

A Little Bit of Whit

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Greetings and Updates

We've had a busy month here at MPLS Kids at Whittier!

Throughout November, we've discovered how to build a circuit, how to make fire float, and how to make sculptures from nature! Students are enjoying these and other daily activities and games.

In particular, students get extra excited when one of our amazing staff leads a science or art project. What a creative group of people we have here at Whittier!

Coming up in December, students will have the opportunity

to lead projects along side the staff. Students will suggest an activity that is of interest to them and will work with a staff member to choose a day during which they can instruct their peers. Many students have already signed up and are looking forward to teaching activities involving magnets, dance and scientific experiments!

We're ready for flurries of new activities in December!



A student uses a battery and electrical tape to create a closed circuit, illuminating a small light bulb!

Non-School Days



Location

Non-school days are hosted by our sister school,
Lyndale Community School.

The address there is
312 W 34th Street.

We're looking forward to our non-school days at Lyndale over winter break! Check the schedule below to see what's coming up next.

Schedule

December

- Dec 21: On Site: Marvelous Monday
- Dec 22: Field Trip: The Works Museum
- Dec 23: On Site

Registration

Registration for release days are open online through
minneapolis.thatscommunityed.com.

Permission slips will be delivered to you in person, if you have not already signed one.



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Reminders

Late Pick Up Policy

In the afternoons, MPLS Kids closes promptly at 6:00 p.m. Please plan to pick up your student by closing time. If a child is still with us after closing, a fee of \$1.00 per minute after 6:00 p.m. will be charged to your account. These late charges are based off of the time at which you sign your child out of the program using the iPad application. After three late pick ups, you will receive a \$25.00 fee. After 5 late pick ups, you child's enrollment in MPLS Kids may be suspended or terminated. Thank you for being timely!

MPLS Kids at Whittier Hours:

School Days

Before School 6:30—9:30 a.m.

After School 4:00—6:00 p.m.

Non-School Days

6:30 a.m.—6:00 p.m.

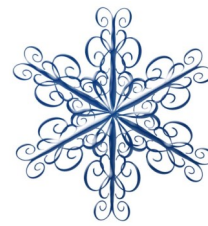
We are CLOSED:

December 24, 25 and 31

January 1 and 18

Dress For Success: Outdoor Clothing

As we enter the winter months, the days are getting shorter and colder! To be sure your child is prepared to make the most of every minute spent with MPLS Kids, please be sure they come to the program with appropriate outerwear. During November and December, please be sure your child has a jacket, gloves, and a hat. After the first snowfall, be sure they have boots and snowpants, too, so they can play in the snow!



Changing Seasons, Changing Schedules

As one season ends and another begins, so do some of the before- and after-school programs here at Whittier. Students' schedules can fluctuate as these changes occur. If your student's schedule with MPLS Kids changes because of changes in other programs, please contact Rachel via e-mail or by phone to let her know. If your student's schedule changes for any other reasons, please also let her know! We will be sure your child is safe and having fun!



Our Mission: To provide high quality school age child 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.



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