



Welcome to Aftercare! My name is Karen Forney, and I am the Director of the Aftercare Program here at St. Joseph's. I came to the Lab School from St. Joseph's School in Waite Park, where I worked for eleven years in their very successful Aftercare Program.

Here at St. Joseph Lab School, our program operates daily after school from 2:05 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. During the afternoon, we enjoy a variety of activities and also provide homework time for students whenever possible.

Students begin their afternoon with a healthy snack that is provided by the school. After Snack Time, the children move on to other activities such as Gym Time, Outside Playtime, time in the Computer Lab or Aftercare Room, or Homework Club, depending on the day's weather or other activities taking place in the building.

Our goal is to provide a fun, yet safe environment for the children after school where they can learn to make choices for themselves, as well as learn to share and play cooperatively with others when necessary.

The daily cost for an afternoon after school is as follows: For the first child, the cost is \$7.50. For the second child, the cost is \$7.00. For the third child, the cost is \$6.00.

The Aftercare Program is usually open on non-school days such as holiday breaks or workshop days. On these days, Aftercare is offered from 7:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. Students need to bring a lunch from home, since the school kitchen is closed, but an afternoon snack is provided by the school. We often schedule field trips or other special activities on these days, as well. These events may result in an additional cost for the day. (i.e. bus fees or activity fees)

The costs for Extended Days (All-Day care) are as follows: For the first child, the cost is \$18.00. For the second child, the cost is \$15.00. For the third child, the cost is \$13.00. We do have a half-day rate for students who only need to attend part of the day. (Less than four hours)

Our program is open to all students in grades K-6. To register your child/ren for Aftercare, please ask Linda Heinen in the School Office for the paperwork. There is a registration fee that will be added to your first bill. Bills come home every other week in the Thursday envelopes.

We would like to offer Aftercare during the summer months this year, if we have enough interested families to make it financially possible. Please keep us in mind when planning childcare for your children this summer.

If you have any questions, please call Karen at (320) 363-7769 ext. 202 or send an email message to: aftercare@churchstjoseph.org.