

**YMCA of Fredericton**  
**YMCA Strong Kids School Scholarship Program**  
**School Nomination Procedure**  
**September 16, 2019 – August 31, 2020**

**What is the YMCA Scholarship Program?**

The YMCA Scholarship Program is available to children from K to Grade 12. It is an opportunity for youth (grades K to 8) and students (grades 9 to 12) to enjoy the benefits of a twelve-month scholarship from September to August. Scholarship students may participate in their choice of one recreation or sports activity per season, plus enjoy unlimited free access to all drop-in programs for Grades K to 12.

**What are the recreation or sports activities in which a student can take part?**

The Y offers age specific programs in three categories: **Early Years:** newborn to kindergarten; **Youth:** grades 1-8; **Students:** grade 9-post-secondary.

School Scholarship students may select one of the age appropriate 'registered' activities per session and according to availability.

All grades have access to drop-in gym, drop in swim and squash. Grade 9 – Grade 12 have access to our Wellness Center (must be 14 years of age /13 if they have completed our Teen Weight Training Course) and Fitness Classes.

**Note:** Registered programs are offered seasonally, enabling students to experience more than one registered program during the scholarship period. Depending on your selection, program fees may apply.

**Who is eligible for the Scholarship Program?**

*Students whose circumstances can be described as follows:*

1. ***The student's family is financially strained or parent(s) has recently lost a job.***
2. ***Student has difficulties socially.***
3. ***Student is having difficulties academically.***

**What is the process?**

**Step 1:** A teacher, guidance counsellor, principal or other school professional (the nominator) nominates a child for a YMCA School Scholarship.

**Step 2:** The Nominator contacts the parents of the child to encourage them to apply. Application forms may be emailed, picked up at the school or sent home with the child, whatever works in the particular circumstances.

**Step 3:** Parents complete the application and return it to the Educator who nominated them.

**Step 4:** The Nominator submits the application by email or fax to the Shawna White at the YMCA of Fredericton. [shawna.white@ymcafredericton.org](mailto:shawna.white@ymcafredericton.org)/506-462-3007 (fax)

**Step 5:** You will receive an email notification when the membership is ready. After you receive the email visit the Welcome Desk at 570 York Street to have your photo taken and receive your membership card.

***YMCA Strong Kids is our annual fundraising campaign focused on raising much needed resources to give children, adults and seniors the opportunities they need to live healthier, happier lives! Strong Kids is about accessibility to the Y, for those in need, through Membership and Camp Scholarship Assistance. This means giving a family a place to get active with a Health and Fitness membership, helping a child learn to swim, or providing children with the chance to experience the magic of YMCA day camp!***

