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Date: March 13, 2026  
City of Palm Desert Parks & Recreation Committee Report: April 7, 2026  
Provided by: Amanda Henn, COO

**Jean Benson Child Development Center Enrollment: 48**

**Carter Elementary School Age Licensed Childcare Enrollment: 49**

**Y Rookies Spring Basketball**

**Ages:** 3-5 years old  
**Dates:** March 28, 2026 – April 18, 2026

**Spring Flag Football**

**Grades:** TK-8<sup>th</sup>  
**Dates:** March 27 – May 29, 2026

**Spring Break Camps**

**Ages:** 5-12 years old  
**Dates:** April 20-24, 2026  
**Fee:** Weekly Rate \$180, Daily Rate \$50

**Parents Night Out**

**Date:** March 21, 2026  
**Time:** 5:00-9:00pm  
**Fee:** \$25  
**Ages:** 5-12 years of age

**March into Wellness**

**Date:** March 28, 2026  
**Time:** 10:00am – 1:00pm  
**Fee:** Free Family Event

Join the Family YMCA of the Desert for a day full of fun with March into Wellness! Many fun and exciting activities are available for all to enjoy, including: an Easter Egg hunt, bounce houses, information booths, a March Madness 3-on-3 tournament, and much more!



# MARCH

## into march newsletter



## IMPORTANT INFO:

Dear Y Families,

Happy March! We've had a busy and exciting start to the year, kicking off with Winter Basketball, and it has been wonderful to see our participants so engaged and enthusiastic. We are consistently impressed by their hard work and positive attitudes. It has been especially rewarding to watch our Y-Rookie participants learning, growing, and blossoming more each day. As we welcome the spring season, there is plenty of fun ahead at the Y, including camps, sports, engaging activities, and special community events. There's truly something for everyone to enjoy, and we look forward to seeing our Y families moving, playing, and growing together as we head into the warmer days.

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

We have some exciting programs coming up at the Y! Be sure to mark your calendars

- Parents Night Out - March 21 Ages 4-12

Enjoy a night out while your kids enjoy a fun-filled evening at the Y with games, activities, and friends!

- Y-Rookies Basketball - Begins Saturday, March 28

Perfect for our youngest athletes to learn the fundamentals, build skills, and have fun on the court.

- Street Hockey - Returns Tuesday, March 31

Back by popular demand! Don't miss the return of this favorite fast-paced program.



## COMMUNITY EVENTS

## UP COMING FUTURE CAMPS

- March 7th

Event: Day of the Children

Location: Coachella

Time: 9:00 AM - 1 PM

- Event: Wildflower Fest

Location: Palm Desert

Time: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

- March 17th

Event: St. Patrick's Day Dinner at Denny's - Kids eat FREE

Location: Palm Desert Denny's

- March 20th

Event: Virtual Panda Express Fundraiser

Location: Any Panda Express - mobile orders ONLY

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- March 22nd

Event: Color the Spectrum Art Fest

Location: Cathedral City

- March 28th

Event: March Into Wellness

Location: Palm Desert YMCA

Time: 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

- Event: YMCA at the Shops

Location: The Shops

Time: 12:30 PM - 8:00 PM

- Event: Glow & Grow

Location: The River at Rancho Mirage

Time: 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM



Spring & Summer Camp Registration Now Open!

- Spring Break Adventure Camp-April 20-24

Ages 5-12 Time: 7:30 AM - 5:30 PM Rate: \$180

Registration is now open! Join us for a week full of adventure, activities, and fun with friends.

- Summer Day Camps Registration NOW OPEN!

Ages 5-12 Time: 7:30 AM - 5:30 PM Weekly Rate: \$190

Our Summer Day Camps are packed with exciting themes, games, field trips, and hands-on activities all summer long!

**\*\*NEW CAMPS FOR 2026! \*\***

- Gamer Camp at The Shops April 20-24

Ages 5-12 Time: 7:30 AM - 5:30 PM

Registration is now open! A perfect camp for kids who love gaming, creativity, and interactive fun.

- Summer Teen Camp June - August

Ages 13-15 Time: 7:30 AM - 5:30 PM Weekly Rate: \$100

Designed just for teens, this camp offers age-appropriate activities, leadership opportunities, and plenty of summer fun.

We look forward to seeing your family at the Y this spring! Thank you for your fantastic support. It's going to be a marvelous March! As always, please feel free to

reach out with any questions at 760.341.9622

