



IMPORTANT DATES

11/5: Tuition Due
11/21-11/23:
Thanksgiving Break
No School/No CAS



FAMILY FUN

11/7-12/17: **Santa's Mailbox.** Santa will be stopping in Worthington to collect his mail from Nov. 7- Dec. 17. His mailbox will be located at the north entrance of the Griswold Center.

11/25: **Holiday Open House** from noon-6:00. Visit downtown Worthington for holiday decorations, horse-drawn carriage rides, pictures with Santa, an iceless ice-rink, and then at 5:30, the tree-lighting ceremony!

November 2018 News

EMERGENCY CLOSINGS & DELAYS

The Care After School policy has changed regarding emergency dismissals. If emergency conditions such as snowstorms, facility problems, etc., cause the school day to be altered, CAS will follow these guidelines:

- ***If the schools are closed for the day, CAS is closed.***
- ***If the start of school is delayed, the CAS before school program is closed, but the after school program will be in session.***
- ***If the elementary schools dismiss at their regular time but the middle schools or high schools are dismissed early for an emergency, CAS is closed.***
- ***If the elementary schools are dismissed early for an emergency, CAS is closed.***

Cancellation information will be posted on the CAS website and an email will be sent to inform parents about emergency dismissals. Please make sure CAS has your daytime email on file and that your Emergency Release Plan has been completed and returned to your Site Director. Please review this plan with your child.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour Sat. Nov. 3rd before going to bed.

Remember, we do not release "walkers" after sunset for their safety.



\$25 SAVINGS!

Apply for Tuition Express, our automated payment program, between Nov. 6th and Nov. 23rd to receive \$25.00 off your December tuition payment! Ask your Site Director for an Authorization Form, or go online to careafterschool.com/electronic-payments

*Offer valid for new Tuition Express Clients. One offer per family.

DID YOU KNOW?

The top priority at CAS is the safety of the children. This begins the moment they are dismissed from school. If a child is expected to attend CAS, but does not arrive in the cafeteria for check-in, our Trace Procedure is implemented immediately. The Site Director must leave the program and begin trying to locate the child inside the building, check with school personnel, and call the child's parents and emergency contacts. If the Site Director is still unable to locate the child, the Police Department will be notified of a missing child. Because of the process involved, it is very important for parents to notify CAS each time their child will be absent. Failure to do so will result in a \$10 Trace Fee. Please email, call, write in the Parent Notebook, or speak with a staff member each time your child will not attend CAS on a regularly scheduled day.



APPROPRIATE DRESS

As cold weather approaches, please see that your children are dressed appropriately (hats, boots, gloves, etc.). We believe in fresh air and physical activity for everyone so we will continue to go outdoors each day as the weather permits.

Care After School

Homework & Learning after the bell

Homework time is a significant component of the CAS program. While we are not an academic extension of the school day, we appreciate all the demands on school age children and their families and we have a commitment to their academic learning. To help children get a good start on homework during CAS, the daily schedule includes 20-30 minutes of quiet time Monday through Thursday for homework or reading. Although CAS believes that homework is ultimately the child's responsibility, we will do all that we can to encourage children to work on it. CAS staff will be available to provide some assistance if needed, but cannot be expected to check children's work for accuracy or completeness or to provide individual tutoring for children. It is our hope that homework time at CAS will help preserve some important family time in the evening for children and parents!

We are fortunate the District allows all sites access to the school's chrome books to assist the children with their homework assignments. The chrome books are to be used for homework ONLY.

All CAS sites are working to make homework time as productive as possible and to plan and conduct activities that encourage learning and growth. Please check with your Site Director for more detailed information about homework at your site.