



FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT
FOR HEALTHY LIVING
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

MONTECITO FAMILY YMCA

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AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM POLICIES

Admission - The Montecito Family YMCA Afterschool Program is open to children in Kindergarten through 6th grade without regard to race, sex, color, religion, national origin or ancestry. We strive to see that each child develops emotionally, physically, intellectually, and spiritually during the course of the program.

Hours - We try to follow as closely as possible, the **Montecito Union School**. The program hours are Monday through Friday, 3:00pm to 6:00pm. **There are no program services before school, after 6:00pm, or on weekends and does not include early dismissals.** An additional benefit at a cost of \$50.00 per week for children enrolled full time is an accredited day camp which includes two weeks at Winter Break and one week at Spring Break. During this time, children can attend all day at the Montecito Family YMCA from 7:45am - 6:00pm in our American Camping Association accredited day Camp Program which is not a licensed day care.

Registration - We encourage parents and children to visit and observe our program before deciding to register. Please make an appointment with our Program Director, Yvonne Rubio, if you would like a guided tour. We have an open door policy and visitors are always welcome. **A Non-Refundable and Non-Transferable Annual Registration Fee** is required upon notification of acceptance and on an annual basis thereafter. The fee is \$120.00 per child. This fee is separate from tuition and **is not applied towards tuition**

Staff Qualifications - The staff members of the Montecito Family YMCA are educated and experienced in early childhood development and education. They meet Tide 22 regulations set by the Department of Social Services.

Tuition Policy - The after school program operates on a monthly tuition plan. A flat fee is charged for the entire month, regardless of how many hours your child attends.

Monthly tuition is charged September through May, on three, four or five day a week options:

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| 3 Days | \$447.00 |
| 4 Days | \$477.00 |
| 5 Days | \$497.00 |

Tuition is due by the 1st of each month; if it is not received by the 5th of each month, there is a \$20.00 late fee imposed unless arrangements have been made in advance. Tuition is payable in advance on a monthly basis. **You will not receive a statement;** it is your responsibility to make your monthly tuition payment on time.

Scholarships – LIMITED scholarships are available for those in need. Requests for scholarships are kept in strict confidence. Scholarships apply only to tuition fees. They do not apply to registration fees, or tardy fees. Please see the Yvonne Rubio, Program Director for more information.

Peanut Free Zone – This 2011-12 at the Montecito Family YMCA will be a **NO PEANUT ZONE**. This is to insure the safety of those who will be in our childcare programs and have severe peanut allergies! **No Peanut Butter or Almond Butter and anything that contains peanut oil products which includes all tree nuts.** Please help us in keeping everyone safe

Snack – The afterschool serves a mid-afternoon snack, with water or milk. All snacks are nutritious and low in sugar. Occasionally, there will be treats for special events. If your child has any special dietary needs, food allergies or you do not want your child to have special treats, please list these on your Emergency/Health Information Form.

40 Developmental Assets – The YMCA uses the Search Institute's 40 Developmental Asset Model to measure the success of our youth and teen programs. Through extensive research the Search Institute of Minneapolis has identified 40 positive experiences and qualities, called "developmental assets", that all youth and teens need to become healthy, contributing adults – assets like having adult role models, being held to high expectations, and being safe. Ideally all youth and teens should experience at least 31 of the 40 developmental assets; however, current national studies show that most experience less than twenty. YMCA programs are designed to help fill the gap and give youth and teens the assets they need to succeed. For more info, visit Search-institute.org

Core Values – Caring, Honesty, Respect and Responsibility are built into all Y Programs. These four core values were developed by the Y to help teach children right from wrong. By nurturing strong core values we strive to build consensus that however diverse our opinions, personalities and backgrounds, the values clearly define us at our best.

Spiritual Growth – We offer a unique opportunity to nurture the spiritual awakening of our afterschoolers. We play an important role in helping children develop their own spiritual awareness and love of God.

CALENDAR:

Afterschool hours: Monday - Friday, 3:00-6:00pm, except for the days listed below:

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| September 5, 2011 | Labor Day |
| November 24 – 25, 2011 | Thanksgiving Holidays |
| December 19 – 23, 2011 | Winter Break |
| December 26, 2011 | Christmas Day Observed |
| December 27 – 30, 2011 | Winter Break |
| January 2, 2012 | New Year's Day Observed |
| February 20, 2012 | President's Day |
| March 26 – 30, 2012 | Spring Break |
| April 6 – 8, 2012 | Easter Break |
| May 28, 2012 | Memorial Day |
| June 7 -8, 2012 | Teacher In-Service Days |

The After School Program begins on Monday, August 29, 2011 and ends on Wednesday, June 6, 2012. Our Winter Accredited Day Camp will be from December 19 – 23, 2011 and December 27 – 30, 2011. Our Spring Accredited Day Camp will be held from March 26 – 30, 2012. Our Summer Day Camp Program begins on Monday, June 11, 2012.

SAMPLE SCHEDULE:

NOTE: During the first 2 weeks of school, the kindergarten children are dismissed at 11:30am, **no early childcare** provided.

3:00-3:20 Kindergarten thru 6th Grade arrive at picnic benches in the center of Montecito Union School

3:20-3:30 Children are walked over to the Montecito Family YMCA.

3:30-4:00 Snack Time (followed by a group meeting)

4:00-5:00 Activity Time

Free Play on the school-age playground, craft project, activity, group games and a cooking project on Thursdays.

On Fridays, weather permitting; everyone swims from 4:15-5:15pm. and from 5:15-5:30pm, change clothes and from 5:30-6:00pm, free play on the school-age playground.

On Fridays, when swimming not schedules from 3:45-4:30pm, free play on the playground and art and from 4:30-6:00pm, movie and popcorn and inside play.

5:00-5:50 Homework Time/Quiet Time/Reading

Once they have completed their homework, children have a choice from a variety of quiet activities, including books, puzzles, and cognitive games.

5:50-6:00 Clean-Up

6:00pm Pick-Up Time

Please keep in mind that this is a *sample* schedule. The Afterschool Group Leader is responsible for individual schedules and calendars. Children will swim once a week (on Fridays): weather permitting, please remember to send a suit, towel and sunscreen.