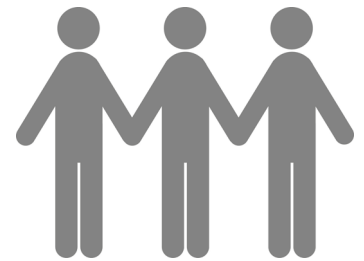




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7th Grade Initiative GREATER SCRANTON YMCA



As youth begin to face the many challenges of adolescence, they are more likely to begin distancing themselves from formal organizations, friends and family, and to experiment with unhealthy and illegal behaviors. The **7th Grade Initiative** is an opportunity for the Y to engage, cultivate and connect with youth at a time that is most crucial to their development.

7th Graders receive a free membership to the Greater Scranton YMCA by completing the following three tasks:

- **Grades:** Maintain a "C" average in school.
- **Physical Activity:** Workout once a week at the Y.
- **Volunteering:** Volunteer a minimum of 5 hours during the school year at one of the youth programs and at a special event at the Y (examples: Healthy Kids Day, Holiday Craft Fair, Youth Sweetheart Dance). A list of opportunities/events will be provided.

Registration for the 7th Grade Initiative is easy! **Students must attend an informational session on November 1st from 5:00-5:30 pm at the Y and bring proof of 7th grade status (a roster or report card) to the Greater Scranton YMCA.**

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