

Solvay Geddes Community Youth Center- Fall 2020 Re-Opening Plan

Frequently Asked Questions

August 24, 2020

Q: When will we be re-opening?

A: Gov. Cuomo has approved opening gyms on August 24, 2020 at 33% capacity. There are many guidelines to adhere to in order to open. We are working diligently through that process and we expect to open Monday September 14, 2020. The health department will inspect us prior to opening.

Q: Will the operation be exactly as it used to be?

A: There are mandatory changes that need to be adhered to. A mask must be worn at all times (except while in the pool). That even includes when you are working out. We will follow all social distancing protocols while in the facility. A few other mandatory procedures:

- **A health screening must be filled out each time you enter the building. Info required include name, address, phone number and any potential symptoms of COVID-19 that you may be experiencing.**
- **Temperature will be taken at the sign-in desk.**
- **Equipment and lockers are to be sanitized before you use them and after you use them.**

Q: What areas of the facility are NOT available immediately?

A: The following areas will not be available for use until they are approved:

- **No Basketball**
- **No Steam Room**
- **No Communal Showers (we are going to try to create a divider in the men's shower so they can be used)**
- **No water fountains available(bring your own water)**

Q: Do I have to make a reservation to use the facility?

A: Because we have to operate at 33% capacity, you will need to make a reservation to use the pool. We will have 1.5 hour (15 minutes to change, 60 minutes in the water, and 15 minutes to shower/change) blocks to use the pool. You must make your request 24 hours in advance to book your allotted time in the pool. You can do so by calling our office at 315-488-3666.

At this time, we do not feel it is necessary to make a reservation for the exercise room. If it becomes too crowded or social distancing becomes compromised, we reserve the right to require reservations for the exercise room.

Q: Do we have the proper airflow to minimize the risk of spreading COVID-19?

A: We have ordered the mandatory filters for our HVAC system to become compatible with the guidelines set forth by New York State.

Q: Will the facility be cleaned more regularly?

A: Per the guidelines, bathrooms and locker rooms must be cleaned every 2 hours. We ask that our members do their part by cleaning/sanitizing equipment and/or lockers before and after they use them.

In addition to that mandate, we will follow our regular cleaning schedule.

Q: Will you offer the after school program?

A: Initially, we will not be offering our after school program until we can do so safely. The health of our members and our employees is our number one priority. Please refer to our website for updates as we move forward.

Q: Will you be offering swim lessons and aqua classes when you re-open?

A: Current participants will be contacted by the Aquatics Director after re-opening with details about when we will resume swim lessons and aqua classes.