Dear Prospective Natick School’s Out Families,

Thank you for your interest in our School’s Out after school program where we focus on the needs of children ages kindergarten through 6th grade when they are not in school. During the afternoon program we provide structured activities for the kids that include homework help, physical exercise, and enrichment projects and experiments that build upon the school curriculum. In addition, kids enjoy a healthy snack when they are released from school. Children are split up into groups according to age and are engaged with the staff. We try to maintain a staff to child ratio of 1:10 for the safety and well-being of our kids.

Our Natick Site is located at East School, 90 Oak Street, Natick. The program serves kindergarten to sixth graders from Bennett-Hemenway, Brown, Lija, and Wilson schools. Transportation from school to our program is provided by a YMCA bus. Our after school program runs from school release to 6pm, this includes early release days.

We also provide a vacation day and snow day program for most school holidays and closures. The vacation and snow day programs run from 7:30am to 6pm and typically features field trips to various locations that are usually no more than an hour drive time.

We are EEC (Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care) licensed programs and are striving to improve and grow every year. We conduct an annual study known as the Surveys on Afterschool Youth Outcomes (SAYO) by observing students in our program to see our impact in their development in their daily lives. We invite you to share your feedback with us each year through our parent surveys.

We have a two-step enrollment process: submitting the completed the registration form with registration fee and completing the online enrollment documents through SchoolDoc. Once we have processed your registration form we will send an email with information explaining the SchoolDoc online enrollment process. Registration is on a first come first serve basis and the SchoolDoc enrollment information must be completed by August 1. Our intention of accepting applications on a first come first serve basis is to ensure we have enough staff to run meaningful, quality programs at the sites. Once we have processed your registration form we will send an email with information explaining the online enrollment process.

All past due balances with the MetroWest YMCA must be paid in order for your child to enroll in the program. All required documents including medical forms and medications must also be submitted before the first day of school in order for your child to attend.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. We look forward to having your child in our program!

Sincerely,

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