

Neodesha After School Program

The Neodesha After School Program began in August 2016. It is funded through a 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant with additional assistance from several local community partners.

This program supports the creation of community learning centers that provide academic enrichment opportunities during non-school hours for children, particularly students who attend high-poverty and low-performing schools. The program helps students meet state and local student standards in core academic subjects, such as reading and math; offers students a broad array of enrichment activities that can complement their regular academic programs; and offers literacy and other educational services to the families of participating children.

There is a total capacity number of 150 students that we have the ability to serve, with an average of 130 students per day. We are in operation Monday through Thursday from 3:25 pm – 5:25 pm.

The program begins immediately after school dismisses. Heller students go directly to the cafeteria and North Lawn students will ride the bus to Heller. Healthy snacks are served and some type of physical fitness activity is completed in the first 30 minutes of the program. Students are then released to classrooms to either read or work on uncompleted homework for the next 35 minutes with certified teacher and para-professionals. Even though 35 minutes is allotted, all homework might not be completed during this time, and will need to be finished with parent assistance at home.

The final 45 minutes is spent in various enrichment clubs. It allows exposure to areas that sometimes are not available to the student at any other time. “Clubs” are offered on certain evenings for particular grade levels and are available until the maximum number is reached. Specific clubs will change each semester.

There is \$25.00 fee per semester per child, and it is due at the beginning of each semester. Scholarships are available so no child, due to finances, is denied attendance.

Please notify us if you have any questions about the Neodesha After School Program.

Respectfully yours,

Heather Newton
Program Director

