

YMCA of Orange County

## Our Mission

To put Christian principles into practice through programs that build spirit, mind, and body for all.

## Our Vision

To improve lives and strengthen character through youth development, healthy living and social responsibility driven by passionate staff and volunteers.

## Our Values

Respect, Responsibility, Caring, and Honesty - Our values are celebrated by staff and members and provide a positive foundation for all Y programs and a healthy connection with others.

## Our Promise

To keep programs open for all. The Y is a nonprofit, charitable organization that serves the entire community. Donations support our scholarship program and Our Promise.

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Helping children with developmental disabilities partake in after school and child care programs throughout Orange County.



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### What is Y Inclusion?

Y Inclusion helps children with special needs participate in after school, child care, and preschool programs countywide. We provide onsite inclusion support, family support services, staff training, and assessment of children's inclusion needs.

### Program Philosophy

Y Inclusion builds strong kids, strong families, and strong communities through programs that offer hope, intervention, and opportunity to children and families in need in Orange County.

We believe everyone deserves an opportunity to become strong, healthy, and hope-filled members of our community. By applying our talents, dedication, and resources, Y Inclusion seeks to support children with special needs in Orange County.

### Goals of Y Inclusion

We believe that full inclusion can:

- Support and strengthen the family unit.
- Access and participation in existing childcare programs.
- Build healthy and long lasting relationships with peers.

### Eligibility

You may be eligible for Y Inclusion if you meet the following requirements:

- Referral and authorization from the Regional Center of Orange County.
- Reside in Orange County.
- Your child is age 3-16.

Private referrals and inquiries are welcome! You may qualify for financial assistance.

### Steps to Inclusion

- Referral
- From the Regional Center of Orange County.
- Self referral/Childcare referral (private pay option)
- Complete behavioral assessment.
- Placement in After School Child Care.
- Continued supervision and on-site support.

### Onsite Inclusion Support

Experienced and trained inclusion facilitators provide ongoing 1:1, 1:2, 1:3, 1:4 (adult:child support).

### Family Support Services

Families may receive support services from our Behavioral Specialist. Services include program consultations, progress reviews, and placement assistance in preschool, childcare, and after school care programs.

### Staff Training

Ongoing staff training is provided to our staff.

### Assessment of Children's Inclusion needs

An assessment is carried out to determine the most appropriate services for each child.

### Consultation

Onsite consultation is provided to address behavioral concerns, inclusion plans and other related needs.

"Another school year was coming to an end and that sinking feeling began to fill me up as I tried to envision what the summer would look like. What programs would be willing to take an adult sized child with autism? From the moment I walked through Y Inclusion's doors, I knew I was in good hands. My only expectation was to have enough support to keep my son safe and out of trouble. We got so much more! Chris is happy and is learning skills in an environment that would not be possible without the support of a skilled aide. He is afforded the same social opportunities as typical children rather than being sheltered behind closed doors, away from the world. Thank you Y Inclusion for caring about our children and for making a difference in our lives."

- Inclusion Program Parent



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