# RBCS Early & After Care FAQs - 2025-2026 School Year

# What ages are eligible to attend?

Care is offered for all RBCS age groups, infants through 5 years.

## What days and times are offered?

Care is offered Monday through Thursday. Early Care is provided 8:00-9:00. After care is 1:30-3:30. Children may register for one day/week or all 4 days/week. Children must already be enrolled to attend school that day. For instance, a child only attending MWF will not be permitted to sign up for Tuesdays and/or Thursdays.

Children may also be registered to attend starting at 2:35 when their enrichment class is over. In this case, an RBCS staff will pick up the child from their enrichment class and return them to RBCS care so that you can pick up at 3:30.

# Does early care and after care run the full school year?

The fall session of extended care will run September 8-December 11 (13 weeks). The spring session will run January 12-May 7 (16 weeks). Parents will need to enroll for the entire semester. These sessions will coincide with the sessions offered for enrichment classes.

View Schedule of Dates - ■ 25-26 Ext Day Schedule

## Why does the care not last the whole school year?

It takes time for children to settle into their classrooms. We want the children to feel more comfortable at school before adding an additional transition in their school day. It also gives staff a bit of a break at the beginning and end of each semester.

#### What if I am not able or do not want to commit for the entire session?

A child may join early and/or after care later in the session, if space allows, and tuition will be prorated.

#### Can I use early and after care on an as needed basis?

YES! We will allow drop-ins at a higher tuition price but only if space is available. Although we are flexible on adding children at the last minute to stay for extended care, parents must request early care a day in advance. We cannot take requests for early care the morning of.

### Can I change which day my child attends each week?

No. You will need to enroll your child so that they are consistently attending the same day(s) per week. You can, however, pay for an additional day when needed at the drop-in price, if space allows. If your child is absent, we are unable to provide make-up days or switching days.

### What is the cost of early and after care?

Tuition is in addition to your child's regularly monthly rate. Tuition prices listed per month will be included in Sept-Dec invoices for the Fall Session and Jan-Apr invoices for the Spring Session. This is because May tuition is prepaid.

If a child is enrolled in extended day on a consistent schedule for the school year, the School Year rate will be included on Sept-Apr invoices so that the monthly tuition will be the same throughout the school year.

Early Care 8:00-9:00	Mondays	Tues, Wed or Thurs	2 days/week	3 days/week	4 days/week
Fall per month	\$ 30	\$ 32.50	\$ 65 \$ 62.50 (Mon)	\$ 97.50 \$ 95 (Mon)	\$ 127.50
Spring per month	\$ 32.50	\$ 40	\$ 80 \$ 72.50 (Mon)	\$ 120 \$ 112.50 (Mon)	\$ 152.50
School Year per month	\$ 31.25	\$ 36.25	\$ 72.50 \$ 67.50 (Mon)	\$ 108.75 \$ 103.75 (Mon)	\$ 140
Drop-in Rates	\$ 17.50 per day		\$ 50 per week (Monday-Thursday, same week)		

After Care 1:30-3:30	Mondays	Tues, Wed or Thurs	2 days/week	3 days/week	4 days/week
Fall per month	\$ 60	\$ 65	\$ 130 \$ 125 (Mon)	\$ 195 \$ 190 (Mon)	\$ 255
Spring per month	\$ 65	\$ 80	\$ 160 \$ 145 (Mon)	\$ 240 \$ 225 (Mon)	\$ 305
School Year per month	\$ 62.50	\$ 72.50	\$ 145 \$ 135 (Mon)	\$ 217.50 \$ 207.50 (Mon)	\$280
Drop-in Rates	\$ 35 per day \$ 20 per day (after Enrichment)		\$ 100 per week (Monday-Thursday, same week)		

#### When will tuition be due?

If you register in advance of the session starting, the tuition will be included with your regular monthly invoices, which are sent on the first of each month and are due on the 5th.

If you register after the session has begun, your prorated tuition will be divided over the next invoices.

Drop-in fees will be added to your next monthly invoice.

There will be no refunds for missed class days, whether planned or unplanned, and missed days cannot be made up or switched to a different day.

# What if I need to withdraw my child from early or after care?

Please provide written notice to the school office. Tuition will be credited to your account for the rest of the session for future dates.

If you are withdrawing your child completely from RBCS, you will need to provide a written notice 30 days in advance as outlined in the school handbook. In this case, any refund given will be based on the required notice period.

### How will my child's placement be decided?

Children will be placed into classes based on age and rest time needs.

We cannot guarantee that your child will be assigned to their regular classroom teacher or aide or their usual classroom. Children from multiple classes will be combined into a new group for the early drop-off and after care time. Groups may be changed during the session as napping and resting needs for the children change.

### If my child attends early care, will they eat breakfast at school?

It is permitted to send your child with breakfast, and we will allow them to eat it when they arrive. Like with lunch, it should be a breakfast that does not require refrigeration or heating. Children must be dropped off already dressed and ready for the day.

#### What activities are offered?

Age-appropriate activities will be provided, which may include books, art, blocks, games, puzzles, music and movement, and outside play. After Care will include a rest time, unless your child attends Enrichment before.

# Will my child have to nap during rest time?

Children are not required to nap. However, licensing standards require that we provide a rest time for every child in our care for five or more consecutive hours. If a child does not nap, they may play quietly during rest time but do not need to sleep. Books and other quiet activities will be provided. Children who fall asleep will be permitted to nap as long as needed.

Children are typically divided into 3 groups:

- MDO (under 2 years) are held in 303 & 304 and use cribs for nap time.
- 2 year olds will rest on mats in a room conducive to sleep. However, if they do not fall asleep or awake before pick up time, they will be removed from the napping room so that they can play.
- 3-5 year olds will rest while quietly listening to stories. If they would like to lay down and/or nap daily or on an as needed basis, we will allow them to lay down in the 2 year old room since it is already set up for napping. If they do not fall asleep or awake before pick up time, they will be returned to the 3-5 year old group.

Children from enrichment are not required to rest because they are not in our care for 5 hours consecutively.

### Will I need to provide a mat or cot for rest time?

The school will provide your child with a nap mat (or crib if appropriate). Please pack your child a blanket in your child's backpack that they can put on their mat. We also recommend you bring any comfort items that your child may usually have during their naptime. Following safe sleep practices, children under 12 months cannot have any blankets, toys or loveys inside their cribs. This includes pacifiers with attached stuffed animals or pacifier clips.

Children in our 3-5 year old classes who are not expected to nap do not need to bring any items for nap time, unless the parent (or child) would like them to lay down. Children should bring a 2nd snack.

### Besides a blanket, is there anything else I need to provide?

Parents must pack a 2nd snack for the afternoon. Non-sleeping children will be offered their snack after the rest period is over. If a sleeping child awakes, they will be offered their snack.

# Are there any enrichment classes offered?

Yes. Enrichment classes are held until 2:35 for POTTY TRAINED 3-5 year olds. We currently contract with Sportball, Sticky Fingers Cooking, Kinderdance and Soccer Shots. If the minimum number of enrollees is not met, the companies have the right to cancel their programs at any time.

In addition, RBCS is now offering Enrichment classes including a play therapy group called the Cool Crew and Spanish.

## Can my child attend Sportball or another enrichment option and then move to after care?

Yes. Children attending enrichment classes may sign up for both options. At 2:35, an after care staff will pick up your child from their enrichment class and return them to RBCS care for 3:30 pick up. Because your child is not in our care for a consecutive 5 hours, they will not have a rest time.

You are also permitted to have your child attend an enrichment class one or more days/week and still be enrolled in after care for other days. If your child is in an enrichment class and would like to drop-in to after care, there is a daily drop-in rate and you should provide 24 hour notice so we can staff accordingly.

#### How does check in/out work?

If your child is attending After Care, you should check them out on brightwheel when you pick up.

If your child is attending an Enrichment Class, we use a written sign in/out sheet. Because your child is not in our direct care, we will check them out on brightwheel for you. Use the sign out sheet when you pick up.

If your child is attending an Enrichment Class, we will check out your child on brightwheel and then check them back in when they return to our care. In this case, you will check them out on brightwheel when you pick up at 3:30.

The tuition chart below only applies to children who are in enrichment class and then move to our after care. An RBCS staff will pick up your child from enrichment and take them to their appropriate after care classroom.

AC AFTER Enrichment	Mondays	Tues, Wed or Thurs	2 days/week	3 days/week	4 days/week
Total Fall Session	\$ 120	\$ 130	\$ 260 \$ 250 (Mon)	\$ 390 \$ 380 (Mon)	\$ 510
Fall per month	\$ 30	\$ 32.50	\$ 65 \$ 62.50 (Mon)	\$ 97.50 \$ 95 (Mon)	\$ 127.50
Total Spring Session	\$ 130	\$ 160	\$ 320 \$ 290 (Mon)	\$ 480 \$ 450 (Mon)	\$ 610
Spring per month	\$ 32.50	\$ 40	\$ 80 \$ 72.50 (Mon)	\$ 120 \$ 112.50 (Mon)	\$ 152.50
Drop-in Rate	\$ 20 per day				

Tuition for after care is an addition to your child's regularly monthly rate. If you enroll your child after the session begins, tuition will be prorated based on enrollment date.

How do I register my child for after care or after school enrichment?

More information can be found at <a href="www.rbcschool.com/extday">www.rbcschool.com/extday</a>. Links on this page will be updated as needed. Registration will take place closer to the start of the school year. Information will be provided via brightwheel messaging when registration begins.