

**SPACE
PARENT
ORIENTATION
2022-23
DISTRICT 73.5**

SPACE Program Manager: Serena Tyler

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WAITLIST

- Those who did not submit an application by August 5 at 5 pm are on a waitlist
- Schools have a roster of who is enrolled
- Waitlist families will not be contacted until AT LEAST after Labor Day
- Families successfully registered for SPACE should have been emailed a receipt
- If I sent you this powerpoint via email, you are enrolled
- Unsure? You can email styler@skokieparks.org and I can check for you

PROGRAM GOALS

- To develop in each child a positive self-concept and an acceptance of other individuals, their cultural backgrounds, strengths and weaknesses.
- To provide for the physical and emotional wellbeing of each child via an atmosphere of warmth, safety and acceptance.
- To help children establish relationships with other children and staff.
- To provide an environment that is stimulating and inviting to children, where each child feels a sense of belonging and is encouraged to develop control of his/her behavior.

PARTICIPANT REGISTRATION PAPERWORK

Required:

- Child Information Form
 - Registration Form

As Needed:

- Medication Waiver

DISTRICT 73.5 SPACE START DATE

Middleton first day of AM/PM SPACE

August 24th

AM Drop-off: 7AM (Middleton ONLY)

Middleton: Entrance by Garden off St. Louis

Meyer first day of PM SPACE

August 25th

PM Pick-up: 6PM

Meyer: Red Door on Tripp near Keeney (by flagpole)

MEYER EXTENDED PRESCHOOL

- Max 15 kids per class
- Marisol/Rona (AM) teachers
- Caronica/Janina (PM) teachers
- Party on the Playground, August 18 @ 6:30pm (Meyer School)

SITE CONTACT INFORMATION

Middleton: 312.982.1487

Meyer: 312.860.6574

*add your school's SPACE phone # to your phone! Call
or Text*

School Specific Email:

Middleton: middletonspace@skokieparks.org

Meyer: elizabethmeyerspace@skokieparks.org

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

Superintendent of Recreation

^ Breanne Labus

Oakton Community Center Manager

^ Aryn Fletcher

SPACE Program Manager

^Serena Tyler

S.P.A.C.E. Site Director

S.P.A.C.E. Program Leader

MIDDLETON STAFF

AM: Amaiya (D), Yousef (D), full-time staff

PM: Amaiya (D), Yousef (D), Shoiab (L), Connor (L),
full time staff

AM Enrollment: 42

PM Enrollment: 99

ELIZABETH MEYER STAFF

PM: Rona (D), Marisol (D), Arusha (L)

PM Enrollment: 47

District 73.5 Director: Marisol Nieves

M-NASR



- Maine-Niles Association of Special Recreation
- Additional support for children with special needs
 - Suggested for children that have aide/companion during the school day

ALL STAFF TRAININGS

- Prior to school year beginning
- Trainings throughout the school year, both with site specific staff and all staff across all 5 districts

MEDICATIONS

Fill out the Medication Waiver

Communicate with Site Director

Provide medication in its original container with instructions. We can never have too much information so please tell us everything you think we should know.

INJURIES

Staff administer first aid

- Minor injuries
- Head injuries (notify parent ASAP)
 - Medical emergencies

ILLNESS

Sick child at program

Absences from school

Symptom-free 24 hours

*We'll go over COVID specific info at the end

PROGRAM STRUCTURE

Check-In & Attendance/Circle Time

Nut-Free Snack (PM Only)

Homework Help

Group Activities

Free Time (outside daily, gym use, art, add'l
homework help)

DROP OFF/ PICK-UP

- Call SPACE phone @ pick-up and your child will be brought out. No non SPACE participants/staff allowed in the school.
- Signing In/Out Required
- Showing ID at Pick-Up
- Adding Adults to Authorized Pick-Up
(Must be Written Authorization to Serena's email AND SPACE site specific email)

SCHEDULE CHANGES & WITHDRAWALS

- Contact Aryn via email as soon as possible
- Changing the amount of days or specific days of the week
- Subject to the Park District's \$25.00 withdrawal fee
 - Re-enrollment depends on site availability

ADD-A-DAY FEE

- Depending on enrollment for a particular day, part-time children may be eligible to attend an extra day.
- Charge for each additional morning is \$10.00/day
- Charge for each additional afternoon is \$15.00/day
- Payments due at day of service. SPACE Staff are not allowed to handle cash. We will run the card on file.

LATE PICK-UP POLICY

- Contact the Site Director as soon as possible on SPACE phone (text or call) or email
- Keep them informed you are running late and how late you anticipate
- After 6 p.m., \$1.00 per minute late fee applies
- If a parent or legal guardian does not arrive for pick-up after 30 minutes, the police may be contacted to remain with the child

PAYMENTS

- 9-Month Payment Plan option available for all SPACE programs
- Payments are charged on the 25th of each month, from August-April.
- A \$25.00 Late Fee will post to your account if payment is not received on time due to insufficient funds, denied card, etc.

REPORTING ABSENCES

Call, Text or Email your Site Director BEFORE the program to help alleviate chaos for the staff.

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EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSINGS

SPACE cancels if school is closed.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

- Parent inform the SPACE Site Director
- Adult from club escorts children to SPACE
- SPACE contacts parents if child did not check-in after club

It gets chaotic with all the moving pieces of an afterschool environment, so please communicate with SPACE if your child will be absent.

PERSONAL BELONGINGS

- Labeled with child's name
- Should not bring toys, electronics or personal equipment. We will not allow phones at SPACE and if we see them, we'll ask they get put away.

BEHAVIOR POLICIES

Behavior Policy

To ensure the safety and enjoyment of all participants, the following behavior code of conduct will be used as a guideline for Skokie Park District program participants:

- Will show respect to fellow participants and staff
- Will follow direction from staff and volunteers
- Will show respect to equipment, supplies and facilities
- Will not use inappropriate, abusive, or foul language,
- Will not show any aggressive behavior (punching, slapping, kicking, biting, etc.)
- Will not show continuous disruptive behavior
- Will follow all established rules and regulations

DAYS OFF SCHOOL

SPACE School's Out Fun

Applies to all Districts

Full days off of school – **select** days

Drop-Off & Pick-Up @ the Oakton Community Center

Register online at www.skokieparks.org or in-person.

DAYS OFF SCHOOL

School's Out Fun

Enjoy a day off of school with friends at the Oakton Community Center. A local field trip, lunch and afternoon snack are included in the fee. Other activities include, arts and crafts, games and outdoor play. Participants need to bring a re-fillable water bottle each day. Registration deadline is one week in advance. Extended days available. Age: 5-11 Location: Oakton Community Center

Fall Dates:

9/26 | 10/5 | 10/10 | 11/8 | 11/23

EARLY DISMISSALS

Included in SPACE fees (excluding the first day if it is a
half day)

Child must have day of week in their S.P.A.C.E.
schedule

STAYING INFORMED

Email Information Regarding the following:

Half days or full days off

Site/program changes

Staffing updates

Monthly materials

COVID GUIDELINES

- Sanitizing often, cleaning hands.
- Following guidelines set by school.

THANK YOU!

**All questions pertaining to this Parent Orientation
can be email directly to Serena:**

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