

Snow/Inclement Weather Emergency Procedures for Child Care (SACC, CEC, MSTG)



LATE OPENINGS

- When schools open *1 hour late*, the AM program will begin at **8:00am**.
- When schools open *2 hours late*, the AM program will begin at **9:00am**.

CHILD CARE CLOSED

- If schools are *closed* for the day, the Child Care program (SACC/CEC/MSTG) will also be **CLOSED** for the day.
- If schools announce that they are *dismissing early*, the PM program will be **CLOSED**.
- If schools announce that "*afterschool activities are cancelled*", the PM program will close at **5:00pm** (please be aware that late pick-up fees will apply after 5:00pm).

UNUSUAL WEATHER/EMERGENCY CIRCUMSTANCES

- In the rare case that an incoming blizzard, hurricane, or other wide-scale emergency occurs, the Child Care Division of Recreation & Parks reserves the right to make a decision for the safety of children, families, and staff that is independent of the Public Schools decision. If this occurs, text & email alerts will be sent.

TEXT MESSAGE ALERTS

- Sign up for Text Message Alerts to receive emergency notification from the Child Care Administrative Office at www.aacounty.org/recparks > Child Care. You must re-register each year after August 10th (the system is purged each summer!).

**For more information regarding our Emergency Closings policies, please see
your Parent's Manual. Thank you! 😊**



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PRE-K MONTHLY PARENT NEWSLETTER November 2018

NOVEMBER is a wonderful time to say “**THANK YOU**” and spend some time in **SERVICE** to others. Did you know that each of our child care centers must provide at least two opportunities each school year for your child to participate in a Community Service Project? Keep an eye out for these projects in your child’s center...



November 2018 Calendar

- November 6th
 (Election Day)
 Schools & PRE-K CLOSED,
Child Care Administrative Office is also CLOSED
- November 8th & 9th
 (2 Hour Early Dismissals)
 PRE-K hours are unaffected. We will remain OPEN until 3pm, as usual
- November 10th
 December Payment Due
- November 12th
 (County Government Holiday –
only affects our Child Care Administrative Office)
Child Care Administrative Office only is CLOSED for Veteran’s Day Holiday
- November 21st–23rd
 (Thanksgiving Break)
 Schools & PRE-K CLOSED,
Child Care Administrative Office is CLOSED for the Thanksgiving Holiday on November 22nd & 23rd

INCLEMENT WEATHER & EMERGENCY CLOSINGS

Although none of us want to think about it, it’s almost that cold & snowy time of year again! As a reminder...

- All PRE-K programs follow the policies and schedule of the Anne Arundel County Public School System:

LATE OPENINGS

- When schools open 1 hour late, the Pre-K program will begin at 10am
- When schools open 2 hours late, the Pre-K program will begin at 11am

SCHOOL/SACC CLOSINGS

- If schools are CLOSED for the day, Pre-K will also be CLOSED
- If schools announce that they are dismissing early, Pre-K will close at 2pm
- If schools announce that “afterschool activities are cancelled”, the Pre-K program will be unaffected. We will remain open until 3pm, as usual.

PARENT’S MANUAL

- Please refer to pages 18-19 of your Parent’s Manual for a more detailed explanation of our Inclement Weather policies.

Keep an eye out in your child’s center... during the month of November as the Thanksgiving holiday creeps closer, Center Directors will have an Inclement Weather Flyer for you to post on your fridge. ☺

Happy Thanksgiving! Gobble~Gobble~Gobble

WINDY, RAINY, WINTRY WEATHER IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER...

In preparation, please read this Important News regarding our Text Message Notification System!!!!

The Child Care Administrative Office utilizes e-mail, our website, and a text message alert system in order to notify 2,500+ participants each school year in regard to the status of all of our Child Care programs (Pre-K, CEC, SACC & MSTG) during inclement weather and other emergency closings.

On August 10th each year, the *Text Message Notification System* is purged of all the previous year’s names and phone numbers. Therefore, after August 10th, we need you to re-register your information in order to receive text message alerts. Please go to the following link to sign up today: <http://www.aacounty.org/services-and-programs/child-care-emergency-text-alerts>