



City of Murrieta



Community Services Department
Youth Center

YOUTH POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

HISTORY

The Murrieta Youth Center (MYC) was imagined in the early 2000's as a two phase project dedicated to the youth of Murrieta. Phase one, completed late 2013, is a six thousand square foot facility with, lounge/ game room, computer lab, conference room, outdoor space, staff offices and multipurpose room. Phase two is intended to be an indoor gymnasium complete with workout room, locker room and gymnasium storage.

PARTICIPATION

The MYC is a drop-in recreational program open to students' grades 6th thru 9th (must show valid school ID or report card verifying grade). Participants will be responsible for their decisions, actions and attendance at the MYC. Staff of the MYC will primarily strive to build a positive and safe environment for participants. Staff cannot physically prevent participants from leaving the site. Parents should discuss the arrival and departure time with their youth and strongly discourage them from leaving the facility prior to the agreed upon time. It is the responsibility of the participant and the parent to arrange transportation to and from the facility. Please be advised that all participants involved in any department programs or special events are subject to being photographed. Such photographs may be used by the City of Murrieta without obligation to provide compensation to those photographed.

MEMBERSHIP

The MYC is a fee based program offering affordable afterschool programming for all youth grades 6th-9th. Participation is limited to a first-come, first serve basis, until capacity is reached. Annual memberships to the MYC are offered at \$20 per school year.

All Youth attending the Youth Center must have a membership.

DISCIPLINE AND BEHAVIOR

Participation at the MYC is a privilege and can be revoked due to inappropriate actions and behavior. All participants are responsible for their behavior and must read and understand the following Youth Center rules to participate.

No Messin'- Respect the privacy and belongings of the youth center and other participants. If it's not yours don't mess with it. Harassment of any kind (physical, emotional and mental) is not tolerated. (MYC staff is not responsible for participants' belongings)

No Missin'- No missing equipment; return all items checked out. No missing required meetings.

No Mixin' - Inappropriate actions with persons of the opposite attraction are prohibited. Age groups are to remain within their areas.

No Mouthin' - Verbal harassment and inappropriate language are not tolerated.

No Mischief – Skateboarding, scootering, bike riding is not allowed at the center. No defacing facility or property. Weapons, drugs, alcohol and tobacco are not tolerated. School dress code rules apply.

The City of Murrieta reserves the right to search participants and/or their belongings at the City's discretion if suspicion of a violation of a rule of conduct exists. Violation of any rule(s) may result in the suspension and/or expulsion from any current and or future City of Murrieta programs. All actions are subject to review by the administrators of the program.

ACTIVITIES

All activities offered by the MYC will be age appropriate. Participants may opt in or out of activities offered however in some cases participation will be strongly encouraged. Some special classes, programs, events and activities will require mandatory participation; participants will be notified if mandatory participation is required.

Movies:

The Murrieta Youth Center provides its members with an opportunity to view movie during various programs. Movies shown at the MYC will have a rating range of G to PG-13; participation in movies is optional. The movies viewed may include mature themes, strong language, mild violence or comedic violence. Staff will attempt to avoid any movies that contain inappropriate material, such as excessive profane language, graphic violence and explicit content.

Video Games:

Participants may be allowed to use the video game consoles and games provided by the Murrieta Youth Center. Staff will monitor the use of the video games in order to avoid the viewing of inappropriate content.

WAIVERS

In the event any of the information provided on the waiver changes, please notify the Murrieta Youth Center staff so participant files can be updated.

We would like to thank you in advance for reading this packet thoroughly and completing the necessary forms and understanding its content to the best of your ability.

Sincerely,

Murrieta Youth Center Staff