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TROPICAL STORM/HURRICANE FAQ

Where can I go to find out the Tampa YMCA's latest updates in regards to closures, cancellations and staffing plans?

We highly encourage you to bookmark

<https://www.tampaymca.org/weatherupdates>

for important emergency updates concerning the Y. You can also contact your Y's Welcome Center.

What if the local school districts are closed?

The Y's afterschool, preschool and Early Head Start programs are automatically cancelled when schools are closed. However, the Tampa YMCA does not base our center closure decisions on local school closures.

What can I expect if my Y remains open?

Depending on the severity of the storm, some Ys may remain open but may need to cancel classes, activities and programs and solely focus on staffing the Welcome Center, Wellness Center and Kid Zone. Some Ys are in flood-prone areas and may not be able to staff much. We value our staff's safety and thank our members, in advance, for their patience and understanding.

Is the YMCA a shelter?

None of the Tampa YMCAs are primary shelters and are not equipped as such. We will open our Ys to provide a safe place and showers to community residents if the need arises. If the need presents itself, we will also provide temporary free facility access to the community, which will potentially include child watch if staffed properly. We will cooperate fully with local agencies to help anyone in need. For a list of Hillsborough County shelters, [click here](#). For a list of Pasco County shelters, [click here](#).

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