

Before/After School Friends

Before School only available at Vinton and Southeast Schools

We have more options than ever to fill your needs:



Enroll by month, regular individual days per month or on a drop-in basis!

BEFORE/AFTER School Friends

3 Locations: Community Center, Vinton and Southeast Schools

The Before/After-School Friends Program offers a safe, fun and relaxed atmosphere for children at the end of the school day. The program is for children whose parents want them to join special activities in a peer setting, or are unable to care for them after school. The program begins at the close of school at Southeast and Vinton locations or Community Center participants are bused from their schools daily. The program concludes at 6 p.m. each day. All children are offered daily snacks and beverages upon arrival to the program.

The Before/After-School Friends Program designs activities to provide children with experiences that enhance physical, emotional and social growth. Children not only develop peer relationships but also develop a connection with the staff who is sensitive to their needs and interests. Children learn to resolve conflicts and develop social skills needed for successful group interaction in future settings.

The Before/After-School Friends Program consists of options based on each child's interests, wants and needs. The weekly schedule can include activities such as arts and crafts, performing arts, sports, outdoor exploration, creative group games and special themed events. We encourage the children and staff to be involved in planning together.

The Before/After-School Friends Program recognizes individuality in all children as well as their need to identify with a group to experience a sense of belonging. We encourage cooperation between all participants at our program. We feel daily communication with parents and staff is important to keep you up to date on how your child is doing with Before/After School Friends.



The Before/After-School Friends Program is open all days that the Mansfield Public Schools are in operation including scheduled half days. On late openings and early dismissals there is no before or after school care. Fees are collected on a monthly basis. Children may be enrolled by the month or for certain consistent days of the week per month. Fees vary from month to month based on the number of days/hours the program runs. We also offer a Drop In registration for families in need of occasional before or after school care.

The Before-School Friends Program is offered at Southeast and Vinton Elementary Schools. The program starts at 7 a.m. each day and shares the same staff as After-School Friends Program.

Initial registration for Before/After School Friends must be done in person at the Community Center. Billing will be monthly thereafter. For more information contact: Jared Redmond by email: jredmond@mansfieldct.org or by phone 860-429-3015 ext. 6107.

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In order to use the drop in you must fill out the credit card authorization form. You will be charged the first week of the next month for the previous month's drop in days.

Register for specific days of the week each month:

\$10.75 each morning
\$13.30 each afternoon

Drop-in:

\$13 each morning, \$16 each afternoon