

Greetings Bridge for Kids/Care 4 Kids Families,

We are entering a time of year when weather can be a factor for your child/ren's child care. This letter provides you with information on how Bridge for Kids is managed in the event there is a GSD school closure for any reason.

**1.) Entire School District Closes Due to Weather/Emergency Situation (decision made by GSD by 5:45 a.m.):**

- Bridge for Kids will open one site (at Canterbury Elementary, 7000 Enfield).
- All students enrolled in Bridge for Kids may attend, whether you have pre-registered for this date or not. Non-registered attendees (for the day) will be invoiced (\$41.00), and those already registered for care on this date will be invoiced the difference based on what you had already paid for.
- Credits are only issued if we are unable to provide full day care-**See exception.**
- Children should bring a bag lunch and beverage.
- If the child/ren require any medications, you will need to bring with you to the site, inform the staff, and fill out the medication administration form at the site.
- Care will be available for a 10-hour period (max) between 6:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.
- If you have a sibling in the Care 4 Kids child care program, this program is closed and there is no care available.

**Exception (which will mean that there is NO Care Available)** to this plan would be:

- We receive an advisory from the Village's DPW stating that people should stay off the roads.
- DPW is unable to keep up with the severity of the weather.
- GSD Maintenance staff would be unable to keep the school grounds open due to the volume.

**2.) Specific School Closes Due to Emergency Circumstances:**

- At this time we are unable to provide care.

**3.) GSD Closes School Early/Opens Later (due to weather/circumstances):**

- Bridge for Kids will be open as usual at 6:30 a.m. until school begins and/or from the early dismissal of the school day until 6:00 p.m. Again, whether registered to attend that day or not, if needing care, send the child and the department will provide an invoice for the cost of care (depending on how long of a timeframe is involved), less any amount already paid.
- The same will apply to Care 4 Kids – This program will be available in this situation for the children, whether enrolled for the day or not, they may attend and you will be invoiced later.
- Unfortunately, **early closure** care is not available for the **Middle School** program registrants.

**This information is being provided in the event that a message from the school district regarding a change in the school schedule due to weather or another situation is sent.** Park and Recreation will not send a separate communication in the event of a school closure or change.

We know child care is important for your family, so please know we are working hard to provide this service to you to the best of our ability!

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