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**Dear Y Members:**

**We are very excited to announce we are reopening on Saturday June 20<sup>th</sup>!**

While we have been closed, we've been busy serving the community with:

- Emergency child care for essential workers;
- Feeding families and individuals in need;
- Keeping our members healthy with virtual workouts, wellness tips and recipes;
- Offering free art, dance and STEM virtual classes;
- Engaging families with virtual game nights;
- Continuing to house close to 90 men in our Hart House Member-In-Residence program;
- Planning for summer camp, and for reopening our main facilities and child care programs.

Details will be sent to you soon about how our Y will work as we reopen in phases and follow the federal, state and local safety guidelines. Here's an overview:

- Members will be screened before entering our building with questions and a temperature check.
- All YMCA front line staff will wear masks and additional hand sanitizing stations will be available.
- Equipment and participants in classes will be spread out to follow safety guidelines and maintain safe distances. We've come up with creative solutions to best utilize the space we have at our branches, including a designated room for personal training.
- Group exercise classes will be held indoors and outdoors (weather permitting).
- Regular cleaning and disinfecting will be done throughout the day. Deep cleaning and disinfecting will be done when the Y is closed.
- Workout times will be by reservation to maintain safe capacity at the Y.
- Only Meriden-New-Britain-Berlin YMCA members and staff will be allowed in the buildings. No guests or visitors will be allowed at this time.

## **Membership**

We are hopeful you will continue to support the Y. Our Y has helped our community stay healthy. We ask that you please keep your membership active so we can keep our Y healthy during these challenges. Your support is more critical than ever.

Thank you to those who stayed with us during the closure. The dues of all active and donated memberships from March 17 – June 19 are donated to the Meriden-New Britain-Berlin's COVID-19 fund. This fund has helped to cover some of the costs of providing free

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emergency child care for essential workers. This fund will also be used going forward to help with financial assistance for child care, summer camp and more.

For those who put their memberships on temporary hold, thank you for not canceling. A temporary hold tells us you are still with us, and we are grateful for your message of support. Your membership will be activated again on June 20<sup>th</sup> (unless you placed your membership on a longer hold period, then it will be reactivated when that hold date ends). Drafts will start in July for those reactivated on June 20<sup>th</sup> and will follow your normal draft schedule.

We understand that not every family is able to continue their membership due to their financial situation. Please contact us and let us know if we can offer financial assistance for reduced membership fees.

### **YMCA Programs**

All programs which were interrupted with the closing are postponed. We still plan to make them up. Program directors will be in touch with participants as information becomes available.

### **Summer Camp**

Summer Camp starts June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Online registration is available now for Mountain Mist Day Camp at [meridenymca.org](http://meridenymca.org). Online registration for Camp Thundermoon starts June 2<sup>nd</sup> and will be available at [nbbymca.org](http://nbbymca.org).

### **Contact the YMCA**

You can still contact our Y branches:

- Meriden YMCA at (203) 235-6386
- Berlin YMCA at (860) 357-2717
- New Britain YMCA at (860) 229-3787.

Calls are being forwarded and someone will respond back to you within 48 hours. All Y information including reopening details, hours, group exercise schedules and more will be posted on our web sites at [meridenymca.org](http://meridenymca.org) and [nbbymca.org](http://nbbymca.org), sent via email, and posted on our social media.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

Sincerely,

John Benigni, CEO, Meriden-New Britain-Berlin YMCA

Steve Markoja, Branch Executive Director, Meriden YMCA

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