



**FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT
FOR HEALTHY LIVING
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY**

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s) of Greensburg YMCA Youth Sports Athletes,

This letter serves many purposes, but most importantly I would like to thank you for enrolling your child in our Youth Sports program. My goal as the Sports Director is to make a difference in every child that comes through our sports programs by providing a program that has a lasting, enjoyable memory. The other purpose of this letter is to inform you of some of our policies related to this program which are explained below.

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Responsibilities:

We encourage parents/guardians to stay and either participate in or observe practices. Upon arrive to each session please sign your child in on our attendance sheet. If someone other than you will be picking up your child, the coach must be notified via permission note. We also ask parents to assist with coaching if they have familiarity with the sport. We are always looking for volunteers at the Y. No experience is necessary to volunteer with our youth sports programs. Please note: NO FOOD OR DRINK PERMITTED IN THE GYM – WATER ONLY.

Cancellation Policy:

All practices will occur as planned unless the YMCA contacts you. In the event of inclement weather please contact the YMCA at (724) 834-0150 and ask the front desk staff if practices or games are still on as scheduled. The decision to cancel practice will be decided upon by 2 pm that day for programs that have a start time of 4 pm-closing. For Saturday and Sunday programs a decision will be made by 7 pm the night prior. If you would like updates sent out by email this can be done by providing your email address on your registration form. We strongly encourage that you register for Remind, the texting alert system used to communicate with parents/guardians. The instructions to sign up for Remind should be given to you at the time of registration or on the first day of the program.

Program Schedule:

Programs have sessions once a week which are 45 mins for the tots age group, and 1 hour for the rookies and winners age groups. Tots programs run for 6 weeks. Rookies and winners programs run for 8 weeks.

Refund Policy:

Our refund policy allows a full refund if you ask for a refund prior to the start of the program. After the first session we can issue a 75% refund. Any refund requests after that point will not be processed.

Communication Policy:

Our communication policy is one that emphasizes the chain of command. If you have questions regarding your child's participation, improvement, etc. please contact Shawn Rause at s.rause@gbgymca.org; email is the best means of communication.

Volunteers:

In order to make this program successful we need every parent to volunteer in some way. Volunteer opportunities include assisting with coaching during practices and/or bringing snack/drink for the tot's age group. We are also blessed to have wonderful volunteers from the local community as well who are helping coach your young athletes.

Our goal is to always communicate to our participants and members well in advance of any changes to our programs.

Again, thank you for enrolling your child in our sports program. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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