

# Before and After School Programing



**Dodger Care** 

**Dodgeville School District** 

#### What is Dodger Care about?

- Parents/Community members were telling the district that there was a need for child care for students in the community.
- We sent a survey to parents to see if there was interest in the school district starting a before and after school program.
- We were hoping that we would be able to slow our open enrollment out.
- As a community there were fewer options for childcare.



#### What is Dodger Care about?



- Dodger Care's mission is to provide fun, safe, and engaging opportunities for students by offering a variety of activities outside of the traditional school day.
- Convenience for parents to drop off and pick up from one location.





# Who is able to utilize our before and after school program?



- Dodger Care is available for children currently enrolled in 4K through
  4th grade. Our elementary school is 4K through 4th grade.
- Currently we do not have anyone that is utilizing Dodger Care that is outside of the Dodgeville School District.
- During the 2023/24 school year and summer 93 families used Dodger Care.
- Our total enrollment during this period was 131 students.
- <u>Dodger Care Handbook</u>
- <u>Dodger Care Registration</u>

# Summer Dodger Care

- Dodger Care is open during the summer as well. We are open from 6AM until 6PM, Monday through Friday.
- Any child that has been in 4K-4th grade is eligible.
  - There are students from the private school as well as others that are visiting the area that are able to utilize Dodger Care during the summer.
- We are closed for one week around the Fourth of July.
- During the summer, all of the students enrolled in Dodger Care are also enrolled in our summer school program as well.

- Summer Dodger Care Handbook
- **Summer Dodger Care Registration**



### Where does Dodger Care take place?

- Dodger Care takes place right at our elementary school
- We use 3 classrooms for Dodger Care during the school year. rooms are also used during the school day.
  - One room in the morning
  - Three rooms in the afternoon. The rooms are divided by grade level.
- We use 6 classrooms during the summer.
  - We also utilize the gym, library, and playground.
  - There is a "school lunch" that is also offered at a cost.





# How does Dodger Care work?



- During the school year, on normal school days we have 1 staff before school. After school we have 3 staff members.
  - One of our employees does a split shift(AM and PM)
  - Two of our employees start their day later.
  - Our employees are the districts employees and they receive benefits.
  - We also utilize high school students in the program as well.



#### How is Dodger Care funded?

- Fund 80
  - Staff payroll
    - During the school year we have 3 employees
    - During the summer we have 6 employees per day.
  - Supplies
    - We utilize a variety of educational games and activities along with fun games, toys, and activities.
  - Snacks
    - During the school year students are offered a snack after school
    - During the summer students are offered a morning and afternoon snack.







# When does Dodger Care take place?

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- Dodger Care follows the school calendar.
  - We are open on our professional development days and our half days.
  - We are not open during our Thanksgiving Break,
    Winter Holiday Break, or Spring Break
- Our hours are from 6:00 AM until the start of school(7:40)
  and then from after school 3:15 PM until 6:00PM.



#### School Board Items

- What was/is the school boards role in Dodger Care?
  - Needed to approve the programming.
  - Need to approve new job positions.
  - Needed to have the Dodger Care Handbook approved.
    - This is done when there is a change in pricing.
- Managing donations









#### Comments from Parents

- "Without Dodger Care we would have moved to a different district. We feel comfortable knowing that we can drop our children off at school in the morning and then pick them up at school. We don't have to find transportation"
- "It is neat to see when I pick up my child that they are playing with someone new everyday"
- "My child is always playing with something different when I pick them up"
- "My child will play with their toys at home and doesn't get as upset when

their younger sibling plays with them"







#### **Questions and Comments**

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