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Hello,

I wanted to send a quick message out regarding the age limit that will supposedly be implemented this fall at the community center.

I personally feel as though 11 is extreme. Considering the current age is 6, which no one actually knew (staff) the last meeting I attended. I understand the risk for safety and "not wanting to babysit everyone's kids" but it's a community center. We don't have a lot of indoor options for kids in this community and I feel strongly we need to hold onto what we do have and make it more available not less.

Personally, since my kids are little, I go with them to the gym/pool. But in the future once they are stronger swimmers, and able to be completely independent/trustworthy I want them to be able to ride their bikes alone to the pool and go swimming. I did that as a kid and that's a big part of why I live here. The freedom as a young kid to go do these things independently is huge.

I understand an age limit, but I think it should be 7 or 8...not 11/6th grader.

Thank you,

Helen Boggs