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## **Before and After School Childcare 2025-2026 General Information Traditional Calendar**

Franklin County Schools, Before and After School Child Care, offers affordable, safe, and convenient care for students in grades K-5 in select Elementary Schools. This service is not available for students in Pre-K.

### **Fees and Registration**

Franklin County Schools Before and After School Child Care Program is a non-profit, self-supporting service. The School Principal, Treasurer, or Coordinator can provide detailed information about the program at your child's school.

Students may register for Before Care, After Care, or both. Enrollment priority will be given to kindergarten students, and existing enrolled students, and then first come first serve. Minimum and maximum enrollment numbers will be managed by the site. Depending on enrollment, Before Care may not be available at all sites. Full-time enrollment is required, part-time enrollment is not allowed. Registration prior to the beginning of the school year is strongly encouraged. However, registration is accepted throughout the school year based on space availability. Once enrolled, the Site Coordinator and School Treasurer should be contacted in writing if your child will no longer attend the program. At this time the parent will be provided an invoice of any outstanding balances. Those balances will need to be paid immediately. Any unpaid fees may become part of the student's permanent record.

Monthly fees are due by the 15th of the month. If fees are not paid by the 15th of the month a late fee of \$25 will be assessed. If fees go unpaid for the entire month, the student cannot return to the program until all fees are paid in full.

The Before and After Care Program at each site will remain in operation based on the sustainability which will be determined by Franklin County Schools. Typically, the Program will operate only on student days. The Program may be open on required teacher workdays depending on projected attendance by location. The daily fee for teacher workdays is \$16 and the parent/guardian would be responsible for all meals, snacks, and beverages for their child.



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### Daily Schedule

Before School.....6:00 a.m. until school begins

After School.....School dismissal until 6:30 p.m.

Depending on participation, the opening and closing times may vary by location.

### Delayed Openings/Early Dismissals/School Cancellations

Make sure you sign up for text messages and emails when we have inclement weather delays. You can also check the district website or your school website for updates, as well as our Franklin County Schools Facebook page. To participate in the text messaging service, you must indicate your willingness to receive text messages on your phone, even if you received text messages this year. You must do this whether you have a child in the school system or belong to a community organization that wants to keep up-to-date with our alerts.

Please remember to complete the annual student update to ensure the school system has accurate information on file. Please check with the school's data manager for more information.

Franklin County School cancellations, early dismissals, and delayed openings will be announced on the following media:

- Television: WRAL Channel 5
- District Social Media Platforms
- District Mass Com Messaging

~~When school is canceled for a full day due to inclement weather, etc., the Before & After School Child Care Program will be closed. You do not receive a refund for this day.

~~When a school day is delayed due to inclement weather, etc., the Before School Child Care Program will not operate that morning. You will not receive a refund for this time.

~~When school is released early due to inclement weather, etc., the After School Child Care Program will be closed. You will not receive a refund for this time. You should pick up your child/children from school at the time of dismissal.



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~~When school is released early due to any other emergency that prevents the school from operating, such as water or sewer problems, the Before & After School Child Care Program will be closed. You will be notified to pick up your child as soon as possible. You will not receive a refund for this time.

~~When school is released early for faculty and staff development, (this includes the monthly early release days,) the After School Child Care Program will be open from the time of dismissal until 6:30 p.m. You are not charged for the additional hours.

~~When school is scheduled as a late arrival for students on election day the Before School Child Care Program will be open from 6:00 a.m. until school begins. You are not charged for the additional hours

### **Discipline and Behavior Management Policy**

Praise and positive reinforcement are effective methods of behavior management for children. When children receive positive, non-violent, and understanding interactions from adults and others, they develop good self-concepts, problem-solving abilities, and self-discipline. Based on this belief of how children learn and develop values, this facility will practice the following discipline and behavior management policy:

If a child has three Discipline Reports he/she will be suspended from the Before & After Child Care Program for three days; after two or more discipline reports the child will be Suspended from our program for five days. If discipline continues to be a problem, your child could be removed from the program permanently. If a child threatens another child, or says they are going to harm themselves or someone else, the child will be suspended immediately and the Principal will be notified.



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### **Handling Emergency Care/Meds in Before/After Care**

Due to the times that before/after care is offered to families, nurses or trained first responders are not available to provide care. **Medication administration or other healthcare procedures cannot be provided in the before/after care program.** Franklin County Schools will make every effort to ensure that the before and after care staff are trained in CPR.

The use of automatic external defibrillators and the administration of school-supplied epinephrine in the event of anaphylaxis. This is the extent of emergency care that can be provided and staff will be instructed to notify parents and call 911 for all emergencies.



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### FRANKLIN COUNTY SCHOOLS BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CHILD CARE Student Registration and Enrollment for 2024 – 2025

*\*Please contact your School Treasurer for a link to the online application*

#### **DISCIPLINE AND BEHAVIOR MANAGEMENT POLICY**

Each child enrolled in Franklin County Schools receives a handbook called the “Student Code of Conduct”. This handbook contains information on the expectations for behavior for all students of Franklin County Schools. These rules and sanctions have been adopted by the Franklin County Board of Education and represent its official policy. If you or your child did not receive this handbook, please see the Principal’s office at your school to get your copy. Each Before and After Care site Staff will be responsible for the minor behavior situations and any others should be reported to the School Administration immediately.

#### **PLAYING ON THE PLAYGROUND AND IN THE GYM**

My child has my permission to play on all playground equipment, (fenced in or not) and in the gym during the Before and After School Child Care Program.

#### **HOLIDAY CELEBRATIONS**

My child has my permission to participate in Holiday celebrations and other events that may take place during the Before & After School Child Care Program.



### **Franklin County Schools Before and After School Child Care Parent Contract 2024-2025**

1. Children must be picked up by the scheduled closing time unless there is an emergency that necessitates other arrangements. Parents of children picked up after scheduled closing will be assessed an additional charge. (\$3.00 first minute late and \$1.00 for each additional minute)
2. The billing procedure is as follows:
  - a. Any new child attending the program must pay a \$25.00 registration fee. If you have a child/children already in the program, your registration fee will be waived.
    - i. No child will be registered who has an outstanding balance from a previous year.
    - ii. All monthly invoices must be paid prior to your child attending the following month.
    - iii. Full Payment is due whether or not your child is present each school day. There will be no proration of fees. The only exceptions are late enrollments or early withdrawal.
  - b. The current fee schedule approved by the Board of Education is attached. The monthly fees are based on the number of student days per month. There is no discount for multiple children enrolled in the program. Please see your site coordinator for additional questions regarding fees
  - c. Invoices will be available online and/or when requested.
3. Online payments are strongly encouraged. However, if paying by check please be sure your phone number is on your check.
4. Parents must come inside the building in the mornings to sign their child/children in and in the afternoons to sign their child/children out. There is a “sign-in” and “sign-out” sheet for you to use.
5. Discipline problems will be handled by the Before and After Care Staff in consultation with the School Administration. In accordance with the Student Code of Conduct currently enforced by Franklin County Schools.
  - a. Parents should first consult with the Before and After Care Staff.



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- b. If further contact is required, the situation should be discussed with the school Administration
  - c. Unresolved situations may be heard by the District Administration if deemed necessary by the above-mentioned parties.
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- 6. Parents are asked to review the current early release policy so they will be familiar with the procedure. If school opening is **delayed** there will be **no Before School Care**. If school is **closed** due to inclement weather, there will be **no Before and/or After School Program** that day. If school is **released early** due to inclement weather, there will be **no After-School Care**. After School Care will be open on early release days in the student calendar. Before School Care will be open on late arrival election day.
  - 7. Registration forms, emergency information, and signed contracts are required for all students.
  - 8. If your child changes status (withdrawal or other changes) at any time during the school year, you must notify the Site Coordinator in advance of the change. If you fail to make the notification, you will be responsible for the fees for up to 30 days.
  - 9. The dress code for the program is the same as the rules set forth by the Franklin County Board of Education.

I do hereby state that I have received the registration form, parent contract, and a summary of the North Carolina Child Care Law and Rules.

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### TRADITIONAL CALENDAR: 2025-2026 FEE SCHEDULE

Month	Before Care \$8.33 per day	After Care \$11.11 per day	Both Before & After \$19.44 per day
August and September (25 days)	\$208.25	\$277.75	\$486.00
October (22 days)	\$183.26	\$244.42	\$427.68
November (16 days)	\$133.28	\$177.76	\$311.04
December (15 days)	\$124.95	\$166.65	\$291.60
January (18 days)	\$149.94	\$199.98	\$349.92
February (19 days)	\$158.27	\$211.09	\$369.36
March (21 days)	\$174.93	\$233.31	\$408.24
April (16 days)	\$133.28	\$177.76	\$311.04
May & June (27 days)	\$224.91	\$299.97	\$524.88