

Update as of May 29, 2020

Dear YWCA Children's Center Families:

I hope that you and your family are healthy and safe during this public health crisis. We wish you continued health during this difficult time.

I know it has been quite a while since I provided you with an update on the YWCA Children's Center, however, as far as we know, nothing has changed in regards to when we will be permitted to open.

As of today, all licensed childcare programs in the state have been ordered closed. The state has permitted, emergency programs to open, providing care to the children of first responders and those the state approves. According to the Governor, programs will not be allowed to reopen until June 29th.

We had hoped to learn from our licensor by now, what new protocols they will require in order to reopen. Unfortunately, they have not provided us with any information. They were planning on releasing information this week.

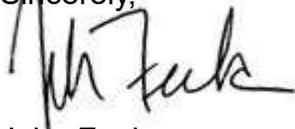
This does not mean that we have been inactive. We have been carefully reviewing the information published by the Centers for Disease Control regarding childcare and have begun planning what classrooms would look like based on their protocols. We are hopeful that this guidance will be the basis for the state's requirements.

When we have our protocols in place, we will share them with you in advance and provide you with an opportunity to review them and discuss them with us. Without a doubt, there will be many changes to the way in which we offer childcare. However, at this time, we are confident that we will be able to provide services beginning June 29th.

Over the next several weeks, as we learn more and finalize our plans for re-opening, we will also be in contact with you to learn what your needs will be beginning June 29th.

Staff are eager to return and have conveyed how much they miss the children and each other. Thank you for your patience as we work to create a safe environment for your children, your family and our staff.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Feehan". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J".

John Feehan
Executive Director