

Kids Night Out Parent/Guardian Information Sheet

YMCA OF PIERCE AND KITSAP COUNTIES

Kids Night Out Dates 2023–24

October 14, 2023
November 18, 2023
December 9, 2023
January 13, 2024
February 10, 2024
March, 9, 2024
April 13, 2024
May 18, 2024
June, 8, 2024

Pricing

YMCA member – 1st child (\$40), 2nd child (\$15), 3rd child (\$10)
Non-Y member – 1st child (\$45), 2nd child (\$20), 3rd child (\$10)

Times

Drop off time: 5:30 – 6 pm
Pick up time: 10:00 – 10:15 pm

Because Kids Night Out is a fundraiser for our teens who are involved with our Teen Leadership Development programs, scholarships or staff discounts are not available.

Registration

- You may register online at www.ymcapkc.org/kids-night-out or in person at the membership office at the Morgan YMCA. Both the online and in person registration will close at 7pm the Thursday before each KNO.
- When registering either online or in person, you will be emailed a link to a Jotform which will ask for some additional information that our current system is unable to collect. Please make sure that you fill out all of the information, especially if your child has medical concerns, dietary restrictions or would like to be with a friend or sibling who is within two years of age.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Dropping Off and Signing In

- When dropping off your child please stay with them until they are completely checked in. You will need to sign your child in, verify phone numbers, authorized pick-up or indicate if you are picking your child up early.
- While you are signing your child out during pick up, we will go get them and bring them to you. Your child will be released only to persons you have authorized, 18 years of age or older and will be asked to see photo ID.
- If anyone arrives to pick up your child, and is not authorized to do so, we will call the parents/guardians to get verbal confirmation that that person is ok to sign your child out.
- If you are needing to pick up your child earlier than 10pm, please indicate on the sign in sheet and we will make sure they are ready for you at the specified time.



Insurance

It is the responsibility of every parent or legal guardian to provide for their child's accident and health coverage while participating in Kid's Night Out. The YMCA of Pierce and Kitsap Counties does not provide any accident or health coverage for its participants.

Refunds

If your child is unable to attend a Kids Night Out we will offer you a different month and just transfer your child to that month. Since Kids Night Out is a fundraiser, refunds will not be available.

Q. How do I register my child(ren) for Kids Night Out?

A. You can register in one of two ways. Either on our website at www.ymcapkc.org or in person at membership. Both the online and in person registration closes at 7pm the Thursday before each KNO.

Q. If I am receiving Financial Assistance from the YMCA does it apply to Kids Night Out?

A. No it doesn't. Kids Night Out is a fundraiser for the teens of the YMCA who are a part of the Teen Leadership Development programs.

Q. Do YMCA staff discounts apply to Kids Night Out?

A. We are excited that you want to sign your child up, however since Kids Night Out is a fundraiser for the teens who are a part of our Teen Leadership Development programs, unfortunately staff discounts would not apply.

Q. Do you take DSHS?

A. Unfortunately we are not able to take DSHS since this is not a licensed child care program.

Q. What is the supervision like for KNO?

A. There is a YMCA staff person supervising Kids Night Out for the entirety of the event and the remaining supervision is made up of our teens who are participants in our Teen Leadership Development program. All the teens have gone through a training that includes: Child Abuse Prevention Training, Behavior Management, Building Rapport, and a Washington State Patrol background check.

Q. What is the ratio of staff to kids for Kids Night Out?

A. We do our best to maintain a one to five ratio for Kids Night Out. We have 10 kids for every two teen leaders per group and anywhere from two-three groups per unit. Within each unit there is a teen unit leader who provides additional support to the teen group leaders. Along with the teens we do have a YMCA staff person onsite until all the youth have left.

Q. What is a unit?

A. The kids are divided up by age. Traditionally youth 6-8 year olds are in the youngest unit and 8-10 year olds are in the oldest unit. This is dependent on the age ranges of the youth registered.

Q. If my child has a friend attending Kids Night Out can they be in the same group?

A. If your child and their friend are within two years of age then we will do our best to place them in the same group. After you register your child online or in person, you will be sent a Jotform where you can add in that request.

Q. What should my child bring with them to Kids Night Out?

A. Dress your child in athletic apparel that allows them to fully participate in KNO activities. Do not send electronic equipment, toys, snacks (unless your child has severe food allergies), money, or any valuables. We are not responsible for any of these items if they become lost, broken or stolen. Items left behind will be held for one week.

Q. What time should I drop off and pick up my child?

A. Drop off time is between 5:30-6pm. Pick up time is between 10:00-10:15pm. If you need to pick up earlier, please indicate the time on the sign in sheet and we will make sure they are ready for you.

Q. Do I have to be present to sign my child in?

A. Yes. If someone else is dropping off your child, please let them know they have to come into the Y and sign in.

Q. What if my child takes medication?

A. If your child is taking any medications, please make sure that they take them prior to attending Kids Night Out. We will not be administering any medications. If your child requires an EpiPen, please place your child's name on it and leave it with YMCA staff upon check in. It will be returned upon check out. Please note that staff are unable to administer the EpiPen if needed.

Q. What if I am not a Y member?

A. You do not need to be a member for your child to participate in Kids Night Out.

Q. What if my child is signed up for Kids Night Out and is unable to attend? Do I get a refund?

A. If your child is unable to attend a Kids Night Out we will offer you a different month and just transfer your child to that month. Since Kids Night Out is a fundraiser, refunds will not be available.

Q. What type of activities will the children do during Kids Night Out?

A. Activities may include organized games in the gym, arts/crafts and a light snack. They will travel around the YMCA participating in these activities with their group/unit. After the last rotation, all the units will come together for a special event.

Q. Are there special themes for each Kids Night Out?

A. Every once in a while we will have a special dress up theme for the night to help make the night that much more exciting for everyone.

Q. What type of snacks do you serve?

A. We do a light snack and try to steer away from foods that are high in sugar. Traditionally we will do pre-packaged items from veggies/fruit, juice, cheese sticks, fruit snacks, pretzels, popcorn etc. Please make sure that your child has dinner before coming to Kids Night Out since we only serve light snacks.

Q. What if my child has allergies/food restrictions?

A. Just note them on the Jotform and we will do our best to accommodate them. If your child needs special snacks, you may send them with your child.

Q. What do I do if I have to pick my child up early from Kids Night Out?

A. During check in please let us know and we will make sure that your child is ready to go at the time indicated.

Q. What if I am unable to pick up my child and someone else is?

A. You will need to indicate that on the Jotform that will be sent after registering for Kids Night Out or when you drop your child off. All people you authorize to pick up your child, including yourself and spouse, should be listed on the Jotform. We do check 100% of all ID's of those individuals picking up from KNO, so please let those who will be picking up your child that we will be asking and checking that against the authorized list. If someone does come to pick up your child and they are not listed, we will call you to get verbal authorization to ensure the safety of your child. All persons picking up your child must be 18 years of age or older.

Q. Will I receive an update on how my child did when I pick them up?

A. Feel free to ask us how your child did during KNO. We are more than willing to share. If your child did struggle we will do our best to connect with you prior to you leaving the building.

If you have any questions, please contact Don Brevik at 253-460-8822 or dbrevik@ymcapkc.org.