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## FAQs for St. Casimir Afterschool Program

### **What sanitation protocols are you using for Afterschool care?**

The Whiting Family YMCA has adopted a "Take 10" philosophy to focus cleaning and sanitizing all high traffic areas. At the top of every hour, designated counselors will be walking through areas to clean and disinfect. We are using industrial strength, CDC approved cleaning supplies to ensure disinfection. Toys, Arts and Craft supplies, and games will be circulated through a cleaning process between groups.

### **Can Aftercare really be fun AND safe?**

Yes! Here are some of the things we're doing to make sure:

- "Take 10" to clean
- Health screenings for everyone entering the program space, program participants and staff. This includes taking temps before check in and monitoring for coughs.
- Reducing groups, ratios and capacity to adhere to physical distancing.
- Contactless sign in and out
- Frequent and intentional hand washing
- Hand sanitizer will be available with counselors and in every program area.
- Face masks and cloth face covers.

### **Is Prepayment and preregistration required?**

Yes. You must have a YMCA Registration form turned in, a current form of payment on file with the Whiting YMCA and prepay for the week to attend. Payment is due the Friday before care is needed or a late fee is applied. We have a strict capacity of 26 kids per day and must know what students are attending each week.

### **How can I register my child?**

Everyone can pay online, over the phone or at our Y front desk. Register for our Afterschool program and set up automatic payments all in one place. Check out our website at [www.crymca.org](http://www.crymca.org) for more details.

### **Why are you taking my student's temperature?**

As an indicator of illness, we're taking everyone's temperature before they enter our program. This includes staff and program participants.

### **What happens if my child has a temperature at drop off?**

Children who have a temp over **99.7** at drop off will be turned away and issued a system credit or change their scheduled days, as applicable. Children must be fever free for 72 hours.

### **Can I send my child with medication?**

No, for the safety of all students and staff, the YMCA does not administer any medication on site except for EpiPens and Inhalers as needed.

### **How will you keep kids to 6ft of social distancing?**

We know this will be hard. Kids miss the interaction with their friends! Our Aftercare staff are redesigning most loved games and activities to allow for more space between student groups. We're reducing Aftercare capacity as well.

### **What activities will my child be doing since they are supposed to be social distancing?**

Students will do a variation of all our traditional afterschool favorites. We're reducing equipment and updating games to account for social distancing. We've added Steam, Arts & Crafts and CATCH movement activities.



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**Will my student have a chance to work on homework while in Aftercare?**

Yes! Students have a scheduled time for homework and will be social distanced during this time. While we may not get to every learning activity, our goal is to support students during their scheduled homework time.

**Where will the kids that get a temp go? How will you separate sick kids from my child?**

We will have a designated area of supervised isolation for students who have sudden onset symptoms of illness including fever and upper respiratory struggle.

**Is my child required to wear a mask?**

Yes, we're continuing to take guidance from public health officials who have determined children ages 2yrs and up should wear masks.

**Does my child have to wear a mask during actively exercising?**

All children will need to wear a mask to and from any area and have the mask with them during their program time. When children are actively exercising they will not be required to wear a mask. Counselors will help remind children when masks are and are not required.

**What safety protocols will your staff be adhering to?**

All staff coming to work will complete a health screen with a temperature benchmark. All staff will wear masks.

**What is your staff to camper ratio?**

Counselor to student ratio will be 1:12. This will be re-evaluated as we move through the coming weeks.

**What happens when we are made aware of a positive case of COVID-19?**

If we are made aware of a positive COVID-19 case, we will make parents and staff aware of that contact. The person with a positive case will be required to quarantine away from the school and Y for 14 days and fever free for 72 hours. Program participants and staff will be notified. Any participants or staff that had close proximity or were not using PPE while in close proximity should self-quarantine for at least 72 hours. Staff who have a positive Covid-19 case will be required to show a doctor's note stating they are cleared to return to work. Program spaces will be closed for disinfecting.