

Choosing the Best YMCA Membership to Save You Money

We understand and are sensitive to the financial situation this economy is producing. As the Southington Community YMCA strives to support the community in a variety of ways, we wanted to help by freezing our current fees in our Child Care & Development programs for the 2009-2010 school year. We appreciate you choosing the YMCA and we hope this helps your family continue to enjoy your experiences here.

Your membership at the YMCA is not only an investment in you and your family but also in your community. YMCA membership fees are established so that all members can share fairly and equitably in operational costs as well as support the many community programs the Y provides in Southington. Joiner fees are used to reinvest in the Y's facility enhancement and equipment purchases.

If you are enjoying all the benefits that a Family (Full) Membership offers, than you may already know the savings you are currently receiving. We want to explain and show you the math behind the differences in our Program Membership verses Preschool/Youth (Full) Membership, so you and your family can make a confident decision in which YMCA membership best fits your needs and may save you money.

When choosing between a basic **Program Membership** verses a **Preschool/Youth (Full) Membership**, here are the numbers that may help you with your choice. We used MWF Nursery School and Half-Day Pre K as examples.

Preschool/Youth (Full) Membership

\$12.50 per month x 12 months + \$24 joiner fee = \$174 per year

Program Membership

\$65 per year

MWF Nursery School Tuition (at Full Member fee)

\$152 per month x 10 months = \$1520

MWF Nursery School Tuition (at Program Member fee)

\$162 per month x 10 months = \$1620

Membership + Tuition (at Full Member fee)

\$174 + \$1520 = \$1694

Membership + Tuition (at Program Member fee)

\$65 + \$1620 = \$1685

Multiple Program Example

\$174 + \$1520 Nursery School + \$81 Gymnastic = **\$1775**

Multiple Program Example

\$65 + \$1620 Nursery School + \$104 Gymnastic = **\$1789**

(example of Gymnastic class is only for one session, not the year ... the more sessions and programs your child attends, the more you save with a Preschool/Youth (Full) Membership)

Half-Day Pre K Tuition (at Full Member fee)

\$286 per month x 10 months = \$2860

Half-Day Pre K Tuition (at Program Member fee)

\$296 per month x 10 months = \$2960

Membership + Tuition (at Full Member fee)

\$174 + \$2860 = \$3034

Membership + Tuition (at Program Member fee)

\$65 + \$2960 = \$3025

Multiple Program Example

\$174 + \$2860 HDPK + \$73 PM Swim Lesson = **\$3107**

Multiple Program Example

\$65 + \$2960 HDPK + \$110 PM Swim Lesson = **\$3135**

(example of PM Swim Lesson is only for one session, not the year ... the more sessions and programs your child attends, the more you save with a Preschool/Youth (Full) Membership)

If you plan to have your child attend more than one program at the YMCA (i.e. Child Care, swim lessons, youth sports, YMCA Camp Sloper, Pre-School Enrichment Classes, etc.), it is more cost effective for your child to be a Preschool/Youth (Full) Member verse a Program Member. There is only a minor difference in the total cost the longer your child attends, which is usually 10 months in our Child Care & Development programs.

The social, emotional, cognitive, physical and creative development benefits your child receives when attending our YMCA programs will always be greater than the money you invest in their future. The money you will save by choosing the best membership to fit your needs will be a bonus.