In a meeting this week with the leaders of YQCA, they announced their effort in light of the recent COVID-19 pandemic with a YQCA Web Based Certification 25% Flash Sale. The sale will only be offered during the months of April & May (April 1 – May 31, 2020), making the YQCA Web Based certification $9.00.

I have had requests from our North Dakota YQCA Instructor Led Trainers (ILT) to host virtual YQCA certification. We have been asked to NOT conduct ILT via any conference call platform (i.e. zoom, skype, WebEx, etc.). The YQCA board is concerned with the possible integrity of the program content being taught virtually. As a result, they have done their best to work with their partners to gain a 25% discount for the YQCA Web Based certifications.

**YQCA 25% off coupon:**

A YQCA Coupon Order Form is on the ND 4-H YQCA Website. Please direct families to the website to utilize the YQCA Flash Sale Coupon form. Anyone may also request an order form by emailing sales@yqca.org. However, it will be faster if they obtain the form from the ND 4-H website listed above. Youth MUST use the form to receive their 25% discount for the YQCA Certification. Youth/families must email an electronic copy of the YQCA Coupon Order Form, as well as a copy of a check, to sales@yqca.org PRIOR to placing it in the mail to Dinah Peebles, YQCA treasurer (complete address is listed on the coupon order form).

Once the order form and proof of payment is received, coupons will be issued and returned to the purchaser within **3-5 business days**. Coupons MUST be put towards a web-based training in the month of April.

Youth who have already paid for a YQCA instructor-led training (on a date that has not yet passed), may log into their account and cancel their registration.

- If payment was received via credit card, their payment will be refunded.
- If payment was received via coupon code, that coupon code will be active again. This coupon code does not expire and would be able to be used in future years.
- To cancel a registered training
  - Go to https://yqca.learngrow.io and login to the account.
  - Select the course - you will have an option to “Cancel Registration”. This will cancel the training and refund the payment/re-activate the coupon code.

**YQCA Web Based Training:**

Each session purchased includes three modules – a knowledge builder, a skills lab, and a quiz.

- The knowledge builder is where content is delivered.
- The skills lab provides an opportunity to apply the content.
- The quiz tests knowledge. To receive a certification, an 80% must be achieved on the 10-question quiz.
- These modules, completed in their entirety, will provide 2-3 hours of an experience for users.

**Features of the online modules include:**

- Characters at each age level to guide youth through the course (it is not a voice over for slides).
- Free navigation within the course so youth can spend as much or as little time on a particular topic based upon their personal needs.
- Variety of learning opportunities to accommodate various learning styles and modalities.
- Audio button on each slide so youth can listen to audio rather than read the on-screen text.
- Users may revisit modules anytime during their year of certification to repeat the modules purchased for additional learning opportunities.
How the $9.00 YQCA fee is generated:

- $5.00 = technical/user support, email and phone support, based in U.S.
- $3.00 = online system hosting, maintenance, ongoing development, security and privacy assurance (was $2.00)
- $0.64 = stays with YQCA to invest in ongoing curriculum development and revision, program management, and promotion (was $1.00)
- $0.36 = credit card fees

**Youth for the Quality Care of Animals Flash Sale Update**

YQCA now has the option to purchase the flash sale coupons for $9.00 with a credit card versus mailing in the order form and a check.

Visit: https://myyqca-org.square.site/

1. Select “Purchase Coupon for Online Education Flash Sale”
2. Select the YQCA logo
3. Chose the quantity you wish to order
Select “Buy Now”

There is a transaction fee of .57 cents for using your credit card. Essentially, a family can mail in the order form with a check and pay .55 cents for the stamp and envelop or pay online with a credit card using a transaction fee.

Original YQCA flash sale information is located on our COVID landing page: https://www.ndsu.edu/fileadmin/4h/COVID-19/COVID19_response_-YQCA.pdf.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Know that I appreciate your hard work and your strength as we continue to adapt to this season.

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