



## SOUTHGATE - OCTOBER

CYC School-Age Childcare programs are licensed by the New York State Office of Children and Family Services.

Welcome to October! Our theme for the month is "Happy Halloween." We'll be doing a lot of fall and Halloween inspired crafts! An activities sheet will be handed out with all the different things we have planned for this month, so watch for that.

As you may have noticed, programs are operating a little differently this year. No parents are allowed to enter the school building. As you arrive, please call or text us so we can meet you at the door to sign in/out your child. If there is another family already at the door, please either stay 3 feet behind them or stay in your car until they are done to maintain social distancing.

Children and staff are required to be always masked inside during program. Masks are optional for children and staff outside.

CYC does not provide snack, so if your child(ren) needs a snack for the after-school program, please make sure you pack one for them.

We ask that children wash their hands immediately upon entry into the building. They will then be socially distanced within their groups. We will be focusing more on socially-distanced group activities this year and ask that children refrain from bringing any toys from home to program. Outdoor play will happen frequently, so as the weather gets colder please make sure your children have the appropriate clothing.

If your application is missing information, please remember you can update it at any time in the parent portal. Per OCFS regulations, each application must include two emergency contacts and a mailing address and phone number for every person listed on the application.

If you need to reach us during program hours, the site phone (518-227-8846) will always be with us. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to ask me. You can also reach me at [dmills@colonieryouthcenter.org](mailto:dmills@colonieryouthcenter.org).

Thank you, and we look forward to the month ahead!  
- Danicia, Nicole, and Staff 😊

### IMPORTANT DATES

**October 8 (Fri) – Early Release Day**  
After-School Programs WILL operate

**October 11 (Mon) – Columbus Day**  
No school / no program

**October 22 (Fri) – Half-Day of School**  
\*Half-day Program offered

**October 27 (Wed) – Half-Day of School**  
\*Half-day Program offered



### LOOKING AHEAD

**November 2 (Tue) – Conference Day**  
\*Vacation Camp offered

**November 11 (Thu) – Veterans Day**  
No school / no program

**Nov 24-26 (Wed-Fri) – Thanksgiving Recess**  
No school / no program

*\* pre-registration is required; stay tuned for further details!!*

### IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

- ❖ CYC promotes a NUT FREE environment. This means that any food provided by CYC will be nut/tree nut free. However, children are allowed to bring snacks from home which may or may not be nut free. In the event that a child enrolls with a "Life Threatening" allergy, this policy is subject to change.
- ❖ Before-school drop off begins at 7:00 am and after-school pickup is no later than 6:00 pm
- ❖ Children must be signed in at drop-off and signed out at pick-up
- ❖ Electronics are not allowed at program (unless otherwise noted)
- ❖ CYC is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged items brought from home.

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