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# 7<sup>th</sup> GRADE FREE INITIATIVE MEMBERSHIP POLICIES

## 7th Grade Initiative

The Tri-Cities Family offers a FREE YMCA membership to all students in 7th grade, Sept. 12 – May 26, 2016. The goal of the 7th Grade Initiative is to inspire youth to discover their passions, develop a healthy lifestyle, and gain the assets needed to avoid risky behaviors and succeed in school and life. *Registrations for 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Initiative begins August 1, 2016*

## YMCA Mission Statement

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

## Membership Process

The membership begins the first week of October when the following is complete:

- ✓ Come to the Tri-Cities Family YMCA with a parent or guardian
- ✓ Present a valid school ID or school schedule
- ✓ Complete the Tri-Cities Family YMCA Membership Application
- ✓ Complete the 7th Grade Parent Agreement
- ✓ \$5 one time donation for processing and key tags
- ✓ Schedule orientation and have fun!

## YMCA Facility Access & Guest Policy

- Each 7th grade member will receive a membership key tag. Key tags must be presented every time 7th graders use the facility and cost \$5 to replace if lost.
- Membership can be suspended or revoked if staff deems member behavior has violated YMCA policies.
- 7th grade members are permitted in the YMCA during operating hours.
- Are required to follow age guidelines for weight & cardio room, complete equipment orientation and be actively engaged in a program or activity while at the YMCA.
- Access to our Teen Adventure Center (TAC) requires separate registration forms.
- Guests accompanied by the 7<sup>th</sup> Grader must purchase a guest pass.
- The YMCA reserves the right to limit the number of guests.

## Program Rules & Discipline Policy

YMCA staff strives to create a positive atmosphere with an emphasis on our four core values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility. Our youth and teen activities are designed to be fun with active inclusion of all members. Membership can be suspended or terminated if staff deems that members are behaving in a way that is contrary to the YMCA character values. Failure to call and cancel a scheduled orientation/no show, more than twice may result in loss of membership privileges.

## Get Involved

We're looking for members of the community to sponsor 7th Grade Initiative Programs and volunteer to assist during activities. Make a difference in a young person's life contact the Y at 616.842.7051 or our website: [www.tcfymca.org](http://www.tcfymca.org) for more information.