



IMPORTANT DATES

1/5: School/CAS resumes
1/10: Tuition Due
1/17: No School/No CAS

FAMILY FUN

1/17: Explore the impact of the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King at the Ohio History Center. Noon-4:00. Free admission!

Thursdays-Sundays all month: Got a Marvel Superhero fan in the family? Check out the exhibit at COSI! Artwork, original costumes, props, and more!

DID YOU KNOW?

Care After School is committed to providing the best quality program for our families. Staff members receive ongoing training regarding children's growth and development. So far this school year, our staff have attended workshops on creative and educational activities, implicit bias, communication techniques, and creating connections. We're looking forward to another training session next month!

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TECHNOLOGY AND YOUR FAMILY:

Talk to your children about your expectations for acceptable use of technology, before you allow them access to their new devices and gaming systems.

- Incorporate technology into your discussions about your family values.
- Acknowledge all the benefits, convenience, and fun that digital technology provides.
- Be open and honest with your fears about allowing them to connect with others online. Let them know up front that you will be monitoring their activity, so it doesn't seem like an invasion of privacy.
- Remain calm so that when issues arise, they will feel comfortable bringing them to your attention.

SCHOOL/CAS CLOSINGS

EMERGENCY DELAYS, DISMISSALS & CLOSINGS: Schools are sometimes closed for emergency conditions such as snowstorms, facility problems, etc. In these situations:

o If Worthington Schools are closed for the day, CAS is closed.

o If the start of school is delayed, the CAS before school program is closed.

o If the elementary, middle, or high schools are dismissed early for an emergency, CAS is closed.

Parents must make alternate arrangements for days when CAS is closed and ensure their child is aware of the plan. Please keep an eye and ear out for school closing information. If you haven't already, please complete the short survey sent from info@careafterschool.com on December 2nd regarding your family's emergency school closing plans.

Happy
New Year

2021 TUITION RECEIPTS

As a courtesy for current families, CAS will provide a year-end statement for all payments made during 2021. Receipts will be emailed to the address provided to CAS, no later than the end of January. Please email the CAS office at info@careafterschool.com if you need another copy. Remember, if you are enrolled in Tuition Express, you may print your own receipts at any time!

PROMOTING TOGETHERNESS: FAMILY FUN NIGHT

INDOOR CAMPING

Set up a campsite in your own living room! If you have a tent, set it up inside. If you don't have one, you can always sleep "under the stars" and just lay out the sleeping bags and blankets on the floor. There's always the option of a blanket fort too! You can throw a red or yellow pillow/blanket/shirt in the middle of the floor to use as a campfire. Pull out the cooler, and throw some bottled water in it so no one has to leave the "campsite" for a drink.

What foods do you think of for a camping trip? Hotdogs? Burgers? Potato Salad? Baked Beans? Set the tone by serving some campground favorites for dinner! Have you ever made "Indoor S'Mores?" They're easy and not as messy. See the recipe below.

Gather around the "campfire" for some fun stories and songs. Or use a flashlight to create shadow puppets on the walls.

Go on a "Survival Hike." Cut out pictures of firewood, berries, edible mushrooms (or simply write those words on index cards) and hide them in another room. Send the children out to find those necessities before it's too dark!

INDOOR S'MORES:

INGREDIENTS:

GRAHAM CRACKERS
MARSHMALLOW FLUFF
CHOCLOATE ICING

DIRECTIONS:

BREAK ONE GRAHAM CRACKER IN HALF
ON ONE HALF, SPREAD THE MARSHMALLOW FLUFF
ON THE OTHER HALF, SPREAD THE ICING.
PUT THE HALVES TOGETHER AND ENJOY!