate in the Free/Reduced Lunch, there will be an

additional form that needs to be completed for grant reporting purposes. Please contact the Green Bay Area Public Schools Food Service department at (920) 391-2565 for more information on food service costs and Free/Reduced Lunch program. Below are the links to the Free/Reduced Lunch application. This form needs to be completed annually.

[Free / Reduced Lunch application - English](#)

[Free / Reduced Lunch Application - Spanish](#)

**If the program fills up, will you have a waiting list?**

Yes. If spots at our sites fill, there will be a waiting list option. We are working to explore more options and spaces for us to safely serve those who are interested in the Y Learning Academy. If we are able to serve you due to a new location or a cancellation, we will contact you.

**The East Side Y location is only open to 2<sup>nd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders, and the other locations start at Kindergarten. Why the different starting grade at the East Side Y?**

This is due to our licensing requirements at each location. If you have children in Kindergarten or 1<sup>st</sup> grade, please register for our West Side or Ferguson Y location.

**My child's school starts on September 1<sup>st</sup>, however the Y Learning Academy does not start until September 3<sup>rd</sup>, why the 2-day wait?**

We are having our first day on September 3<sup>rd</sup> for two important reasons. With a short time frame before school begins, this will allow our staff critical time to prepare, train and plan for the upcoming school year. Additionally, having your student start the year at home with a parent/family member by their side to help them navigate, become comfortable and learn the ropes, will help to set them up for success on their first day at the Y Learning Academy.

**Who are the Y Learning Academy Staff?**

Our staff are all dedicated Youth Development or Child Care team members who have demonstrated a talent and love for working with children. They are screened, background checked and trained to provide a safe, fun and engaging experience. Our leaders are certified in CPR and First Aid. The program is overseen by a leadership team consisting of our Y Child Care Executive, our Youth Teen Family Director who is a certified educator and our Vice President of Programs & Innovation who is a licensed social worker.

**My family participates in the Wisconsin Shares Child Care Subsidy program, am I eligible to use this for the Y Learning Academy?**

If you are registered at our West Side or Ferguson Family Learning Academy sites, these sites are eligible as programs for the Shares subsidy. Please contact your case manager to learn more.

**What if my child's daily school schedule differs from the Y Learning Academy?**

The Y schedule was designed in partnership with the Green Bay Public Schools, but we understand that each school and grade may differ slightly. We are aware that we are working with many different schedules and we will do our very best to accommodate them. In our partnership with the Green Bay Schools, we know that all classes will be recorded and we can access them later during our Learning Lab time if needed. During the first weeks we will be adjusting and modifying our schedules to meet the needs of the students and will make every effort to ensure we hit the learning goals and keep them on track with their respective schedules.