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**Dear Parents and Students of Oak Orchard Elementary,**

The Orleans County YMCA will continue to provide after school programming for children in pre-K to grade six beginning in September. The program will run from the end of the school day until 6:00pm each day school is in session. The program is recreation-based, but structured in a manner to help your children grow physically, mentally, and academically. Recent studies have shown that *children who participate in afterschool programs do 20% better on standardized testing* compared to children not involved in after school programs. The program follows YMCA program standards designed to help your child be safe and grow. New York State regulates the program operations. All staff are finger printed, First Aid and CPR trained, and must pass a background check. A strict one staff to ten children ratio is maintained.

**Cost**

- Because the program is **New York State regulated**, families receiving any form of state aid, may be eligible to receive the program for **FREE** or at very reduced rate through Orleans County Department of Social Services.
- The YMCA provides **financial aid scholarships** which are based on household size and income.
- Participants who are YMCA members receive a lower rate.
- Weekly rates, pre-paid monthly (includes all regular school days plus half days)

	Member Rate	Potential Member Rate
<b>Full Time (5 Days until 6pm)</b>	\$35/week	\$42.50/week
<b>Full Time (5 Days until 4pm)</b>	\$25/week	\$30/week
<b>3 days (until 6pm)</b>	\$28.75/week	\$35/week
<b>3 days (until 4pm)</b>	\$20/week	\$25/week

If you are interested in learning more about this program or to enroll your child, visit [www.glowymca.org](http://www.glowymca.org) to download an application, send an email to [lfields@glowymca.org](mailto:lfields@glowymca.org) or call 585-798-2040 and speak with a YMCA staff member.

Thank you for your consideration, we look forward to providing services to you and your children this fall!

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## **YMCA BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL ENRICHMENT (BASE) PROGRAM**

**Location:** Oak Orchard Elementary School

**Time:** Afternoon: School Dismissal-6:00pm

**Days:** All school days, including half days, are included in the program fee.

**Holidays:** YMCA Runs Camp Days at the YMCA located at 306 Pearl Street, Medina, NY 14103 when school is not in session for breaks and select holidays.

**Staff:** All staff have experience working with school-aged children, a back ground check conducted, references checks, screened interviews, trained in First Aid and CPR, and are finger printed.

**Ratio of Staff to Children:** The YMCA maintains a one-to-ten staff-to-children ratio; and it will increase the ratio for certain activities to ensure a safe environment.

**Program:** A structured program lead by screened and certified staff. Children participate in age appropriate activities using outdoor and indoor spaces provided by the school. Children are involved in the arts, physical education, athletics, outdoor education, team building, reading, homework, and special events activities. Staff will assist with homework as needed. Special events and holiday celebrations will be highlighted points at certain times of the school year.

**Program Goals:** To keep the children safe and engaged throughout the afternoon and early evening through planned structured activities. Indirect social, physical, and academic improvements are strived towards. Ensures each child receives a health snack, daily exercise, and positive adult engagement daily.

**Program Benefits:** The program helps children stay safe in a caring and nurturing environment. Parents have ease of mind knowing their children are in a safe and fun environment. Children through recreational activities, grow their social and team work skills. Having fun while learning and growing as opposed to being home alone, unsafe, and unsupervised. Children strengthen their academic skills and get a higher level of adult support than children not involved in after school programming. Program operates on many early school day releases when parents often have to work.