

Descriptor Term:
BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL

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The board recognizes the difficulties parents experience in providing supervision of students before and after regular school hours. It is the goal of the Board to make before and after school programs available on school campuses to students who are enrolled in grades kindergarten through sixth grade and to streamline these services so that all such programs are managed and operated by a single, non-profit organization. Except for those before or after school programs currently operating under a written contract with the board as of June 30, 2007, any and all before and after school programs available to students on any school campus within this system shall be operated and managed by one (1) single, non-profit organization. Effective June 1, 2007, any organization managing and operating any before or after school program at any school within this system (hereinafter referred to as "organization") shall:

1. enter into a written contract with the Board which is satisfactory to the Board;
2. at all times be licensed in accordance with federal and state law;
3. at all times operate and manage the before or after school programs in accordance with applicable state and federal regulations;
4. at all times comply with and ensure that its employees comply with all state and local safety regulations;
5. at all times comply with and ensure that all participants and employees of this organization and before and after school programs comply with all policies, rules and regulations of the Board and at all times strive to meet the missions of the Board;
6. at all times maintain a minimum four (4) star rating under the NC Division of Child Development's star rating license system;
7. at all times be financially self-sustaining;
8. in conjunction with the Board, develop rules and regulations to ensure the safety, order and proper administration and monitoring of the program which may be needed. One hundred and twenty (120) days before the first day of each school year, the organization shall provide copies of the rules and regulations which it develops to the Superintendent and each building administrator at which the program is operated or intends to operate. These rules and regulations must be approved by the Board prior to the beginning of each school year;
9. in conjunction with the Board, set fees required for a student's participation and enrollment. One hundred and twenty (120) days before the first day of each school year, the organization shall submit a proposed fee schedule to the Superintendent. Each fee schedule must be approved by the Board prior to the beginning of each school year;

10. at all times allow students who are enrolled in the school system in grades kindergarten through sixth to attend;
11. at all times and on all days designated by the Board, operate a before school program from 6:15 p.m. until the start of the school day;
12. at all times and on all days designated by the Board operate an after school program from the time school is dismissed until 6:00 p.m.;
13. at all times employ and designate an on-site program coordinator, employed by the organization to be present and responsible for supervision of students, employees and daily activities;
14. at all times employ a finance officer who shall oversee the financial operation of the program and shall keep all necessary records to maintain the fiscal integrity of the program within the organization's annual budget;
15. at all times require and ensure that on a daily basis each student is picked up and signed out by its parent or by someone designated by the student's parent;
16. at all times allow the Board, Superintendent or their designees to enter the premises of the program for the purpose of inspecting, monitoring and evaluating the program, its employees and its operation;
17. provide any information to the Board regarding the program and the organization as requested by the Board at any Board meetings and attend such Board meetings.

The Board shall at all times have the authority to establish additional procedures and guidelines for the before and after school programs and the organization shall at all times comply with such rules and regulations established by the Board.