



eLearning Support Program FAQs:

Will YMCA staff assist my child with their assignments?

eLearning Support Program is designed to provide students the time and space to complete their virtual coursework. Our Y staff will ensure students attend any scheduled live video instruction, tutoring, small group, and independent learning opportunities as assigned by the child's teacher. eLearning Support Staff may be able to provide some guidance, however, Y staff will not be responsible for teaching lessons. Y staff will meet with your child daily to review progress. Y staff will communicate with parents if any issues arise. Parents, please review all assignments and teacher communication channels with your child prior to the eLearning Support Program, and throughout the duration of virtual learning.

If my child only needs to attend 3 days per week, do I still pay the full weekly amount?

Yes. When you enroll in the Y's eLearning Support Program, you are enrolling your spot for the entire duration of the full-virtual educational model, beginning Sept. 8th. When students return to in-person learning at their school, your child is then unenrolled automatically. Payments are made 1 week in advance via automatic draft using a credit card or bank account. If you wish to withdraw from the program, you must notify the Director one week prior to unenrolling. No refunds will be provided for any reason. For example, if your child only attended 3 days during a week, you will pay for the full week. If spots in the program become available, those on the waiting list will be contacted as soon as possible.

What does my child need to bring?

All Beaufort County School District (BCSD) schools sent out supply lists for each grade level. Please check your child's school website for these lists and bring in all items (these will be needed to complete virtual coursework). Additionally, please bring in a plastic shoe box sized container to store these items. Additional items can be sent in a bookbag, which must include BCSD electronic devices with charger, water bottle, headphones/earbuds. Your child will only have the supplies that you send, no other supplies will be provided by the YMCA. Additionally, please have your child wearing closed toed shoes and pack a swim suit and towel.

Will you be able to print for my child?

Unfortunately, due to the potential volume of printed materials, we will not be able to print assignments for your child. If assignments need to be printed, please print assignments yourself, and bring to the eLearning Support Program.

What if my child doesn't complete their work /or completes their work early?

Our eLearning Support Program will follow the schedule of students virtual coursework which will end between 2:00-2:30pm. If a student has not completed their work, they will still participate in the afterschool program activities and will need to complete assignments outside of the eLearning Support Program.

In the event a child finishes work early, as in any school setting, they will be able to choose from independent reading, educational games and quiet activities, so not to disturb the other students.

What will the schedule look like?

We wish we were mind readers, but just like you, as of 8/7 we are waiting for more information from BCSD in regards to the virtual schedule. Once schedule is provided that is what will be followed.

Is lunch provided? Do I need to pack snacks?

YES! In partnership with BCSD, any student requesting a “school breakfast/lunch”, will receive one. BCSD will receive a daily roster of all students who request meals for the day. BCSD will charge student accounts (as they normally would during the school year). This includes those who have qualified for Free-and-Reduced-Meals. We will provide more information as we receive it, including menus.

If your child does not participate in the school meal program, please make sure to pack their lunch.

There will be at least two opportunities for snacks, in the morning and afternoon, please make sure you pack snacks and a water bottle.

Will my child be required to wear a mask?

The Wardle Family YMCA is in the town of Port Royal; therefore, we follow Port Royal Face Mask Ordinance for the town. In summary, children ages 8 and under will not be required to wear a mask. Children age 8 and older will be required to wear a mask unless the child has an underlying health condition. Children will not need to wear a mask when outside or on the pool deck while participating in strenuous activity.

If your child is 8 or older please make sure they have a mask on when entering the building.

If schools resume in-person instruction or continue virtually, will you continue the eLearning Support Program?

When in-person instruction resumes, the YMCA Afterschool program will take place. If a school transitions to the hybrid A/B model, the YMCA’s eLearning Support Program will be available.

How many other students will be in my child’s group?

Our YMCA will be following the social distancing guidelines and safety protocols in accordance with DHEC. With reduced capacity, each area will be designed for 12 students. There will be 1 eLearning Support Staff per 12 students. We will do our best to break up groups based on grade, however some groups might be multi-age based off of enrollment.

What training will the eLearning Support Staff have?

At minimum, all eLearning staff will participate in the BCSD Virtual Instruction Briefing in addition to any additional support videos or training materials provided by BCSD.

What activities will take place during the afterschool portion from 2:30-5:30?

Activities will include the following: outdoor field games, swimming, youth aerobics classes, and art activities. The eLearning Support Program ends promptly at 5:30pm, late pick-up fees will be applied after 5:35pm.

If you have any additional questions or concerns please contact Kaylin Garst, Executive Branch Director:

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