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RE: NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK

DATE: APRIL 25, 2022

The purpose of this Memorandum is to provide members of Council with an update about National Youth Week activities from Recreation and Culture Services. National Youth Week starts Saturday, May 1st and runs until National Child and Youth Mental Health Day on Friday, May 7th 2022. During this week, communities recognize and celebrate youth and their positive contributions to the community. Whether it is recreation, drama, sport, dance, civic engagement, art, volunteerism or leadership, everyday, young people are involved in meaningful activities. National Youth Week is a time to honour their involvement!

Our team is proud to be offering a variety of youth opportunities in celebration of this week. Here is a list of free activities being offered for youth aged 13 - 19, to celebrate National Youth Week:

Date	Location	Activity	Description
May 1 st	Allandale Recreation Centre	Sensory Swim	This swim welcomes youth requiring a specialized environments to engage in swimming.
May 2 nd – May 6 th	Allandale Recreation Centre	Lunch Time Chat	During lunchtime, the Youth will be provided an opportunity to have a voice and provide input on how to help strengthen our services to youth. Youth will enjoy complimentary Hot Chocolate on May 4 th .
May 2 nd – May 8 th	Meridian Place and Five Points Theatre presented by Pratt Homes & Pratt Developments	Shine Green	Both Meridian Place and the Five Points Theatre will participate in the Shine Green campaign in recognition of the importacnce of Children's Mental Health Week by projecting green lighting for the week.
May 3 rd	The Sandbox Centre	Youth Bosses	Youth are invited to participate in a special event where they will be able to work with our Small Business Centre experts to collaborate on creating a company to form a business plan. Youth will also learn about the Summer Company Program, available resources, funding and supports to Youth Entrepreneurs in Barrie.



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Date Location Activity Description May 5th Peggy Hill Team Creators This program will provide an opportunity for **Community Centre** College youth to engage in a series of workshops specialized in celebrating Youth Content Creators. This series will include: Tik Tok Dance Workshop, Social Media Safety Workshop, Content Creation Workshop. Youth Take May 6th Peggy Hill Team Youth will be taking over the Peggy Hill Community Centre **Over Night** Team Community Centre. This event will feature various activities specific to youth, such as esports tournament, youth fitness boot camp, free throw contest, Nerf Battle and a youth swim. May 6th Allandale Recreation Youth Skate Youth are invited to participate in a youth skate at Allandale Recreation Centre. Centre May 6th Lampman Lane Friday Night Youth are invited to participate in a specialty Community Centre Youth Drop themed youth night full of fun. Recreation and May 7th Meridan Place **Barrie Wellnes** Culture staff will be Fair providing youth and family friendly activities during the Barrie Wellness Fair.

Further details for National Youth Week can be found on barrie.ca.

We look forward to you joining us to celebrate National Youth Week!