

Extended Day Program

2024-2025 Policies and Procedures Handbook

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OUR PROGRAM

The R.B. Hunt Extended Day Program provides before and after school care for all students on a first come, first serve basis. The Extended Day team is committed to providing a safe, fun, socially and academically engaging environment for your children. Students enrolled in morning care will enjoy starting their day with friends in the cafeteria where they will be able to eat their breakfast from home or purchase breakfast from the cafeteria when they open to morning care students. Additional information for school breakfast can be found <u>HERE</u>.

In the afternoon, children are grouped by age and grade. Each group contains 20-25 students. Students are dismissed to extended day when school ends and must be picked up by 5:30PM. There is a schedule that each group follows which includes snack, homework/quiet time, the planned activity of the day, and outside and indoor play time. Our activities coincide with your child's age and grade level. Weekly activities include, but are not limited to, arts & crafts, S.T.E.A.M challenges and projects, food activities, organized sports, movement and fitness, and a free day on Friday.

HOURS OF OPERATION, DROP-OFF & PICK-UP PROCEDURES

Morning care begins at 6:45AM and students dismissed to classes when school opens. Your child(ren) must be signed in daily by the person dropping off.

Afternoon care begins when school dismisses. Students must be picked-up and signed out from the front office <u>NO</u> <u>LATER THAN 5:30PM</u>, by someone on their approved pick-up list. **Please inform all parties on your approved list to provide a picture ID at pick-up**. Students will not be released to those not on the list or those who cannot provide ID. Students will not be released to walk or ride bikes home without an escort from the approved pick-up list.

LATE PICK-UP POLICY

Each student must be picked-up and signed out by 5:30PM. Anyone picking up after **5:30PM** will be asked to sign a late pick-up sheet and will be charged \$1.00 per minute until the pick-up person's arrival. We recognize that circumstances may arise and cause an unavoidable late pick-up. We extend our understanding by offering you three (3) excused late pick-ups. After three (3) late pick-ups you will be asked to make other arrangements for after school care that better suit your needs. Please make alternate arrangements with family, friends, or neighbors in the event of an emergency.

REGISTRATION FEES

A **non-refundable registration fee** will be collected annually with registration forms. This fee covers administrative costs associated with the program. Registration fee is \$75 per child. If you wish to re-enroll in the program later in the year and space is available, you will not be required to pay another registration fee. Registration Fees can be paid via check made out to R.B. Hunt Extended Day, cash or schoolpay.com.

RATES & PAYMENT PROCEDURES

Florida State Law requires that all services be paid in full prior to services being provided. **Payments are due on the 15th of every month**. If the 15th falls on a weekend or holiday, payment must be received on the business day before the 15th. **A \$30 late fee will be applied on the 16th of the month**. Payments not received by next billing cycle will result in the removal from the Extended Day Program.

You are required to pay on time regardless of whether you have received a monthly statement. Receipts/Statements are available upon request. At the end of the tax year, you will receive a tax statement, which will reflect all payments made to the Extended Day Program.

Payments can be made online at schoolpay.com, by check, or cash. Checks should be made payable to, R.B Hunt Extended Day. **Please notate child(ren) name(s) in the memo line and have two phone numbers listed*.

2024-2025				
Rates	1 Child	2 Children	3 Children	
AM Only	\$110	\$176	\$242	
PM Only	\$270	\$432	\$594	
AM & PM	\$350	\$560	\$770	
*SJCSD Employee Discount- 50% off rates				
shown above.				
*Free & Reduced Lunch Discount is available				
upon receipt of SJCSD Approval Letter.				

2024-2025 Fee Schedule			
Payment #	Due Date	Payment Coverage	
1	July 15th	August 12 – September 5	
2	Aug 15th	September 6 – October 2	
3	Sept 15th	October 3 – October 29	
4	Oct 15th	October 30 – December 2	
5	Nov 15th	December 3 – January 9	
6	Dec 15th	January 10 – February 5	
7	Jan 15th	February 6 – March 5	
8	Feb 15th	March 6 – April 8	
9	March 15th	April 9 – May 5	
10	April 15th	May 6 – May 30	

CHECK POLICY

The St. Johns County School District is an Envision participant. All checks MUST include the following:

- FULL NAME
- STREET ADDRESS (NO PO BOX)
- HOME PHONE #
- SECONDARY PHONE #
- DRIVER'S LICENSE # (W/ STATE)

If you should have a check returned, you will be contacted for payment by Envision. If these checks are not cleared within a 7-day period or if we receive more than one returned check on your account, it will be mandatory to pay in cash or money order for all future transactions with the Before & After School Extended Day Program. Prompt communication with Envision regarding such matters is required immediately to maintain your Before & After School Extended Day Program status.

DISMISSAL & SCHEDULE CHANGES

It is the parent's responsibility to communicate schedule and dismissal changes to your student's teacher, and the Extended Day Coordinator. Dismissal Changes must be made prior to 2:15PM (1:15PM on Wednesdays) by using the online dismissal change form located on the R.B. Hunt school website.

EARLY WITHDRAWAL POLICY

A two-week notice and completion of the Withdrawal Form is required, in the event of early withdrawal from the Extended Day Program. All tuition payments paid prior to withdrawal will be forfeited. We cannot guarantee that a space will be available should you decide to re-enroll your child following their withdrawal.

KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS

Kindergarten students will be picked up directly from their classrooms by their Extended Day Group Leaders. Please ensure your student has an extra change of clothes in addition to the outfit you pack for the classroom just in case an accident occurs during Extended Day.

DAILY ACTIVITIES & SNACK

Each group will follow a daily schedule that allows time for outside play, snack (two provided on early release days), the planned activity, indoor play, and quiet time for reading or homework. Planned activities include, but are not limited to, arts & crafts, S.T.E.A.M challenges and projects, food activities, organized sports, movement and fitness, and a free day on Friday. Activity calendar and snack list are available upon request. There will also be seasonal parties and movie days held throughout the year that include popcorn, candy, popsicles, ice cream and other special treats that aren't served on a regular basis.

Please notify us of any allergies or restrictions your child may have.

HOMEWORK

The Extended Day afternoon schedule provides quiet time for homework and reading on Mondays through Thursdays. Extended Day Group Leaders are available to oversee homework time and assist when needed. Extended Day Group Leaders can spot check homework for completeness and assist with questions, but we cannot guarantee that your child's assignments will be completed by pick up. **We do not allow children to go back to classrooms** for safety purposes and to reinforce responsibility. All students are expected to remain quiet during homework time out of respect for other students. Please note that it is child's responsibility to complete their homework and the parent's responsibility to review and check daily.

DISCIPLINE POLICY

Please read the following guidelines carefully with your child(ren).

Extended Day follows the SHINE Expectations that are in place during the school day. Below are Extended Day Expectations:

- S-Safe Choices: Students are to stay with their group, follow school rules, and keep hands, feet, and objects to themselves. Students are to report to roll call immediately following dismissal with all belongings (jackets, water bottle, homework, etc.).
- ► <u>H-Having Respect</u>: Students are to listen and follow directions given by group leaders just as they would in their classroom during the school day with teachers. Respect All!
- ▶ <u>I-Including Others:</u> Students are to include all who want to participate and work together as a team!
- ▶ <u>N-Noticing Feelings:</u> Students are to be kind, use kind words and be aware of other's feelings.
- <u>E-Engaging in School:</u> Students are to complete homework during homework time and to participate in daily activities or alternative option provided.

Students will also make a Social Contract (agreement of behavior) with their Extended Day group. When dealing with misbehavior, students will be asked the Four Questions: 1. What are you doing? 2. What are you supposed to be doing? 3. Are you doing it? 4. What are you going to do about it?

Students in R.B. Hunt's Extended Day Program are expected to exhibit good behavior, and follow all school rules and procedures, just as they are during the regular day. Students failing to exhibit good behavior are subject to the following disciplinary procedures and consequences.

Minor Misbehaviors

Level 1 offenses under the St. Johns Student Code of Conduct are considered minor misbehaviors. These included, but are not limited to, disorderly conduct, minor disrespect, and minor insubordination. The Student Code of Conduct can be found <u>HERE</u>.

Behavior Steps

1. Verbal Warning

- Extended Day staff will give the student a verbal warning that their behavior is unacceptable and provide guidance on what they should do to improve.
- 2. Consequence During Extended Day
 - Take a break/Time-out Complete Behavior Reflection Form (may be required to sit in front office for remainder of afternoon)
 - Loss of privileges (including, but not limited to, going outside, planned activity, or using the computer lab)
- 3. Behavior Notice
 - The student will receive a Behavior Notice Form, which must be completed at home with parent/guardian and returned the next day.
- 4. Suspension from Extended Day
 - The student will be suspended from participating in Extended Day, but not from the normal school day.
 - First offense: One day of suspension from extended day.
 - Second offense: Two days of suspension from extended day.
 - Third offense: Three days of suspension from extended day.
 - Fourth Offense: If an Extended Day student commits a fourth offense, a meeting will be convened, with administration present, to determine if the student should be removed from Extended Day Program for the remainder of the school year.

Major Misbehaviors

If a student commits a Level 2, 3, or 4 offense, as defined by the Student Code of Conduct, they may be immediately suspended from the Extended Day Program. If the offense is severe enough, a meeting will be convened, with administration present, to determine if the student should be removed from Extended Day for the remainder of the school year.

Occasionally, we may ask your student's teacher or guidance counselor for information from the day so that we can better address any situation that may occur afterschool. We feel strongly that when we have support from the parents at home and school staff, we can be more effective when dealing with discipline issues.

PERSONAL ITEMS

Please do not allow your children to bring, lovies, toys, Pokémon or any trading cards or any other personal items from home. Trading is not permitted. There will be a verbal warning the first time an item is seen out and the second time it will be sent to the front office until your child is picked up.

GENERAL RELEASE OF LIABILITY

The undersigned hereby release and forever discharge R.B. Hunt Extended Day, R.B. Hunt, St. Johns County School Board, St. Johns County, Florida, their servants, agents and employees from claims and demands, rights and causes of any kind of action that the undersigned has or hereafter may have on account of or in any way arising from personal injuries known or unknown to the undersigned at the present time and property damage resulting in or that results from any occurrence that may happen during time spent in R.B. Hunt Extended Day.

The <u>online registration form</u> provides space for electronic signature that parent acknowledges and agrees to the above.

AUTHORIZATION OF EMERGENCY CARE

In the event of an accident or serious illness, if the R.B. Hunt Extended Day Program is unable to reach me, I hereby authorize them to contact the physician indicated during school registration to follow his/her instructions. If it is impossible to contact this physician, then R.B. Hunt Extended Day Program may make whatever arrangements necessary to provide care and treatment for my child. In case of an accident or serious illness where immediate

treatment of my child is not indicated but where he/she is unable to remain at school, R.B. Hunt Extended Day Program will contact me to arrange transportation for my child. If I am unable to be reached, I authorize them to contact one of the persons listed on the registration form and request them to come to the school and pick up my child.

The <u>online registration form</u> provides space for electronic signature that parent acknowledges and agrees to the above.

VERIFICATION OF UNDERSTANDING & AGREEMENT

I have read the handbook for the R.B. Hunt Extended Day Program; I accept the terms and agreements above. I agree to pay my student's fees according to the payment schedule. I am aware that delayed payment fees will result in loss of childcare. I understand the information above and have gone over the homework lab, discipline policy, and program safety guidelines with my student(s).

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Thank you for taking the time to review the R.B. Hunt Extended Day Policies and Procedures Handbook. We look forward to a great year with your child(ren)!