



Participant Consent and Contract

Incomplete forms will not be accepted. Make sure all information is correct. Purposely giving false information may lead to your being dismissed from the program.

Personal Information

First name _____ Last name _____

Date of birth (eg. Jan. 14, 2005) _____ Age _____ Male _____ Female _____

Street address _____

City _____ Province _____ Postal Code _____

Contact Phone _____

Parent or Legal Guardian 1 - *If there is one single parent or legal guardian, please cross out the second.*

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Contact Phone Number _____

Parent or Legal Guardian 2

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Contact Phone Number _____

Declaration

I, (or parent / legal guardian) _____

warrant that all information described above is correct to the best of my knowledge. I hereby consent to and authorize the release and disclosure of that information to representatives of the Government of Canada (Canada) department that funds the YMCA Youth Exchanges Canada Program, delivered by the YMCA of Greater Toronto in partnership with the YMCA of Greater Vancouver, YMCA of Northern Alberta and the YMCAs of Quebec (collectively referred to as YMCA) for the specific statistical and related purposes of the Program.

Signature of **parent or legal guardian**

Date

General Terms and Conditions

Statement on Government Funding and Collection of Participant Information

I understand that Canada funds this YMCA program, and therefore may be subjected to government approval and conditions, which may be varied from time to time. Participation in this Program is non-transferable. Should funding cease, YMCA shall refer participants to a government representative for more information or to other service providers in the community whenever possible.

I also understand that since funding for the Program has been provided by Canada, Canada needs my participant information to measure the results of the Program and evaluate the Program's success; evaluate more generally, the success of the Program in achieving its objective; and meet its obligation of accountability to Parliament and the Canadian public by reporting program results.

The information, when provided to Canada, is administered in accordance with the Privacy Act and the Department of Employment and Social Development Canada Act. I have a right under the Access to Information Act to obtain that information from Canada. For more information about your privacy rights, visit the Government of Canada website. www.Canada.ca

I understand that in addition to information collected on behalf of the Government as required, YMCA may be involved in other research projects. To provide the highest standard of program quality, participants may be requested to complete a questionnaire either before, during and or after the exchange has taken place. All information collected will comply with Canada's Privacy Act or applicable provincial or municipal privacy law.

Limitation of Liability

YMCA is not responsible for any bodily injury, loss, or damage to personal property suffered by the participant before, during, or after the exchange, unless such injury, loss, or damage is the direct and sole result of proven negligence on the part of YMCA. I understand that participation in the Program is voluntary and permit my child to participate in the Program.

YMCA Commitment to Privacy

YMCA of Greater Toronto is committed to protecting personal information by following responsible information handling practices. YMCA collects and uses information I volunteer when I access or register for a YMCA program in order to better meet my service needs, to ensure a safe environment, for statistical purposes, to inform me about the YMCA program in which I am registered, and to satisfy government funding and regulatory requirements. I may also hear from YMCA periodically about other programs, services and opportunities that may interest and benefit me. I may request access to information under the applicable privacy law. For more information on YMCA's commitment to privacy, please visit the website: <https://ymcagta.org/privacy>

YMCA Commitment to Confidentiality

Both YMCA and the Group Leader are committed to the respect of the individual, which includes the maintenance of participant confidentiality. However, the confidentiality of the YMCA-participant relationship is not absolute. There are circumstances that limit the confidentiality of such information. YMCA may collect, use or disclose information without your prior knowledge or consent if it is in your best interest as in, for example, an emergency situation where the life, health or security of an individual is threatened. YMCA may disclose personal information without prior knowledge or consent:

1. To a lawyer or other legal representative of the YMCA.
2. To a government body or agency in certain circumstances.
3. To the relevant authorities if you disclose information relating to the abuse of a child or vulnerable person.
4. To comply with a subpoena, warrant or other court order, or as may be otherwise required by law.
5. To the extent that this information is required to provide program services, including but not limited to program delivery and site coordination.

Exchange Participation

To take part in YMCA Youth Exchanges Canada, all participants, youth and adults, must show that they understand their responsibilities within the exchange and must show mature and responsible behaviour at all times.

You and your parent or legal guardian are asked to sign this form to say that you accept the following conditions and agree to respect the guidelines set by your Group Leader.

Non-participatory or anti-social behaviour, not in keeping with the spirit of this exchange, is unacceptable.

I understand that I am expected to behave appropriately. Behaviour that puts me or others at physical or emotional risk may result in my immediate dismissal from the Program.

I am fully aware of all the conditions of participation in the YMCA Youth Exchanges Canada Program.

Virtual Exchange Agreement

In an effort to continuously serve members/participants, the YMCA Youth Exchanges Canada Program is providing distance-based program experiences through an online platform(s).

Parent/Guardian and Participant acknowledge and agree with the following:

- That the Program will be provided mainly via an online platform unless otherwise notified.
- That only Group Leaders, registered individuals and individuals authorized by Group Leaders are permitted to participate in the Program activities, but that there is a possibility that unregistered and unauthorized individuals (for example, siblings and friends of Participants) may participate in the Program.
- To comply with a Virtual Code of Conduct developed with the Group and understand that consequences for violating the code may include termination of program access, upon notification to Parent/Guardian.
- That if any disability-related accommodations are required, I will communicate my needs to the Group Leader.
- That participation in the Program might involve risks, including, for example, the risk of cyberbullying, and I understand that I can reach out to the Group Leader for support.

Participant Responsibilities:

- I agree to keep the identity of the Group, participants and leaders confidential.
- I will not record or broadcast any group sessions by audio, camera or screenshot.
- I am responsible for ensuring confidentiality by closing other programs on my computer while in a video group call, planning ahead to minimize distractions, and not answering calls or text messages while on the call.

YMCA Expectations of Group Leaders:

Group Leaders are expected

- To conduct the sessions from a private location with high quality, password-protected, wireless Internet connection using an official school or community organization account.
- To engage participants in the planning of the Program.
- To explain responsibilities involved in an exchange to the participants and their families and the potential risks.
- To explain the rules of behaviour established for the Program to participants, including the consequences of inappropriate behaviour and develop a virtual code of conduct.
- To work with participants requesting a disability-related accommodation.
- To appropriately supervise participants.

Signature of **youth participant**

Date

Signature of **parent or legal guardian**

Date