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**To all Members of our YMCA Family,**

As the coronavirus (COVID-19) situation unfolds, the health and safety of our Y family is our foremost concern. While we continue to monitor the situation closely, we seek to provide transparent, real-time communication. Accordingly, we provide the updates below informed by our interest in meeting key community needs safely, responsibly and in line with prevailing public health advisement.

Throughout our history, the Y's goal has remained the same; providing opportunities for health, togetherness and learning. We know the Y provides opportunities for community engagement, as well as many essential services, and that many families rely on the Y's Child Care services so that they may continue to work. We recognize our organization's role as a community health leader, and will therefore be putting the following operational practices into effect:

**Since the announced State of Emergency and the closure of Palm Beach County School District, the following safety protocols are being implemented:**

- If you are at higher risk for serious illness from COVID-19 because of your age or because you have a serious long-term health problem, it is extra important for you to take actions to reduce your risk of getting sick with the disease.
- If you or a loved one are experiencing flu-like symptoms, including fever, cough or shortness of breath, please stay home, rest and contact your medical provider. We have instructed our staff to do the same.
- To the extent your children can stay at home, please do so.
- Effective immediately, all youth sports activities are suspended.
- Effective Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup> all group activities are suspended. This includes, but is not limited to group exercise classes; youth sports programs and leagues; adult sports programs and leagues; swim lessons; senior programming; Livestrong; Parkinson's programming; Child Watch; and gymnasium activities.

- In an effort to support working families, our Pre-School programs, Fun Days and Spring Break Camps will continue to operate while the Y may do so safely, responsibly and in line with prevailing public health advisement.
- **Beginning Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, operating hours at the Peter Blum Family YMCA and the DeVos-Blum Family YMCA will be limited to weekdays, 6:00AM to 7:00PM. We will be closed on Saturdays and Sundays until further notice.** Membership areas including the wellness center and pool will remain open during this time.

Our YMCA is committed to meeting community needs as long as we can. Moving forward, we ask that members continue to check the Y` s Social media and our website for updates: [YMCASPBC.ORG/COVID19](https://www.ymcaspbc.org/covid19) Facebook: @YMCAofSPBC, @BocaYMCA, @BoyntonYMCA, Instagram: @YMCAOFSPBC, Twitter: @YMCAofSPBC

We value your support and appreciate your understanding,

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