

## Princeton YWCA and YMCA to offer class reciprocity to members

*January 2008* - The YWCA Princeton and the Princeton Family YMCA announced today that they will open enrollment of their classes to each other's members.

Beginning March 1, members of each organization will be able to take classes twice a calendar year from the other organization without paying a separate membership fee.

"Both our members and those of the YM have asked for this privilege for a long time," noted YWCA CEO Judy Hutton. "We think this reciprocity will encourage more memberships on both sides."

"Though we are separate organizations with distinctly different missions," added Katy Bech, director of operations for the YMCA, "we are partners, each committed to offering a wealth of services to the greater Princeton community. We'd both like to thrive and broaden our reach as far as possible."

Class reciprocity is just the first step in what will prove to be a much greater degree of cooperation between the two organizations. Their Joint Strategic Planning Committee, comprising board and staff members from both organizations, is actively working on a long-term plan to work together more efficiently and synergistically. The Committee will examine program offerings which complement and support the effort to deliver both missions and enrich our community.

For more information about YWCA programs, please call 609-497-2100 or visit [www.ywcaprinceton.org](http://www.ywcaprinceton.org); for YMCA programs, 609-497-9622 or [www.ymcaprinceton.org](http://www.ymcaprinceton.org).



**Members of the YM-YWCA Joint Strategic Planning Committee, left to right, standing: YMCA director of operations Katy Bech of Pennington, YMCA board member Scott Steinhauer of Princeton, joint trustee Bill King of Skillman, YMCA board chair David Sandahl of Pennington, and YWCA CEO Judy Hutton of Bordentown. Seated, left to right, are YWCA board president Jill Jachera of Princeton, and board members Amy Rabner and Lorine Murray-Mechini, both of Skillman.**