

# LEARN PLAY GROW



## KidZone at the YMCA of Orange County

### WELCOMING ALL INTO OUR COMMUNITY

At the YMCA of Orange County, you are family. We are committed to supporting all families and children by providing a safe and secure space for your children to engage in activities, physical play and exploration, character development, and community service.

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### KidZone at the Y

KidZone is a free service for family fitness facility memberships. KidZone is for children 6 weeks to 11 years of age while you work out or volunteer at the YMCA. We provide a safe and structured environment that emphasizes social emotional development and a variety of age appropriate fun activities.

### Special Activities

We also offer a variety of other activities and events year round. These may include:

- Date Nights
- Drop & Shop
- Specialty Camps during Thanksgiving, Winter, and Summer breaks
- Halloween Trunk or Treat Events
- Healthy Kids Day annually in April



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## Staff

A minimum of 2 staff will always be present in KidZone. Our staff have been through a thorough screening process, and have received training in childcare best practices and safety (i.e. CPR). They are also mandated reporters and trained in child abuse prevention. We are not a licensed program but aim to keep our program in line with the following ratios as a best practice:

- 6 weeks-12 months 1:4
- 12 months to 24 months 1:6
- 2 years - 5 years 1:12
- 6 years -11 years 1:14

Staff may not be alone with children they meet in YMCA programs outside the YMCA. This includes babysitting.

## Visiting KidZone

The KidZone is a courtesy service to our members. We will make every attempt to accommodate care, however, there may be times when the allowable capacity is reached. There is a 90 minute total time limit per day per child. We do not check any children in 15 minutes prior to closing. Parents must check in and out for each visit. Ill children are not allowed in KidZone. If your child has symptoms of illness, (e.g, runny nose, cough, temperature) you will be asked to take him/her home. Illnesses are determined at staff's discretion. Parent/guardian of children must be on the premises at all times. Children must be signed in and out by their approved guardian (over 18) and will not be released to anyone else without prior written approval and a photo ID.

## General Information

KidZone is not licensed for diaper changes. If your child needs to be changed you will be contacted. Children should come dressed for activities like art and outdoor play. Toddlers and older children must wear closed toed shoes at all times. KidZone does not allow toys from home. Food is also not allowed during regular operating hours. Special accommodations for medical reasons should be brought to the attention of the director. Water will be provided to children.

Parents will be contacted if their child is demonstrating harmful or inappropriate behavior or crying for more than 15 minutes during their stay in the KidZone. Members that routinely violate the time limits or policies are subject to having their KidZone privileges revoked.

