

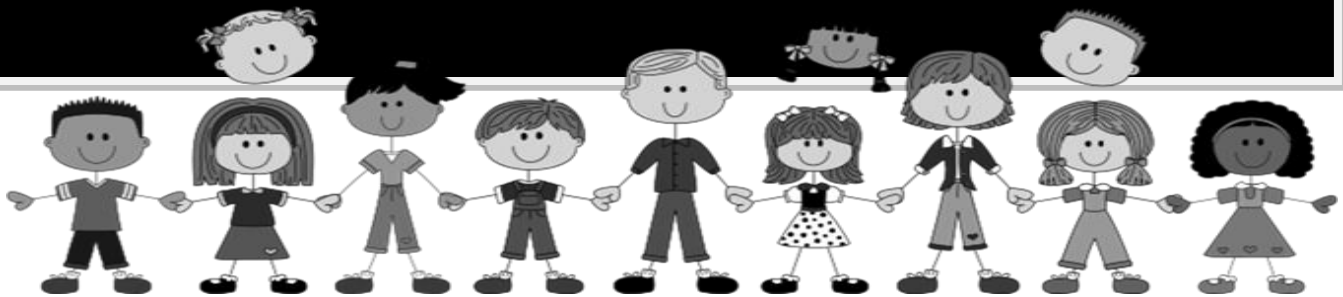
Community Education
Shelby County Schools

After School Care
PARENT INFORMATION GUIDE

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ABOUT US

We operate After School Care Programs in 15 Elementary and Intermediate Schools. We are open Monday-Friday from 3:00pm until 6:00pm. Our goal is to provide a safe, fun and caring environment to foster physical, emotional and social growth in each child.

The After School Care Program reserves the right to cap any site that has reached capacity as well as enforce a registration deadline for the safety of our students.

Following are a list of dates that After School Care will not be open:

September 3rd – Labor Day

October 5th – Teacher Workday/Professional Development

October 8th – Data Assessment/Instructional Planning

November 12th – Veterans Day

November 19th-23rd – Thanksgiving Break

December 14th – Early Dismissal

December 17th –January 1st – Christmas Holidays

January 2nd – Teacher Workday

January 21st – M.L. King, Jr. Birthday

February 15th – Data Assessment/Instructional Planning

February 18th – Presidents Day

March 8th – Teacher Workday

March 25th – 29th – Spring Break

May 23rd – Early Dismissal, Last Day of School

ADMINISTRATIVE CONTACT LIST

Geri Antonio, Field Manager	682-5963
Sandy Boykin, Secretary	682-5958
Kay Dummier, Adult Enrichment Manager	682-5843
Janet Gulledge, Enrichment Manager	682-5941
Tammye Lantrip, RN, Nurse Manager	682-5966
Bobbie McCullers, Bookkeeper	682-5967
Robin Neal, Pre-K Program Manager	682-5939
Rhonda Schaefer, Program Manager	682-5959
Deborah Triplett, Bookkeeper	682-5968
Cindy Warner, Supervisor	682-7084

AFTER SCHOOL CARE SITES and NUMBERS

Calera Elementary.....	682-6129
Calera Intermediate.....	682-6509
Chelsea Park Elementary.....	682-6709
Elvin Hill Elementary.....	682-6629
Forest Oaks Elementary.....	682-7229
Helena Elementary.....	682-5549
Helena Intermediate.....	682-5529
Inverness Elementary.....	682-5249
Montevallo Elementary.....	682-6429
Mt. Laurel Elementary.....	682-7239
Oak Mt. Elementary.....	682-5239
Oak Mt. Intermediate.....	682-5229
Shelby Elementary.....	682-6639
Vincent Elementary.....	682-7329
Wilsonville Elementary.....	682-6649

DAILY SCHEDULE

The following is an example of our After School Care Daily Schedule. Times are subject to change based on the needs of each individual site.

3:00-3:30	Put things away/Snack/Clean-up/Bathroom
3:30-4:30	Homework Time/Playground/Bathroom
4:30-4:35	Divide into groups
4:35-5:00	Session 1 Activities (arts and crafts, games, gym, etc...)
5:00-5:05	Regroup
5:05-5:30	Session 2 Activities (arts and crafts, games, gym, etc...)
5:30-6:00	Bathroom/Clean-up/End of the Day Activities

DRESS CODE

We ask that the children dress appropriately. Wear comfortable clothes, closed toe shoes and socks. For more specific guidelines, refer to the Shelby County Schools Code of Conduct.

PERSONAL BELONGINGS

The After School Care Program is not responsible for personal belongings that are lost, damaged or stolen. We reserve the right to remove items from children that are deemed unacceptable. Retrieved items will be returned to parents. All personal belongings should be clearly labeled with the child's name. Please do not allow your child to bring important, expensive, or dangerous items. Please, no toys, games, trading cards, electronic devices, etc...unless approved in advance by the In-Charge Teacher.

SAFETY

Your child's safety is of utmost importance. We have a low 15 to 1 student/counselor ratio, (Pre-K ratio is 10 to 1) which allows for on-going supervision. The staff routinely practices fire, tornado and intruder drills. Our policy also requires the staff to ID anyone who is taking a child from our care.

INCLEMENT WEATHER/EARLY DISMISSAL

The After School Care Program follows the guidelines set by the Shelby County Board of Education for all Inclement Weather/Early Dismissal. If Shelby County Schools dismiss early, After School Care will not be open. Please make sure that we have current local telephone numbers to reach you via Blackboard Connect Rapid Notification System. Listen to local radio and television stations for weather conditions and closings, as it is not always possible to contact all parents. In the event of any emergency closing, you will need to make arrangements for your child to be picked up promptly.

PAYMENT INFORMATION

The After School Care Program offers Full Time and Drop In status for the school year. Changing from full time to drop in or vice versa may be changed with the Community Education Bookkeeper, only one time per semester. This must be given in writing by the 20th of the month prior to the change. Full time monthly fees are divided into 10 equal payments (Aug - May) for your convenience.

- Unpaid balances after the 5th will result in a \$15.00 late fee and suspension. The child may not attend ASC until balance is paid
- Unpaid balances after the 10th will result in dismissal from ASC for 1 year
- \$30.00 Rejected transaction fee
- Sites cannot accept any form of payment
- Community Education does not prorate

See Fee Schedule on website for payment amounts.

BEHAVIOR MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES

The After School Care Program adheres to the Shelby County School's Code of Conduct. In order to create a positive and safe environment for all, children are expected to follow the After School Care rules. Be sure to obtain a copy from your After School Care Site. It is imperative that parents and staff work together. To accomplish this, all concerns must be brought to the attention of the In-Charge Teacher.

Rule infractions will be dealt with in the following manner:

- Time-out
- Loss of privileges
- Verbal communication with parent

For significant or repeated minor offenses, written Infraction Notices will be issued to the student.

Serious offenses will result in:

- Disciplinary Notice #1
- Disciplinary Notice #2, with possible suspension and/or Parent Conference.
- Disciplinary Notice #3, with dismissal from the program for one year. Parent may appeal this within one week of notice.

Other grounds for dismissal may include:

- Habitual tardiness in picking up children.
- Verbally abusive language by parents toward staff or children.
- Unpaid balances.
- Parents approaching or disciplining any counselor or child in our care.

Please note: If your child is dismissed due to behavior issues, payment will not be refunded.

ILLNESS AND MEDICATION

Illness: For the health and well-being of our children and staff, please do not send your child to After School Care if she/he is sick. Your child must be fever-free for 24 hours without the aid of a fever reducer before returning to our program. If your child becomes ill while in our care, please make arrangements for your child to be picked up within the hour of notification.

Medication: Our medication procedures were developed with your child's safety in mind and are in compliance with guidelines established by the Shelby County Board of Education, Alabama State Department of Education and the Alabama Board of Nursing. Contact the Nurse Program Manager at 682-5966 if your student requires medication, on-site nursing services, or to discuss any health concerns relevant to your child.

SIGN IN/OUT INFORMATION

The After School Care Program requires each child to be checked out by an authorized adult (pin required) before a child leaves the building. If the pick-up person is not familiar to the staff, he/she will be asked to show proper identification.

LATE PICK-UP

There is a late pick-up fee (\$1 per min) for any child picked up after 6:00 pm. If we do not receive communication from a late parent, the local law enforcement agency will be called after 30 minutes to arrange for the child's supervision. Notification by parent of being late does not negate payment of the late pick-up fee with the exception of circumstances outside of your control. Habitual tardiness in picking up children will result in their dismissal.