



Y Buckeye Bulletin

A Newsletter for the Ohio Alliance of YMCAs

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LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE RECAP

2024 Leadership Conference by the Numbers

This year's leadership conference was the biggest ever!

Attendees included:
354 YMCA Leaders + 27 Vendors = 381 total participants!



Day 1 Keynote speaker Timothy (TA) Alexander shares his message of hope and inspiration.

Day 2 Keynote speaker Aaron Baumgartner speaking on the science behind nurturing and relationship building.



LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE AWARD WINNERS

CEO of the Year



Steve Clever
CEO

YMCA of Ross County

His leadership incorporates the past, stewards over the present, and always looks to the future. He has been a driving force to build and strengthen our community.

Branch Executive of the Year

Terri Aversch
VP of Operations
Lima YMCA

Terri has served her Y and hometown community for over 42 years. She has managed every department and has provided support to two other organizations as they've worked through mergers with Lima.



Volunteer of the Year



Andrea Kaercher
Board Chair

YMCA Camp Kern – YMCA of Greater Dayton

Her leadership has been a beacon of hope for the camp through its leadership transition. She shows all the core values to individuals as they need it. She's a true leader.

LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE AWARD WINNERS

Outstanding Leader – Healthy Living



Sara Faiella

Director of Health and Wellness
Paul & Carol David YMCA – YMCA of
Central Stark County

A 20-year Y leader who has grown in her leadership, from group exercise instructor to Director of Health and Wellness.

Outstanding Leader – Youth Development

Jessica Calvelage
Childcare Director

The Buckeye Valley YMCA

A tremendous Y Leader whose passion and energy can positively transform any room she walks into. In the past year, she's launched new before/after school site, renovated and launched a new preschool and summer day camp, in addition to the sites she already operates.



Outstanding Leader – Social Responsibility



Ebony Brock

Branch Executive Director

Booker T. Washington Community
Center – Great Miami Valley YMCA

Her unwavering dedication and exceptional service have been evident throughout her tenure. She's devoted countless hours to grant writing, securing additional opportunities for our youth. In addition, she is a gifted speaker and experienced trainer.

LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE AWARD WINNERS AND GRADUATES

Outstanding Leader – Member Support Services



Nicole Black
Operations Director
Putnam County YMCA

The real work of the Y gets done in the dark, seedy underbelly of our YMCA. That's where she thrives. I cannot fully explain what she means to me and what she means to the staff and members. Thank you for giving your time to us and for your spirit of excellence and generosity.

Rookie of the Year

Shantel Bradley
HR/Risk Director
YMCA of Central Stark County
Since coming to the Y, she has completely taken our HR department to a new level, including leading our DEI initiative, forming CORE leadership groups, and addressing our culture.



Leadership Academy Cohort 3 Graduates





See you next year!



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Ohio Alliance of YMCAs 2024 Meeting Dates

Neighborhood CEO Meetings				
	January (Virtual)	April (In Person)	August (Virtual)	December (In Person)
Northeast	1/9 10-11 am	4/9 10 am – 12 pm	8/6 10-11 am Zoom Link	12/10 10 am-12 pm
Northwest	1/9 11:30-12:30 pm	4/10 10 am – 12 pm	8/6 11:30-12:30 pm Zoom Link	12/11 10 am- 12 pm
South/Central	1/10 11:00 – 12:00 pm	4/11 10 am – 12 pm	8/7 11:00 – 12:00 pm Zoom Link	12/12 10:00-12:00

Statewide CEO Meetings	
Statewide CEO/CVO Meeting	February 7 10 am – 12 pm
Statewide CEO Meeting	June 14 (location TBD) 10 am – 2 pm
Statewide CEO Conference	September 26-27 Nationwide Event Center, Lewis Center, OH

Ohio YMCAs Events/Opportunities	
Ohio YMCAs Leadership Conference	March 20-21 Columbus, OH
Leadership Academy Cohort 4	Launches August 2024
Ohio YMCAs Child Care Summit	Fall 2024 (date TBD) Columbus, OH

National Meetings	
National Advocacy Days	February 12-14 Washington, DC
NAYDO	April 3-6 Denver, CO
Mid-Major Ys CEO/CVO Meeting	September 10-13 Alabama
EMLE	October 2-4 South Hampton Roads, VA
YNAN Ys CEO/CVO Meeting	October 8-11 Tampa, FL

**Statewide Peer Community Virtual Meetings
(Click Meeting Title for Zoom Link)**

	May	November
<u>Aquatic/Swim Team</u>	5/7 10-11 am	11/12 10-11 am
<u>Resident Camp</u>	5/7 11 am – 12 pm	11/12 11 am - 12 pm
<u>Membership</u>	5/7 1-2 pm	11/12 1-2 pm
<u>DEI</u>	5/7 2-3 pm	11/12 2-3 pm
<u>Health/Wellness</u>	5/7 3-4 pm	11/12 3-4 pm
<u>COOs</u>	5/8 10-11 am	11/13 10-11 am
<u>Property/Facility</u>	5/8 11 am- 12 pm	11/13 11 am – 12 pm
<u>HR</u>	5/8 1-2 pm	11/13 1-2 pm
<u>Youth Sports</u>	5/8 2-3 pm	11/13 2-3 pm
<u>Branch Executives</u>	5/8 3-4 pm	11/13 3-4 pm
<u>CVOs</u>	6/13 11 am – 12 pm	11/7 11 am – 12 pm

Child Care	
All at 1 pm (Click Here for Zoom Link)	
January 17	August 21
February 21	September 18
April 17	October 16
May 15	November 20
June 19	December 18
July 17	

Financial Development
All at 2 pm (Click Here for Zoom Link)
February 21
April 17
June 19
August 21
October 16
December 18