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YMCA of Saskatoon Closures

Saskatoon, SK: On Monday, March 16th at 12 noon, the YMCA of has announced temporary closures until further notice. This includes all health, fitness and aquatics programs, school out day camp for April, Before and After School programs as per the Saskatchewan Health Authorities enforced closures effective March 20th – which also affects our Martensville Child Development Centre that is a shared space with a school

Earlier this past week, the YMCA of Saskatoon initiated a pandemic preparedness protocol. During this rapidly evolving situation, the YMCA has focused on making the best possible decisions based on available information to help ensure the health, safety and well-being of staff, and the members, participants, families and children of the YMCA community.

Yesterday, based on all the most up-to-date and best possible information available, the YMCA has made the difficult decision to close all the health, fitness and aquatics programs, schools out camp until further notice.

All memberships have automatically been placed on hold for the duration of the closure, Credits and refunds details will vary by program and will be communicated by individual business areas. We are following local, provincial and federal requirements and as we know information we are passing this information on to staff, members and those who utilize our various services.

We do not take lightly that this decision will cause unintended challenges and concerns for families. Please know that we are doing everything we can within our resources and abilities as a charitable organization to treat this situation with the utmost thoughtfulness and care for all involved.

We are confident that as a unified community with a strong and clear focus on caring for each other we will endure, and when we re-open, the YMCA will be more important than ever. The YMCA will be ready to help build our strong communities, connect people when they need it most, and offer programs and service to enable our communities to live healthy, active lives.

The YMCA is grateful for the patience and support of the YMCA community during this complex and rapidly evolving situation.

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