



# Evergreen Park School District 124 2018-19 Extended Day Program

## General Information

The Extended Day Program is a service that provides before and after school care to students who attend Evergreen Park School District 124 schools. Open to students in kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade, the Extended Day Program (EDP) provides a safe, enriching environment with a warm and caring staff. Extended Day also offers a well-balanced daily schedule, which includes a nutritious snack, 30-45 minutes for homework/quiet reading, free play, and structured group activities.

Students must be registered in the program to be eligible to attend.



## Program Hours & Description

Our program provides plenty of time for play and social interaction while also encouraging learning.

Our before school program begins at 7:00am; students may be dropped off anytime between 7:00am and the start of the school day. During the before school session, students engage in quiet play or use the time to prepare for the upcoming school day. Breakfast is available at SW at an additional cost. (At NE, NW, SE, and CMS Schools, breakfast is provided by the Food Service department; students who qualify for free or reduced lunch may also qualify for free or reduced breakfast.)

The after school program begins at 3:05pm and ends promptly at 6:05pm. Students begin the afternoon with a snack. Then they are given the opportunity to participate in a wide variety of individual and group activities. On a typical afternoon, they may choose to go outside to play, work on arts and crafts projects, or join in a game in the gym. No later than 4:30pm, students are provided with 30-45 minutes of quiet time during which they are encouraged to complete homework, study, and read. After quiet time, students are once again given the chance to play and socialize with each other until they are picked up from the program.

This schedule and the activities offered may vary based on location and space availability at each building.



## Staff

A site supervisor directs the program at each school and works directly with the students who attend the program. The staff also includes other adults and young adults who assist the supervisor as needed. Staffing levels vary with attendance levels, so your advance scheduling helps us staff appropriately and provide a better program. Our staff/child ratio is well below the 1:20 ratio required by the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services for licensed child care providers.

The Extended Day staff is devoted to helping build good citizens in an atmosphere of friendship, fun, and games. Staff members use the positive behavioral interventions and supports (PBIS) in place at each school as guidelines to create a safe, happy environment for students during their extended day hours.

