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The Y's Summer Youth Institute Focuses on Teen Learning and Leadership

Week-long programs help teens learn the basics of robotics, film-making, computer coding and outdoor survival skills in a fun, inclusive environment.

RAPID CITY SD, JUNE 20, 2024 – The YMCA of Rapid City has announced its summer programming focused on teen age students entering 7th to 12th grades in the Fall of 2024. Multiple sessions are available and focus on STEM, film-making and outdoor survival programs that teach teens leadership, teamwork, problem-solving and hands-on learning by doing!

“The Y Institute provides teen agers with the lifelong skills they need to live healthy, active lives and successful futures,” Josh Egbert, YMCA of Rapid City Teen Outreach Director states. “These programs help strengthen our community’s youth by focusing on teamwork, character-building and problem-solving techniques teens must develop to be successful adults.”

Sessions include:

Robotics and Coding 101 – July 22 to August 2 (Mon.-Fri. 8am-4pm) Hands-on learning of basic robotics development and computer language coding. Lunch is provided.

Movie Making 101 – July 8-19 (Mon.-Fri. 8am-4pm) Learn the basics of the entire film making process start to finish using professional software and equipment. Lunch is provided.

Outdoor Adventures Camp – August 5-9 (Mon. 9am – Fri. 11 am) A one-week, overnight camping trip focused on hiking, team-building, outdoor survival skills and campfire cooking in the beautiful Black Hills.

Weekly fee varies by program and events, and scholarships are available to eligible applicants to offset costs. Applications can be picked up at the YMCA or online at www.rcyi.org

Questions? Please contact the Y at 605-718-9622, via email to joshe@rcymca.org or visit rcyi.org

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About the Rapid City Y

Driven by its founding mission, the Rapid City Y has served as a leading nonprofit committed to strengthening community for more than 76 years. The Y empowers everyone, no matter who they are or where they're from, by ensuring access to resources, relationships and opportunities for all to learn, grow and thrive. By bringing together people from different backgrounds, perspectives and generations, the Y's goal is to improve overall health and well-being, ignite youth empowerment and demonstrate the importance of connections in and across 10,000 communities nationwide. Learn more at rcymca.org