



Dear YMCA Members,

We are just days into the new year and we find ourselves in a familiar situation, facing another government mandated closure. Yesterday the Government of Ontario announced a province-wide shut down that is set to begin on 12:01am Wednesday, January 5, 2022 and last until at least January 26, 2022. We are responding differently to this shutdown than we have in the past. Please read carefully to find out how.

What does this shutdown mean for you?

1. Your membership fees will remain active, unless you choose to put your membership on hold.
2. We will continue to offer virtual programming through **Y@Home+**, including:
 - **100+ live fitness classes** per month including Yoga, Arriba, Barre, TotalFit, Bootcamp and more!
 - **Hundreds of on-demand fitness videos** for all fitness levels whether you're just starting out or you're a fitness pro. Plus meditation and mindfulness.
 - **Tons of interactive activities** for children and youth.
 - **An inclusive and active community** from the comfort of your home to motivate you!
 - **New in January!** EatPlantJoy...healthy, nutritious, and stress-free meal planning in 2022 with Dr. Sarah Lucas, MD.

How can I sign up for Y@Home+?

As a charity, your Y is committed to showing up for you and our community. During this shutdown, the best way for you to support us while staying healthy at home, is through our virtual programming. Y@Home+ is **FREE** to members.

If you have not accessed Y@HOME+ simply email us at one of the email addresses below to obtain your free access code. **Please note:** To participate in virtual programming your membership fees must be active. You cannot participate in virtual programming while on hold.

How can I put my membership on hold?

We will not be placing your membership on hold automatically.

You can place your membership on hold by emailing our membership staff at the email address for your branch mentioned below.

Please note: Your hold may not line up exactly to when your most recent payment has been taken, but your hold will take effect immediately and your account will be

automatically credited from the date of your hold.

Donating Membership Fees

As a charity, your Y relies on membership fees and donations. This has been a very challenging twenty-one months for everyone, our communities, our people, our friends, our businesses and the charitable sector. Your YMCA has not been immune from these challenges and we could really use your support. If you wish to have your membership fees processed as a donation, please contact us at the email address below. We thank you for your support during these trying times.

Contacting Us During Closure

Belleville Members – bvmss@ceo.ymca.ca

Quinte West Members – qwmss@ceo.ymca.ca

Peterborough Members – sales@ceo.ymca.ca

Child Care & YMCA of Peterborough Employment Services

Please note that our child care centres in Belleville, Peterborough and Lakefield will continue to operate during the provincial shutdown. The YMCA of Peterborough Employment Services staff will be working remotely and can be reached by emailing findwork@ceo.ymca.ca

We are in this together, and we are looking forward to continuing to be here for you, even when we can't see you in-person.

As always, we will continue to share updates with you throughout this shutdown. Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Be Well, Be Healthy and Stay Safe.

Sincerely,

David Allen
President & Chief Executive Officer
YMCA of Central East Ontario



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