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YMCA PRE-SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

ALEXANDRIA, MN – The Alexandria Area YMCA is excited to welcome all community members to a Preschool and Kindergarten Readiness Open House on Thursday, Feb. 2. Classrooms will be open from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. for families to observe, play, and learn from current YMCA Child Care students and teachers.

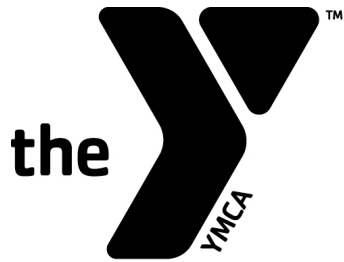
Each day, YMCA teachers work together to plan activities that will prepare children to transition from preschool into Kindergarten. Creative Curriculum and Handwriting Without Tears are used as a foundation for exploration and learning. Each day, children develop independence and social-emotional well being, while exploring language and literacy, mathematics, science and technology, social studies, and the arts. YMCA staff actively engage in the use of positive behavior guidance and Y core values.

Y childcare children also enjoy the many things the YMCA has to offer like the gymnasium, aquatic center, and playground for large motor skill development.

For more information on open houses, or enrollment, please contact the YMCA Child Care Operations Coordinator, Jenny Johnson, jjohnson@alexandriaymca.com, or (320) 834-9622. County Assistance for YMCA Child Care is accepted.

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With a commitment to nurturing the potential of kids, promoting healthy living, and fostering a sense of social responsibility, the Y ensures that every individual has access to the essentials needed to learn, grow and thrive. Anchored in more than 10,000 neighborhoods around the country, the nation's 2,686 Y's serve over 21 million people each year. YMCAs have proudly served America's communities for nearly 160 years by building healthy spirit, mind and body for all.



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The mission of the Alexandria Area YMCA is simple: to put Christian principles into practice through programs that build healthy spirit, mind and body for all.