



Minneapolis Kids
Minneapolis Community Education

WELCOME LETTER



Welcome to Field! We are very excited to see returning faces as well as welcome some new ones! Here at Minneapolis Kids we provide high quality school age care for families. We offer a safe, nurturing, educational and recreational experience where children are encouraged to pursue interests and develop friendships, independence and confidence.

STAFF

We have an amazing staff that enjoys working with youth. We bring an assortment of educational and cultural backgrounds that we are excited to share with our students.

A TYPICAL DAY

We offer an array of fun and educational options throughout the day! Kids have use of the Commons area to pursue their interests such as art, science, literature or to simply relax, homework help, daily Clubs, computer lab, gym and of course, outside time! You may see some construction as we are getting a new playground this year!

CLUBS

We are a very youth driven program, meaning students help us plan activities based on their interests. Kids suggest ideas and then staff create 8 weeks of enriching activities around those themes! Clubs are optional—students may participate in as many or as few as they'd like!

HOMEWORK

We allow students to be responsible by deciding when they would like to work on their homework, so long as they ensure it gets done. We offer quiet times during the day and staff is available to assist. Parents may request that his/her child works on homework for an allotted amount of time if desired.

TOKENS

To promote and reward positive behavior, we use a Token System! Kids compete on teams of their choosing (We change the theme each semester: Sports Teams, Super Hero Characters, Ice Cream Flavors, etc.) Tokens can be earned by showing positive behavior: Helping a friend or staff, giving a compliment, showing patience, etc. as well as promoting learning: 15 mins or homework or reading / writing. The team with the most tokens for the week will receive extra privileges.

TOYS FROM HOME

Toys from home are permitted daily but children must adhere to the following: Toys/games/handheld electronics must be appropriate and children take full responsibility for their items. We have a locked cabinet we are able to store them during Minneapolis Kids time. Handheld electronics may only be played during Computer Lab time (20 mins).

BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS

Mpls Kids follows the same policies as the school district regarding behavior expectations. We ask that the students be: Safe, Kind and Respectful while in our program.

FRIDAY CAFÉ

Every Friday, we turn our snack time into a Café with breakfast offerings. The students with the most tokens for the week get to decide what we will make and serve at the Café.

SHOWCASE EVENTS

At the end of our 8 week clubs (also the end of each school semester), we will turn the Commons into a Showroom where you can see all of our completed projects! Check email and Parent Table for announcements.

We're looking forward to a great year with your family!

~ Field Staff