



YMCA

We build strong kids,  
strong families, strong communities.

### Values

The Arthur M. Blank Family Youth YMCA provides experiences to develop and nurture positive self-esteem in an inclusive environment. One of our most important goals of the childhood development center is character development. The YMCA develops character by teaching and demonstrating values of **Caring, Honesty, Respect, and Responsibility**.

### Education Enhancement

The Arthur M. Blank Family Youth YMCA creates and maintains an environment that promotes learning. Academic excellence is valued and encouraged. Activities are designed to teach and challenge. High expectations are the norm for any endeavor undertaken.

### Health & Wellness

The Arthur M. Blank Family Youth YMCA provides opportunities to pursue health and fitness activities while promoting good health habits. Structured and scheduled organized athletic activities promote positive self-esteem

### AFFORDABLE FEES/ASSISTANCE

The Arthur M. Blank Family Youth YMCA is mindful of the costs of raising a child. Reasonable affordable fees are offered to provide an opportunity for all children to participate. The sliding fee scale is available to families making direct payments for child care services. The scale and prices are negotiable. Slots at the various levels are contingent upon the availability of funds.

\$30,000 & Under - \$55.00

\$30,001 and above \$65.00

# YMCA Child Care Philosophy

The Arthur M. Blank Family Youth YMCA childcare programs are built on the concepts of family, child, community, and accessibility.

**Family.** YMCA child care is family-oriented care, which means parents must be included in the care process. The goal of YMCA child care is to support and assist the parent, strengthen parent-child relationships, and to increase the importance of the family unit.

**Child.** Many children spend a significant amount of their childhood in our childcare programs. Fortunately, our programs provide caring role models and age-appropriate experiences that nurture children's growth, encourage positive behavior, and help them develop a strong sense of right and wrong. Child care, more than almost any other program, offers great potential for the achievement of the YMCA mission and objectives in the lives of the children and families served by the YMCA.

**Community.** The YMCA assesses the needs of its community and responds with programs to meet those needs, helping to make the community healthier, safer, and a better place to live. This YMCA designs and delivers its childcare programs according to the specific needs of families in the neighborhood it serves.

**Accessibility.** The Arthur M. Blank Family Youth YMCA believes safety and care are birthrights of all children and it is the responsibility of parents to provide their children with full-time care from birth through adolescence. Quality child care must be available to all who need it, not just those who can afford it.