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The After-Care Corner

I hope everyone had a great winter break! I want to take this opportunity to tell you about the After-Care Program (“ACP”) at Meyerland PVA Middle School. This is a PTO-sponsored program – so all money goes right back to the PTO which benefits the school, as well as your children. We have five wonderful certified teachers (two per day) who work on a rotating basis. They are loving and caring and truly enjoy working with children. They are available to help with homework and have been known to be a shoulder to cry on if needed. **Ms. Calvin** teaches 8th grade U.S. History in House A. **Mr. Green** teaches 6th grade Science in House M. **Ms. Mitchell** teaches 6th grade Reading in House M. **Ms. Vershier** teaches 6th grade Reading in House A. **Ms. Ross** teaches 6th grade Reading in House P. I am so proud to have these fine teachers available for your children.

I have been told by many parents and teachers, as well as the children, how happy they are with this program.

ACP begins in the cafeteria at 3:45 (for dinner, homework, etc.). Yes, the children will be fed a hot meal in the cafeteria around 4:00. Meals are served by an HISD employee who works in the cafeteria during the day. After dinner, around 4:30, the children walk to the library where they are able to finish their homework and use the computers. Teachers check with the students each day to see what homework has been assigned. Homework must be completed before free time is granted. Around 5:00, some go outside with one of the teachers to expend some energy. Others may stay in the library and finish homework or play games. We have several board games, puzzles, card sets, etc.

We have several ACP options available: 5 days per week through 1 day per week. There is also a drop-in option. Rates and other information are available in the front office. Tuition is to be paid monthly as set forth in the tuition contract. Payments may be made by check, money order, cash or **Chase QuickPaySM** and are due no later than the 5th school day of the month. If you join us mid-month, the rate will be prorated. If you haven’t checked out the After-Care section of the PTO website, be sure to do so. You will find articles and pictures, as well as additional information about the program.

If you pick up your child between 3:45 and 4:30, please park in the teachers' parking lot and come through the side door. If you pick up your child between 4:30 and 6:00, please park on Wigton - just outside of the library. The gate and door to the building will be unlocked. If you are coming from Chimney Rock, you will drive down the length of the black fence until it ends.

If you are interested in participating in this program, please go to <http://www.ptojms.org/aftcrehdr.html> and print out the form. You may turn in the form and payment when you pick up your child. Feel free to contact me at meyerlandacp@gmail.com if you have any questions.

I look forward to seeing you!

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