



GATEWAY SCHOOL AFTER SCHOOL CARE PROGRAM FEES SCHEDULE 2011 - 2012

Gateway School is initiating a new schedule of fees for After School Care (ASC) that we believe will be simpler and easier to understand and track for everyone. All use of the ASC program will now be charged on an hourly basis and the per-hour rate will decrease as the number of hours used per month increases. We believe that this will save money for parents who previously used ASC contracts because parents will be charged only for the hours their children actually use, as opposed to being charged for a block of hours each month that their children may or may not use. We also believe that this will save time and effort for parents and the school by eliminating the work involved with changing students' contracts when the parents' needs for childcare change during the course of the school year.

The per-hour rates are as follows:

<u>If your child uses this many hours in a given month...</u>	<u>The rate you will pay for each hour will be...</u>
0.25 hours – 19.75 hours per month	\$9.00 per hour
20 hours – 39.75 hours per month	\$8.00 per hour
40 hours – 49.75 hours per month	\$7.00 per hour
50 hours or more	\$6.00 per hour

- These charges are calculated from the child's dismissal time to the time that the parent/guardian, carpool or designated pick-up person signs the child out.
- Parents, guardians, carpools and designated pick-up people are expected to be on time when picking up children at the children's dismissal time—otherwise the parents/guardians will be charged for ASC for that day. **All children still on campus 15 minutes after their dismissal time will be automatically signed into ASC by the ASC staff. It is essential that parents, guardians, carpools and designated pick-up people sign the children out of ASC every day**, being sure to write down the sign-out time and the initials of the pick-up person every day. If a child is signed into After School Care by the staff and then not signed out by the parent, guardian or designated pick-up person, the parent/guardian will be charged for 2 hours of care (the default charge that we use when we have no way of confirming the child's actual hours of attendance).
- After School Care runs from the end of the regular school day until 5:30 p.m. It is essential that all children be picked up by 5:30 due to the Zoning Board's regulation of the hours during which we may have children on campus. If a child is not picked up by 5:30, a late fee of \$9.00 will be assessed for every period of 5 minutes that the child remains in our care past 5:30 p.m.
- All charges for After School Care and After School Classes in a given month will appear on students' monthly billing statements, which are generally mailed to parents/guardians during the first week of the following month. Payments for these charges are due by the last day of the month in which the statements are received and must be made directly to Gateway School. If you are using the Smart Tuition Management Program for payment of your monthly tuition installments, please note that the Smart Program does not collect payments for these charges. A late fee of \$20.00 per month will be assessed if payment in full for these charges is not received by the last day of the month.
- Parents/guardians may pay their After School Care charges by mailing checks (payable to Gateway School) to the Gateway School Main Office, or by putting payments in the metal payments box just inside the door of the Main Office. To help us apply your payments correctly, please write your child's name and "ASC" on the memo line of your check (not on a separate piece of paper).
- We offer Full-Day Care on days when school is open but classes are not in session (such as in-service and conference days) from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. for \$7.00 per hour, with a minimum charge of \$28.00 and a maximum charge of \$50.00 per day. Parents/guardians must sign students up for Full-day Care in advance. Full-day Care during some days of Winter Break and Spring Break may be available if there are a sufficient number of students signed up in advance.
- In addition to the regular After School Care program and After School Care Classes, Gateway School offers 5th – 8th grade students the opportunity to participate in our after school sports teams. In order to cover some of the costs of operating this program, a fee of \$120 per student is charged for each team that the student joins.