



YMCA MANCHESTER

Welcome to the YMCA Manchester Education Department

We are an alternative education provision who offer a range of accredited education and skills-based training programmes in Sports, Fitness, Employability, Personal Development and Functional Skills.

We work with young people aged 13-24 that may be at risk of exclusion, struggling in a school setting, have SEND, face SEMH challenges, are a young carer or living in care.

We look forward to welcoming you to our establishment so that you can see for yourself what makes YMCA Manchester so special.



YMCA Manchester has been providing educational programmes and personal development opportunities for vulnerable and marginalised young people for over 175 years.



What makes us different?

- Our Environment Our learners respond well to the relaxed, quieter atmosphere and being out of the school environment.
- Our Facilities We have full use of all Y Club facilities, including the recently refurbished gym, multi-use sport-hall, running track, dance studio, swimming pool and 2 Rugby Fives courts.
- Our Provision We provide each student with breakfast and lunch at our restaurant, giving learners the energy they need to reach their full potential.
- We develop and build young people's confidence by embedding independent and team building activities into their daily routine.

- We develop student's self-efficacy through
 1:1 tuition and a tailored curriculum that best suits their needs.
- We are flexible and listen to our young people, creating a timetable that best suits their needs.
- We allow students to set their own goals and choose their own rewards.
- We develop relationships with parents, schools and caregivers via constant communication; detailed feedback is sent out at the conclusion of each day.
- We create a safe, welcoming environment for young people to express themselves without judgement. Time is set aside at the beginning and middle of the day for pupils to have meaningful conversations with their tutors.

Focus

The focus of our work is physical activity and health and wellbeing; using a holistic young person centred approach we address, mental health, body image, physical fitness, selfesteem, communication and leadership skills. This is delivered via our multi-disciplinary team made up of qualified teachers, youth workers and coaches who specialise in SEND, Challenging Behaviour, Health, Fitness and Physical Activity.



Sports Qualifications

	Pearson BTEC Level 1 Certificate in Sport & Active Leisure	Pearson BTEC Level 1 Diploma in Sport & Active Leisure	Pearson BTEC Level 2 Certificate in Leadership through Sport	Pearson BTEC Level 2 Diploma in Leadership through Sport
Duration	1 Year	2 Years	1 Year	2 Years
Programme Structure	4 Units	10 Units	3 Units	5 Units
	How the Body Works Planning Your Own Fitness Programme Assisting a Leader Investigating Rights & Responsibilities	Taking Part in Sport Taking Part in Exercise and Fitness How the Body Works Planning Your Own Fitness Programme Working in Sport and Active Leisure Assisting a Leader Job opportunities in Sport and Active Leisure Assisting at a Sport or Active Leisure Event Working in a Team Physical Activities for Children	Planning and Leading Sports Activities Nutrition for Sports Performance Technical Skills and Tactical Awareness for Sport	Planning and Leading Sports Activities Nutrition for Sports Performance Technical Skills and Tactical Awareness for Sport Injury in Sport Business Skills in Sport or Psychology for Sports Performance

Additional Qualification

		NCFE Level 1 Certificate in Business and Enterprise				
D	uration	1 Year				
	rogramme tructure	4 Units				
		Introduction to Business and Enterprise Marketing for Business and Enterprise	Finance for Business and Enterprise Plan, Outline and Take Part in a Business or Enterprise Project			

Functional Skills Qualifications

	Pearson Edexcel Functional Skills English (Entry 3)	Pearson Edexcel Functional Skills English (Level 1)	Pearson Edexcel Functional Skills English (Level 2)	Pearson Edexcel GCSE English
Duration	1 Year	1 Year	1 Year	1 Year
	Pearson Edexcel Functional Skills Maths (Entry 3)	Pearson Edexcel Functional Skills Maths (Level 1)	Pearson Edexcel Functional Skills Maths (Level 2)	Pearson Edexcel GCSE Maths
Duration	1 Year	1 Year	1 Year	1 Year

MEET THE TEAM



NICOLE JOSEPH (nicole@ymcamanchester.org.uk)

Role: Head of Targeted Youth Service & Education Specialist Areas: Trauma & Resilience, Mental Health & Wellbeing, Creativity and Personal Development within a SEND context

Interests: Communication and Connectivity, Cycling, **Outdoor Swimming**



GEMMA SARSFIELD (gemmas@ymcamanchester.org.uk)

Role: Lead Tutor

Specialist Areas: Anatomy and Physiology, Early Intervention for Mental Health, Challenging Behaviour, SEND, SEMH, Sports Coaching

Interests: Bodybuilding, Rugby Fives, Basketball



DYLAN GAIR

Role: Tutor

Specialist Areas: Sports Coaching and Development,

Psychology of Sport, SEND, SEMH **Interests:** Football, Cricket, Triathlon



MICHAEL CORNEILLE

Role: Tutor

Specialist Areas: Mentoring and Personal Development,

SEND, SEMH, Curriculum Development **Interests:** Football, Cycling, Boxing



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Feedback from our **Young People**







"It has given me so much to study at the YMCA; I am like a different person from who I was 2 years ago. I was lacking confidence in myself as a person and in my ability to learn and achieve"

"YMCA Tutors have helped me feel better about myself because they gave me self-belief. They did this by showing they care, by listening to me and by helping me with my work. The staff always explain things in a way that makes sense and they make the theory session seem easy by breaking things down into small steps"

"The atmosphere here is relaxed, free from tension, free from stress and I feel safe to be myself. You are accepted for who you are made to feel like who you are is good enough."

"I was lonely and didn't have friends before I came here. By coming here I have made friends for life. We have bonded. We have learnt that caring for, and supporting each other, is important. We have been taught how to give each other praise"



YMCA enables people to develop their full potential in mind, body and spirit. Inspired by, and faithful to, our Christian values, we create supportive, inclusive and energising communities, where young people can truly belong, contribute and thrive.

FAMILY WORK ACCOMMODATION HEALTH & WELLBEING SUPPORT & ADVICE