PROGRAM GUIDELINES FOR PARENTS & GUARDIANS

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NOTICE:

Apart from program tuition, applicable fees, and grade level eligibility requirement, the following information applies to the After-

spontaneity. Activities are balanced in terms of staff directed/child-initiated, group/individual, active/inactive experiences to allow for variety. In planning activities, staff members try to keep in mind the content and style of the activity, characteristics of the school and community, and resources available to them. Our staff has a basic plan to promote the consistency of a daily routine. The daily plan requires consistent scheduling for recreation, snacks, homework, etc.

Administration

The Adventure Club program is a function of the Judson Independent School District and follows the JISD district's published policies and procedures. The Judson ISD Adventure Club program's administrative staff consists of campus principals and the campus-based Adventure Club Supervisor and staff. Program policies, staff, curriculum, accountability, and finances are all monitored by the Judson ISD district office administration.

The Adult & Community Education and Adventure Club Department works in cooperation with the campus principals of each Adventure Club site regarding tuition payments received invoicing for the program services. A cooperative arrangement between the campus principals and the Judson ISD Child Nutrition Department ensures an appropriate daily food and beverage snack for all children enrolled in the program.

Absences and Early/Late Pick-ups

If your child is ill, when you call the school to report the illness or pick up your child from school, please request the school secretary to put a notice of the child's absence in the Adventure Club mailbox. Absences without prior notification may be mistaken for a missing child and cause unnecessary concern and time searching for the child. If a child does not arrive

Both parents or guardians of a child are responsible for following the Adventure Club policies and procedures, regardless of which parent or guardian enrolled the child.

Health and Safety

If your child has a known medical condition (asthma, diabetes, seizure disorder, etc.) please be sure this information is recorded on the application form and the Adventure Club staff knows what care you suggest if a problem should occur during the Adventure Club hours. In addition, parents will be asked to fill out a <u>Medical/Emergency Information Form</u> which the Adventure Club will keep on file.

If your child has asthma and needs to self-administer asthma medications, you must provide Adventure Club with a copy of the SCHOOL ASTHMA ACTION PLAN as outlined by the JISD Health Services Department.

If a child has any one of the following conditions, the parents of the child will be notified to pick up the child immediately; contagious disease; fever over 100 degrees; vomiting or diarrhea; accident requiring medical attention.

The Adventure Club staff will provide care for children who are ill or injured, following the guidelines and policies governing regular school days. Emergency contacts will be made according to the information provided on the application form. Minor injuries (small cuts, bruises, scrapes) will be treated by the Adventure Club staff. In serious cases, the child may be taken to the local hospital by emergency vehicle. This is a decision that will be made by the responding paramedics. The parents will be called immediately. Judson ISD staff do not assume any financial responsibility but will provide/arrange for emergency care.

Texas law requires caregivers to report suspected cases of child abuse. This includes the reporting of parents who appear to be impaired by drugs or alcohol. The Adventure Club personnel are directed to make every effort to keep a child from getting into a car with a parent who they feel might be under the influence of drugs or alcohol. If needed, they will call the police to drive the child and the parent home for assistance.

Homework & Tutoring

Children may receive homework assignments during the regular school day. A quiet place will be provided each day for students to do homework while attending Adventure Club. Although our after-school staff will supervise the children during homework time and will assist as appropriate, they cannot take responsibility for the completion of the homework. The district asks parents to help their child by providing the time, place, cooperation, and encouragement needed to complete assignments. Children should be reminded to take their books, work, and supplies to school each day. We do not provide pencils, paper,

Operating Schedule

The Adventure Club program operates between the hours of 3:00 PM and 6:00 PM. The program coincides with the Judson Independent School District student instructional calendar; therefore, it does not operate during school holidays, school closing due to inclement weather, or teacher in-service days. Adventure Club will be open during regularly scheduled student early release days from 11:30AM – 6PM. In the event of early dismissal of school due to inclement weather or emergency closing, the parent/guardian or other designated person will be expected to pick up the child at the school's scheduled dismissal time or as announced on that day by the local media.

Parental Involvement

Judson Independent School District believes in the power of education and its powerful, positive influence on our community. Research has proven that parental involvement

The parent/guardian must provide new information to the Adventure Oub After School Program staff regarding changes such as: emergency contacts, designated pick-up people, contact phone numbers, addresses, etc.

Texas law precludes the district from keeping a child from a biological parent unless there are court documents stating this judgment. The Adventure Club Site must have copies of any official court documents, signed by a judge, on file in which to uphold while the student is a participant in the Adventure Club After School Program.

Release of Children

Children are expected to arrive on time and to leave the program according to the information recorded by the parents/guardians on the enrollment form. Each child enrolled in the Adventure Club program will remain at the program site until picked up by an authorized individual or parent/guardian. The parent/guardian enrolling the child

If a parent does not want his/her child to eat the JISD snack, the parent may choose to send a different snack for their own child but may not send food or purchase food for other students. The alternative snack must be a nutritional snack such as fruit, cereal bar, or applesauce. Please do not send chips, soda, or candy as a snack. The exceptions to the nutrition policy are the holiday/special day parties that can be held during Adventure Club at the discretion of the campus principal.

Staff

Each Adventure Club site is staffed with skilled individuals. All staff members participate in inservice training and are certified in CPR and First Aid. The average adult-child ratio in the Adventure Club is one to twenty. However, students may occasionally participate in large group activities where the ration is increased.

Valuables/Personal Property

Students are responsible for the care and custody of personal items. The district cannot assume

Discipline

Behavior standards for the children will be the same as in the regular school day. The children will know what behavior is expected, as well as the rewards

For questions or concerns please contact:

The Principal or Adventure Club Supervisor at your child's campus.

Thank You for Choosing The Judson ISD Adventure Club After School Program



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