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Dear 2018-19 Student Y Chapter,

Welcome! We are so happy to have you join us. Student Y is a student-led program for middle and high school students (grades 6-12) interested in making an impact in local and global communities. Student Y promotes youth development, social responsibility, and healthy living through: civic engagement, servant leadership, and character development. You are joining a network of over 150 Student Y's, and we look forward to seeing your chapter make a lasting impact this year. So, what's included in the 2018-2019 Student Y program:

The Student Y Toolkit

This is a month-by-month guide for you and your Student Y to follow. Each month offers a series of partner resources, template downloads, vlog trainings, as well as monthly service recommendations. This toolkit is meant to act as a rough guide and items listed are recommended, not mandatory. Student Y's may work at their own pace, and pick and choose the resources/projects that best fit their community needs. Student Y's are not limited to the service projects listed, and may choose to engage in others. ***Please note that some tasks/projects listed in this toolkit qualify for Student Y points and do have strict deadlines, but again, they are not mandatory only highly recommended.***

Student Y Chapter Point System

To celebrate the work of our Student Y Chapters, Student Y points are awarded based on service hours, completed chapter Action Plan's, participation in KY YMCA conferences, and more. This year's point categories and amounts are outlined in the Student Y Toolkit. To track these points and your chapter's service hours, the KY YMCA partners with MobileServe. Each Student Y Chapter/Student needs to make a MobileServe account (free of charge for Chapters) and begin tracking hours. For a complete MobileServe guide and "How To", please see the Student Y Toolkit.

Student Y Officer Web Chats & Student Y Bulletins

In an effort to better inform, support, and share your Student Y successes, this year we're pleased to offer informational fall and spring web chats for Officers/Advisors, as well as a monthly Student Y Bulletin. Student Y Bulletin's will be sent to Chapter Officers/Advisors on the first Tuesday of each month. This Fall's Student Y Officer Web Chats will be held on:

- Chat 1: Thursday, September 20th, 4:30-5:30pm ET-- [REGISTER HERE](#)
- Chat 2: Thursday, September 27th, 4:30-5:30pm ET ---[REGISTER HERE](#)

These informational chat's will further outline Student Y resources and allow Officers/Advisors to ask questions as they prep for the year ahead.

Student Y Cards

Student Y Chapters will each receive a deck of Student Y cards in the mail, 1-2 weeks after affiliating. This deck of cards offers 52 engaging ways to have fun, plan service projects, and develop character and leadership skills throughout the year.

Again, we are so excited to have you on board! If you have any questions about Student Y or how to use these resources, please reach out to Program Coordinator, Mariama Lockington (mariama@kymca.org). We wish you a productive year of servant leadership, civic engagement, and character development!

Onward,
Mariama Lockington (and the KYMCA Staff)