Summer Learning – 2025

School Board Presentation, Sept. 18, 2025

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Credit Recovery: June 16-27

- Credit Recovery is coordinated by South Washington Alternative High School
  - 467 students participated
    - 567 credits earned over the course of the summer
      - Park High School: 118 credits earned
      - Woodbury High School: 256 credits earned
      - East Ridge High School: 144 credits earned
      - South Washington Alternative High School: 48 credits earned
      - SoWashCo Online: 1 credit earned
- Staffing
  - 4 Site leads
  - 46 teachers

Extended School Year
Summer 2025

Andrew Bowes, Kris Carlson, and Mary Watts
Special Education Coordinators

Extended School Year (ESY)

- Programs ran Monday-Thursday from July 14–31
  - **Early Childhood** 8-9:45 a.m. and 10:15 a.m.-noon
    - District Program Center
  - **Elementary** 8-11 a.m.
    - Grey Cloud Elementary School
    - Cottage Grove Elementary School
  - **Secondary** 9 a.m.-noon
    - Cottage Grove Middle School
    - East Ridge High School
    - Pathways

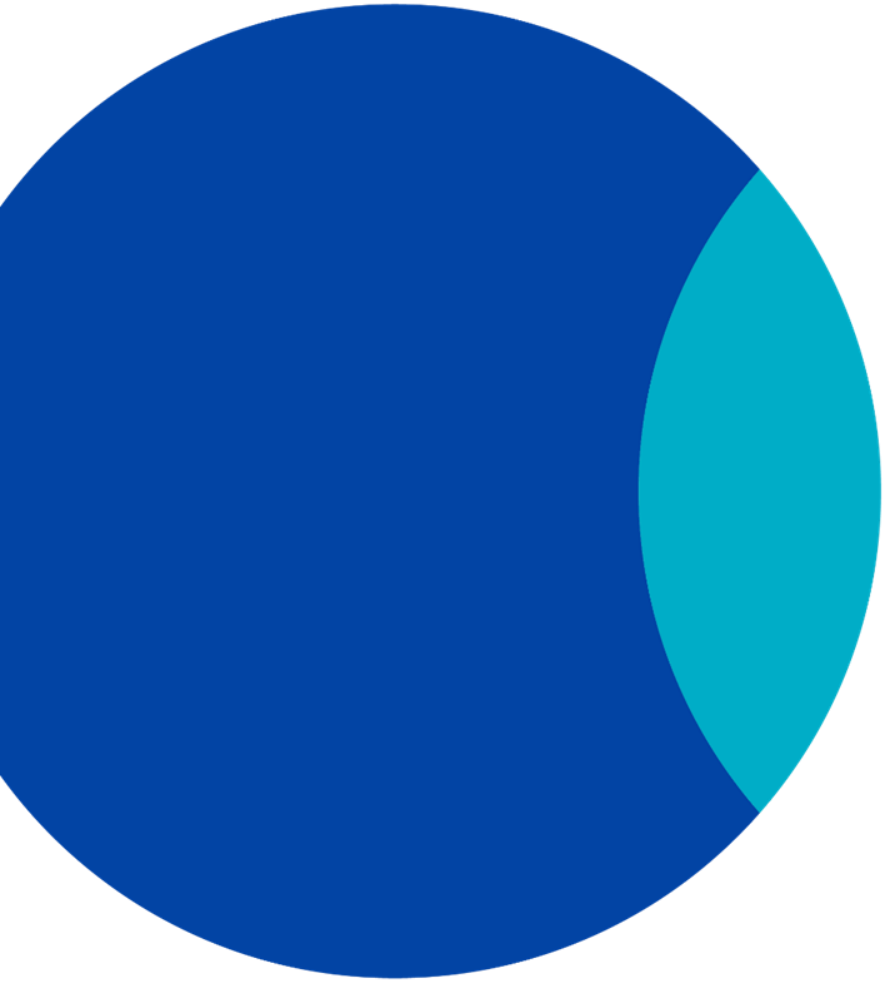
ESY Enrollment and Eligibility

- 402 students were enrolled in ESY services from Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE)-Transition
- Students are eligible for ESY services based on criteria related to goal progress and individual learning needs
- Individualized Education Plan (IEP) teams make eligibility determinations and decisions about the services provided during ESY

ESY Instruction and Services

- Students received direct instruction in academic, social-emotional, behavioral and transition areas related to individual goals.

- Services were provided to meet identified access and learning needs of our students
  - Health Services
  - Speech and language
  - Physical therapy
  - Occupational therapy
  - Blind/Visual Impairment



Project and Experiential Learning

- Students participated in project-based learning through prepared activities designed to enhance instruction and the classroom experience

- Transition-aged students (High School-age 22) worked and learned through partnership with Goodwill EasterSeals MN and SoWashCo departments (Facilities, Technology and Nutrition Services)

Looking Ahead to 2026

- Three weeks of programming
- Continued engagement in eligibility determinations and goal progress for students
- Continued collaboration and partnership with Targeted Services and Kids Club to meet the unique needs of students in all settings
- Continued focus on engaging classroom practices/experiences with high-quality instruction to target specific goal areas

2025 Targeted Services Summer School

2025 Targeted Services Summer School Schedule & Locations

Targeted Services ran Monday-Thursday July 7 – 31

- Elementary 8 a.m.- 2 p.m.
  - Bailey Elementary School
  - Cottage Grove Elementary School
- Middle School 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
  - Cottage Grove Middle School

Targeted Services Summer School Enrollment				
	2025	**2024**	**2023**	**2022**
Elementary	667	669	540	521
Middle School	259	298	105	159
Total	926	967	645	680

Elementary Program

- **Literacy:** ARC Research Units
- **Math:** Bridges and Dreambox
- **Social Emotional Learning (SEL)**: Character Strong SEL resource
- **Science:** STEM Connect– Discovery Education
- Breakfast and Lunch

Middle School Program

- 3-Period Day with Home Base and Lunch
  - Math
  - English Language Arts
  - Elective
- Project-based Learning
- STEM Challenges
- Breakfast and Lunch

Looking Ahead to 2026

- Looking at scheduling and timing of programming
- Eligibility criteria may be adjusted based on capacity
- Increased enrollment
- Continued focus on highly engaging, activity-based curriculum and positive relationships

Kids Club Summer 25

Amy Brengman, OST Program Manager

School Age Child Care

Service Hours & Locations

Summer Care

- Closed five days before/after summer
- Four sites
- 195 students per site, per day
    - Grey Cloud Elementary School
    - Crestview Elementary School
    - Liberty Ridge Elementary School
    - Woodbury Elementary School/Woodbury Middle School
        - Rotate depending upon construction and other summer program needs.

Monday-Friday from 6:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Summer: 402,500 summer contact hours.

School year: 1,516 Kids Club contact hours per full-time student annually

- 1,053 school day contact hours/year

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Participants



Current Grades K-5

Summer Care

- Completed Kindergarten - Going into 6th grade

SoWashCo Students - Summer

- SoWashCo Schools - priority
- Other students as space allows

Inclusion

- 1:15 Ratio with Reduced Ratio staff as needed
- Site Support Strategies for students with plans
- Medications and student action plans
- Delegated procedures by licensed district nurses
    - Nurses hired as required for student support - procedures

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Funding

Fee-based, parent funded

- County tuition reimbursement for those who qualify
- Military discount
- Educational Benefits discount
- Sibling discount

Extended Day Levy

- Inclusion support
- Qualifying staff and items to support student needs and temporary circumstances

Great Start Compensation Support Payment Program

- Purpose: Stabilize Childcare
- Funds for staff compensation - working with kids, hours for each person entered monthly.
- State funded under state & federal guidelines
- Must be certified

Quality

Certified through state of Minnesota

- All sites (School Year and Summer)
- Health and safety
- Annual inspections
- Annual training requirements
- Required federal fingerprint background check every 5 years (inspected)

Accredited through Ignite Afterschool in accordance with Minnesota state standards

- Ongoing Process
  - 23-24: BES, WES
  - 24-25: CGES, GCES, NES, NFSI, PHES
  - 25-26: CES, PES, ROES, VCES
  - 26-27: RRES, LRES, AES, HES
- Quality practices compliment certification

Continuous Program Improvement Process

- ALL sites annually

Quality



Staffing *(does not include subs)*
Summer - 175

Investing in our Team - Staff Training

- 6 hours required annually by State
  - Health and safety
  - Recorded and Inspected before with students

- In person sessions
  - Basic Training - Paras
  - On-site orientations
  - All program welcome to summer
  - New staff orientation to Kids Club

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Quality



8 Learning Areas

Kids Club

We believe that kids need...

What Kids Need

Kids Club Leadership Team

Spring 2023 – Emily Holder Trainings

Reflective time
Intentional activities
Team building
Problem solving
Responsibility
Encouragement
New experiences
Safe to make mistakes
Exploration
Outdoor experiences
Purpose in what they are doing
To be of service to community
Imagination
Ability to contribute
Exciting activities
Independence
Movement
Play time
SEL skills
Youth Voice/Input
Choice
Healthy Foods
Challenge
Leadership Opportunities
Creativity
Mastery
8 Learning areas
Hands-on experience
Long term activities
Fun
Age-appropriate activities & supplies

This list was developed by identifying the skills and experiences that kids need when in Kids Club. Staff work to include these skills within activities and/or within the delivery of the activities.

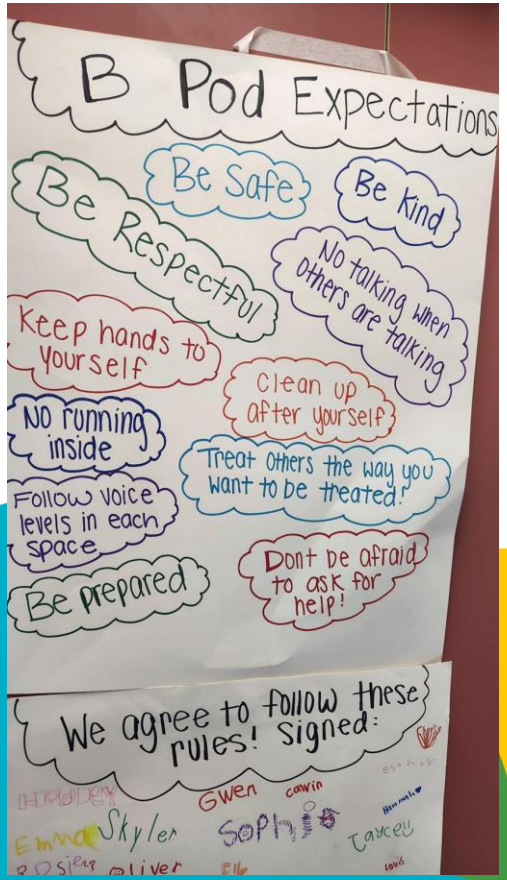
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ALL KIDS

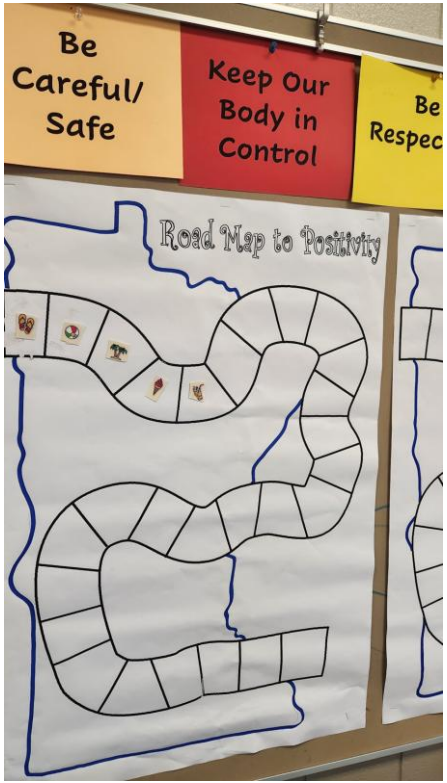
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Consistent expectations, routines and a focus on the positive!

Conscious Discipline

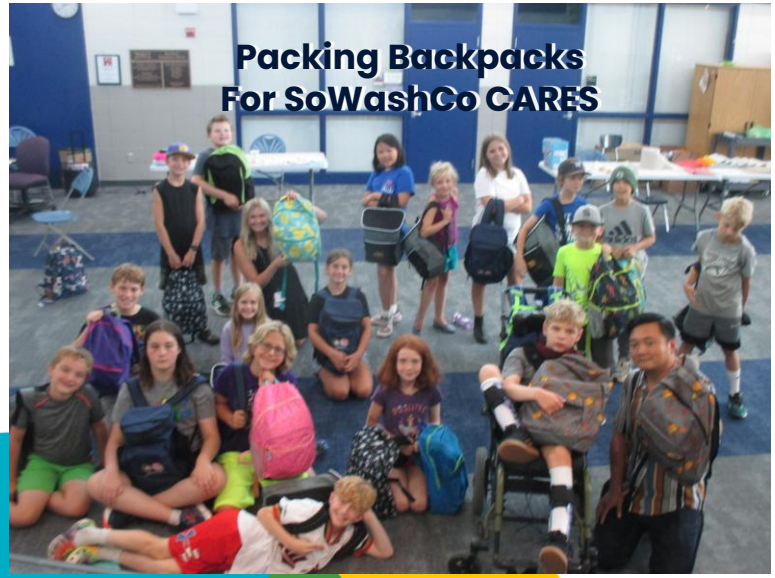






We believe that kids need...

Service and community connection





We believe that kids need...

Meaningful roles and long term goals

Summer Bucket Gardens



Everyday Leaders







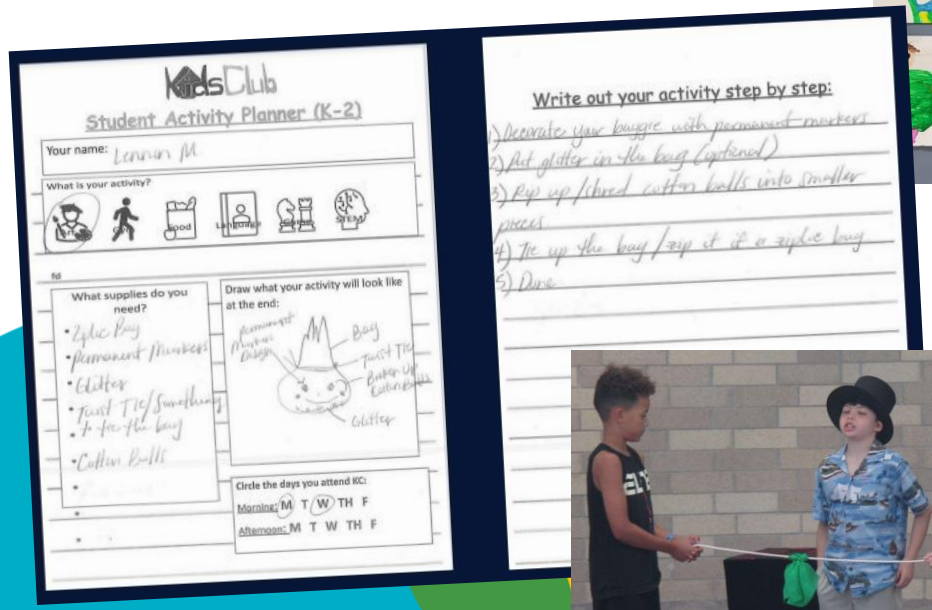
Design Process & Long Term Activities

We believe that kids need...

Challenge, Voice & Choice

Student Planners
Art About Me, Talent Shows, choosing activities







We believe that kids need...

Exploration and learning







Field Trips

We believe that kids need...
FUN!





Any Questions?