Teen Leadership Newsletter

A newsletter just for Stanwood-Camano Teens and their families

December 2026









What's New this Month

December, already? YES! Bring on the candy canes, the hot chocolate, and of course-winter break!

Hello Teen Families! My name is Shawn, and I am your Stanwood-Camano Teen Director. My goal with this new newsletter is to give you the month-at-a-glance; everything you and your family needs to know to be connected and involved with Teen life at our local YMCA.

This school year, we refocused our effort on being more intentional with the Teen Center as an afterschool space to relax and socialize, as well as our Teen programming. Youth & Government is in full swing; our high school delegation is at its largest ever at 23 delegates, and the newly started middle school delegation is slowly growing! Our monthly Teen Late Nights are also now themed, so come join us-whether it be for a great debate or an evening of fun!

We're also already planning for 2027! This means more fun and events in the Teen Center, Summer Camp, trips and programs-from those we already run, to new and exciting options that YMCA's know and love...👀

Dad Joke of the Month

Have you heard of the new sport called quiet tennis? It's like normal tennis-but without the racket!

Coming Up

Tuesday, December 1	**SC Give: Donate to Youth Leadership programs like Youth & Government!**
Friday, December 4	**Boys Night: 6-9pm, $10 for early signups, $15 for same-day signups**
Friday, December 11	**Teen Late Night: 7-10pm, $10 for early signups, $15 for same-day**
December 21-25	**YMCA closed for Wellness Week**
December 28-30	**Winter Camp @ Camp Casey**

Reminders

- December Teen Center drop-in hours are 2-4pm on regular school days; 11am-1pm on early dismissal days and closed on no school days. A light snack is offered during drop-in hours. **The Teen Center is a free benefit of YMCA membership.**
- The YMCA offers Teen memberships! $41/month; if your Teen goes through the free/reduced lunch program, their membership is $41/year! **Teens are 12-18 years old.**
- Teen Programming! Middle School Youth & Government meets Wednesdays from 4:30-6 in the Teen Center; High School meets Thursdays from 4-6, also in the Teen Center.
- YMCA Membership is not required to sign up for any Teen programs.

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