

Dear All Star Kids Parents/Guardians,

We thank you for choosing All Star Kids as your summer child care provider. We know that you have many choices for child care and we are glad you have chosen us. We look forward to providing an enriching and rewarding experience for your family this summer!

Please be sure to enroll for our text message alert system to receive important updates, information, and reminders regarding our 2016 summer program! To enroll, please text @asksummer to 81010.

Important information regarding the 2016 All Star Kids Summer Program:

Summer Program Location: Heritage Elementary, 9950 Rosewater Parkway, Bennington, NE 68007.

All Star Kids will be located in the cafeteria, gymnasium, and the playground. Please utilize the cafeteria entrance.

Hours of Operation: 6:30am-6:00pm, Monday through Friday, starting May 31 and ending on August 12.

(All Star Kids will be closed on May 30, July 4, August 15, & August 16)

Summer Site Phone: 402-670-4294

2016 Summer Program Brochure: A brochure has been created to provide you with further information regarding our upcoming summer program. This brochure details vital program information including a tuition fee schedule, field trip schedule, what to bring to program, and important dates. This brochure is also interactive and includes links to each of our field trip venues to provide you with further information regarding the activities we will be participating in this summer. This brochure can be found online by going to www.benningtonschoolsfoundation.org/allstar.

Field Trips: Please refer to the 2016 summer brochure for all scheduled field trip dates and times. All children in attendance will be required to attend scheduled field trips as all scheduled staff members will accompany the children on each trip (no staff members will stay behind at the school). All children will be required to wear their summer t-shirts, walking shoes, and socks on every field trip. Some field trips may require your child to bring their swimsuits and a towel; these field trips are designated in blue font in the summer brochure. All transportation for the 2016 summer program will be provided by licensed Bennington Public Schools drivers and vehicles/buses.

Tuition: Please refer to the enclosed brochure for all tuition rates and withdrawal dates. As a reminder, after the May 13, 2016 deadline, registration will become permanently closed for the 2016 Summer Program. Since registration for the Summer Program is a commitment for the entire summer, changes to enrollment including enrolling or withdrawing from the summer program, will not be permitted after 6:01pm on May 13, 2016, no exceptions.

Vacation Requests: During Summer Program only, families can receive one (1) tuition-free vacation week with a 14 day advance notice. Vacation days must be consecutive and cannot be divided. Copies of our Vacation Request form will be available at our summer site location and online by going to www.benningtonschoolsfoundation.org/allstar. Your completed form can be returned in person to our summer site location; by mail to: All Star Kids, 11620 N 156 Street, Bennington, NE 68007; or by fax to 402-238-2185 attention: All Star Kids.

Sign In & Out Procedure: Parents/Guardians must walk their children inside and physically sign them in and out each day. A weekly sign in/out sheet will be available on the cart directly inside of the cafeteria entrance. If an authorized adult will be picking your child up from program, they must show photo identification before your child will be released. We will need prior written permission from you if an authorized adult (other than those listed on your registration form) will be picking your child up from program. To add an authorized adult to your registration form, you will just need to complete an **Additional Authorized Contact Form**. A copy of this form is available at all three of our site locations as well



as online by going to www.benningtonschoolsfoundation.org/allstar. Your completed form can be submitted in person to our summer site location or by fax to 402-238-2185 attention: All Star Kids.

Sack Lunch & Drink: All children must bring a sack lunch and drink each day. Disposable sack lunches are recommended for field trip days as we will be eating lunch at our field trip location for the majority of our scheduled off-site field trips. Please be sure to write your child's name on their lunch container.

Sunscreen: A sunscreen fee of \$25 per child will be assessed to your account and will be included on the May 31, 2016 scheduled Tuition Express pull. Sunscreen will be provided by All Star Kids for the entire summer program and staff will assist children with applying and reapplying sunscreen throughout the day.

Summer T-Shirts & Dress Code: Please send children in comfortable play clothes, walking shoes, and socks each day. Please have your child wear their summer camp T-shirt for all off-site field trips and send your child with their swimsuit and towel for all water-related activities. **Summer t-shirts will be distributed during the first week of summer program.**

Electronics: We will be allowing the children to bring their electronics (i.e. Nintendo DS's, PS3's, iPods, etc.) on Mondays and Wednesdays only to play with for a restricted period of one hour. This is completely optional and alternate activities will also be available during this time if your child does not wish to bring their electronics. *As a reminder, All Star Kids will not be responsible for any lost or damaged items.*

Reading Program: All children are encouraged to bring a book with them each day of program. Each morning, all children will participate in our "Reading Rocks" program where the children will have an opportunity to read on their own or listen to a story read by our staff members. We will also be teaming up with the Bennington Public Library this summer to further strengthen our summer reading program. On Wednesday mornings during the month of June, between 8:30am and 9:30am, the library will be visiting our site location to engage our children in their summer reading program. In addition to this, we will also be stopping by the Bennington Public Library on Tuesday afternoons, after our scheduled field trip, from 4:00pm-5:00pm to allow the children to drop off and check out new library books. In order for your child to check out library books, your family must set up an account with the Bennington Public Library to receive a library card. The library card application can be obtained by visiting the library and is also available at all three of our site locations as well as on our website by going to www.benningtonschoolsfoundation.org/allstar. Your completed application can be submitted directly to the library in person or by fax at 402-238-2185 attention: All Star Kids. If your family already has a library card, please be sure to have your child bring it with them on Tuesdays. *As a reminder, All Star Kids will not be responsible for any lost or damaged library books checked out under your family's account.*

Website: All Star Kids is now online! You can find important forms, information, a copy of our family handbook, and much more by going to <http://benningtonschoolsfoundation.org/allstar>.

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you this summer!

All Star Kids Management Team

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