EUGENE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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Student Care

HANDBOOK

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Student Care Purpose

The purpose of ECS Student Care is to offer a healthy, caring environment and easy transition for ECS students who need a place to be after school and on selected no school days (Day Camps), and to aid families in the busyness of their daily lives.

Our staff has the vision of building up these young people to be steadfast followers of Jesus. We have a “skeleton” structure to our time together. We try not to interrupt students who are engaged in **constructive** activity although sometimes it cannot be avoided. With this loose structure, students are put in situations of individual decision making and self-direction. **Staff is nearby** to help students journey through these tasks.

Because of the looser structure you may get more reports of conflicts etc. than you do during the school day. Please regard these as the growing pains of a child and **not** that your child is a problem. The purpose of the looser structure is to help students become self-managers. We follow the same behavior expectations as the regular school day. We use the Kelso Wheel for conflict resolution. Behavior during the school day and StudentCare are interrelated. We seek to have clear communication with parents for the benefit of the student.

We are a “Recorded Program” with the State of Oregon. A school-age recorded program provides youth development activities, as defined in ORS 329A.250(14), to school-age children during hours that school is not in session and which does not take the place of a parent’s care.

EUGENE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL STUDENT CARE
STUDENT GUIDELINES

Be Safe

- Be gentle with yourself and others.
- Keep feet on the floor inside, not on benches, tables or chairs.
- Use the playground equipment safely.
- Do not throw rocks, sand, or bark chips, or run with sticks.
- Always be in sight of a teacher.
- Always ask permission to leave any area. Do not open outside doors without permission.

Be Responsible

- Upon arrival put anything you bring in your designated space in the cafetorium.
- If you get something out, put it away when done.
- Do not write, draw, paint or color on anything except what a teacher may give you.
- If you wonder if you should do something, ask a teacher first.
- When a teacher blows a whistle STOP (freeze), LOOK (at teacher), LISTEN & DO what the teacher requests.
- Play with games, toys and supplies as intended.
- In the Cafetorium stay off the steps and stage. Stay out of the sound booth and do not go behind curtains or into storage areas.

Be Respectful

- Be kind with words you say. Only use words you would like others to say to you. Ask a teacher if you do not know what words to say.
- Care about others and forgive them if they affect you in some way.
- If you make a mistake that hurts someone's feelings, body or possessions, apologize to that person and try not to make that mistake again.
- Do not say hurtful things about others to your friends. If you need to tell someone, tell a teacher or your parents.
- If a teacher asks you to do something - say OKAY and do it right away.
- Share your space & take turns = Share & Care!

After School Care

- After School Care is available to all ECS Students K-8th Grade on school days.
- The program runs from school dismissal time until 5:30.
- The cost is $8 per hour, per student, rounded to the nearest quarter hour.
- **Students must be registered on the PikMyKid App** with a delegation to After School - AfterCare. Preregistration 24-hours or more in advance is appreciated.
- Hours of attendance are tracked through PikMyKid. Billing will be invoiced through your FACTS Family Portal. **For billing questions**, please contact bookkeeper@eugenechristianschool.com.
- K - 8th Aftercare is held in the cafetorium, gym, and on the K - 8th playground.
- Pick-up for Aftercare is on the east side of the school (Shadowview Drive). There is a small parking lot there. Students will exit through the black door up on the patio. Please connect with the staff by a wave or a hello etc.
- Anyone picking up your student will need to use the PikMyKid app. For assistance with this, please contact the front office.
- If your student is sent to After Care he/she may not be released until at least 3:15. 3:00 - 3:15 is a very busy time getting up to 60 students checked-in and accounted for. Our priority is the safety of all students.

Typical After School Afternoon

2:50-3:15 Student check-in. We have a 30 minute recess, outside if the weather is nice or in the gym. After a day in a structured classroom students often need a lighter structure.

After recess snacks are served. We will have pre-packaged snacks and water available. Students may bring their own snack, if preferred.

After snack, the kids have an option to go back outside or we have free choice time inside, which includes games, arts and crafts, legos, blocks, and a quiet reading area.

No School Day Camps

- ECS Student Care will offer Day Camps from 8:15-5:15 on select No-School days (see list below)
- The cost is $8 per hour, per student, rounded to the nearest quarter hour. There is a two-hour minimum charge per day.
- **Students must be registered on the PikMyKid App** with a delegation to After School - No School Day Camp. Preregistration 72-hours or more in advance is appreciated. Late registrations may or may not be accepted, depending on staffing.
- Hours of attendance are tracked through PikMyKid. Billing will be invoiced through your FACTS Family Portal. For billing questions, please contact bookkeeper@eugenechristianschool.com.
- Day Camp is held in the Cafetorium, gym, and on the K-8th playground.
- Drop off and Pick-up for Day Camp is on the **East side** of the school (Shadowview Drive). There is a small parking lot there. Students will enter and exit through the black door up on the patio. Please ring the doorbell on the black gate when you arrive to drop off and wait for a staff member to retrieve your student(s). When you arrive for pickup, simply click Announce on the Pikmykid app and your student(s) will be brought out.
- Anyone picking up your student from Day Camp will need to use the PikMyKid app. For assistance with this, please contact the front office.

2026-27 Day Camp dates:

October 9
October 29
October 30
November 20
December 11
December 18
February 12
March 5
March 19
April 2
April 15
April 16
May 28
June 17 (after early release)

ECS will also offer Summer Camps, the dates for which will be announced by April 1st each year.

Typical Camp Day

Typical Day Camp Schedule

8:15 am Doors Open, Free Choice time: crafts, cartoons

9:30 am Outdoor Time

10:00 am Morning Snack (student brings)

10:30 am Craft

11:15 am Bible Time-video (RightNow Media): discussion and activity

12:15 pm Lunch (student brings)

12:40 pm We will have a few computers for kids to work on iReady. We will also have some grade level worksheets. Teachers will also be available to help with homework.

1:00 pm Outdoor Time

2:15 pm Various activities: activity challenges, outside play, scavenger hunts, drama etc.

4:00 pm Free Choice time: inside or gym, occasionally a video

5:15 pm Closing, all students must be picked up