



Hamilton Area YMCA Before and After School Electronics Policy

The Hamilton Area YMCA strives to provide Before and After School Program Participants with engaging activities. If electronics are going to be used in the Before and/or After School Programs, the following policy must be followed...

1. Computer Usage- School issued computers can be used during before and after care at the discretion of the site director. If computers are used during the programs, they should be used for homework or other appropriate activities that would be approved by the school district. There is a maximum of 30 minutes allowed for screen time each day during regular session days. On half days, the children can use computer devices for two 30 minute periods with a minimum 60 minute break in between. Computer devices are the child's responsibility. Hamilton Area YMCA is not responsible for lost/broken devices. Inappropriate behaviors/content viewing can result in loss of computer usage.

2. Handheld Devices- children are not permitted to use handheld devices during the before/after school programs.

Any electronic devices will be limited to educational and instructional use, will be age and developmentally appropriate, and will not be used as a substitute for planned activities or for passive viewing.

We will work in coordination with parents/guardians of children with special needs in our programs to ensure that computer and device use is accessible, appropriate, and aligned with each child's individual needs.