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To: All Plattsmouth Community Center Members and Guests

From: Michael Lennen, Director of Recreation

Subject: Updated Age Requirements

Effective August 1, 2014

Facility Age Requirements

Children 13 and older may be in the facility without supervision. Children 8-12 must have someone age 16 or older in the facility with them, but do not require direct supervision. Children 7 and under need direct supervision by someone age 16 or older. If swimming, an adult must be in the pool with the child.

Pool Age Requirements

Children 15 and under must have adult supervision by someone 18 and older to use the pool when no lifeguard is on duty. Children 8 and under must have direct adult supervision in the water with them.

Fitness and Track Age Requirements

Guests 15 and older may be in the fitness area and/or walking track. See **TEEN TRAINERS** for info on 13-14 year olds gaining access to these areas.

These changes come after a long school year of accidents, vandalism, damage to property and equipment, messes and challenging children keeping our staff members from being able to do their jobs effectively. It is our fear that if we do not make a policy change soon, we will have 8-12 year olds in dangerous situations that we cannot be responsible for.

That said, during the school year we will be offering supervised afterschool programs for children in 3rd-6th grade to include; intramural sports for coeds and, possibly, quiet study time. These programs will come at a nominal additional cost to your membership or daily admission and will be offered from the time kids get out of school until 5:30pm or 6:00pm. More definitive information will be coming out soon. Eventually, we plan to start "School's Out Fun Days" for when parents have to work and want fun, engaging activities for their kids to do when they are out of school.



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