

WOODLIN AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS DISMISSAL POLICIES AND EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

1. People and contact details

- **On Site Clubs Coordinator: Adrea Benedetti, Email: woodlinosc@littlescholarsllc.com**

Mr. Benedetti is available during club hours, from 3:15pm to 5:00pm and/or until all children are dismissed. He is in charge of making sure students find their club classroom, resolving any issues that may arise during club hours, and dismissing students in a safe and orderly way.

- If you have an emergency during club hours or need to change your child's dismissal plans in advance, please contact Mr. Benedetti ASAP. He will be checking email during club hours. Make sure you include a phone number where you may be reached.
 - If you know your child needs to be picked up before the end of clubs, that child should skip clubs that day and be dismissed at 3:25pm like on a non-club day.
- **Little Scholars Coordinator: Jennifer Nolen Email: jnolen@littlescholarsllc.com Phone: 703-259-3434**
Ms. Nolen is the overall clubs coordinator. She is not on site but will be checking email on a regular basis during club hours. If you need to change your child's dismissal plans or have an emergency, please also contact Ms. Nolen asap. Make sure you include a phone number where you may be reached.
You can also email Jennifer Nolen with any other (non-emergency) questions regarding clubs, at any time.
- **PTA After School Clubs Volunteers: Email: WoodlinClubs@gmail.com**
This email is for *non-emergency questions only* as it is not checked on a regular basis. You can email us with comments or suggestions and/or to request a scholarship.
- **Activity Buses / Randolph Bus Depot: Email: fieldtrips@mcpsmd.org Phone: 301-444-8610**
Senior Coordinator: Ms. Georgia Cornell. Office Hours: 7:30 am to 5:30 pm. Monday-Friday.

2. When you should reach out:

Questions about registration: email Jennifer Nolen.

Change of dismissal plans: email Jennifer Nolen *and* Adrea Benedetti.

Emergencies: reach out to Jennifer Nolen *and* Adrea Benedetti. DO NOT contact the school front office as they are not responsible for clubs.

3. Dismissal procedures and policies: Walkers, Parent Pick-Ups, KAH, Woodlin CDC

- When does the after school program end?
Students will be dismissed at **4:40-4:45pm** from the after school programs.
- My child is a walker, what do I need to know?
Walkers will be dismissed by the teacher at the same time as the parent pick up students are dismissed.
- My child goes to Woodlin CDC or KAH, what do I need to know?
Your child will be escorted to meet the CDC/KAH staff member on site.
- I am picking my child up from Woodlin after class, what do I need to know?
Parents are not permitted to enter Woodlin. Please wait outside of the school and the teacher will dismiss the children from there.
- What happens if I am running late?
Children who have not been picked up by **4:45pm** will be considered a late pick up. The on-site coordinator will call the emergency contacts listed on your child's registration form. If the child has not been picked up one hour after the end of class, the coordinator will contact the police. If a child is picked up late more than twice they will be removed from the program without a refund.
If you are running late due to a *serious and unavoidable emergency* please make sure you get in touch with Adrea Benedetti and Jennifer Nolen immediately.

4. Dismissal procedures and policies: BUS RIDERS

- When do buses depart from Woodlin?
Bus riders will board buses at approximately 4:40pm and leave the school at approximately **4:45pm**.

- What happens if buses depart from Woodlin late?

Activity buses are usually parked and waiting outside the school at approximately 4:35pm. Depending on traffic and weather conditions there might be minor delays in boarding and departure. Major delays are, however, extremely rare.

In the highly unlikely event that buses do not show at the school on time and/or depart with a substantial delay, the on site coordinator, Adrea Benedetti, will remain at the school with the students until all children are safely dismissed and the buses have left.

- What happens if a parent or guardian is not at the bus stop?

YOU MUST MEET YOUR CHILD AT THE BUS STOP selected by you when registering for clubs! If a parent or guardian is not at the bus stop to get your child, the bus driver will most likely return your child to Woodlin, but please note that this is at the driver's discretion and is not a written policy. If the school is not open or other events prevent the bus driver from returning to Woodlin, the only alternative the driver will have is to contact the police.

According to MCPS Bus Depot regulations:

*"The same guidelines apply to students riding on activity buses as do for regular-ed students regarding being met by a parent, or caregiver. **It is the responsibility of the parent or caregiver to meet the bus.** The bus will not wait, since it's on a schedule that other students and parents are relying on. (If a student appears troubled, or lost the driver will not leave the student.)"*

- What happens if a child does not get off a bus and is returned to Woodlin?

Should a child be returned to Woodlin, it will happen sometime after 5:00pm when the bus has completed its route. The school will most likely be open but **there is no clubs coordinator present at that time.** The bus driver might be willing to wait for a little while with the child but **this is not guaranteed** and the child might have to wait at the school on their own until a parent or caregiver picks them up.

If you have an emergency and you missed your child at the bus stop, it is quite likely that your child is coming back to the school and you can meet them there. Our three bus drivers have agreed to return to the school in those cases. However, please remember that, depending on various circumstances, the bus driver might not be able to return to Woodlin and might have to contact the police.

If you find yourself in such a situation, your best bet is to *go straight to the school and wait for the bus there.* You may contact Adrea Benedetti and Jennifer Nolen. They will not be on site at that time but they will do their best to assist you and reach out to PTA volunteers to assist as well. You may also want to contact the Bus Depot directly (see phone number and hours in the first page).

*****IMPORTANT***** Should there be an emergency with a child who did not get off the bus and is coming back to Woodlin, Little Scholars and the PTA volunteers will be happy to talk with the parents and try to assist them in any way they can. However, **it is the parents responsibility to ensure someone is at the bus stop to meet their children when the bus arrives.**

- Where can I find a list of bus stops?

See below. You can also check the flyer, Little Scholars website or the PTA website.

Bus A

- Stop 1- Loving Care Day Care
- Stop 2- Park Sutton, 16th St & Lyttonville
- Stop 3- Suburban Towers, 8600 16th St
- Stop 4- Summit Hills, 8500/8504 16th St
- Stop 5- Coffield Community Ctr, 2450 Lyttonville Rd
- Stop 6- Chevy Chase Condo Community, 1705 East-West Hwy
- Stop 7- East-West Hwy & Cary Lane
- Stop 8- Lenox Park Apts, 1400 E-W Hwy
- Stop 9- 8309 16th St
- Stop 10- 8409 16th St

Bus B

- Stop 1- Linden Ln & Dewitt Dr
- Stop 2- Linden Ln & Warren St
- Stop 3- Osborn Dr & Warren St
- Stop 4- Riley Rd & 2nd Ave
- Stop 5- Highland Drive & Watson Rd
- Stop 6- Dale Drive & Harvey Rd
- Stop 7- Dale Drive & Midwood Dr
- Stop 8- Red Oak & Columbia Blvd
- Stop 9- Flora Lane & Flora Court
- Stop 10- Flora Lane & Woodland Dr

Bus C

- Stop 1- 2nd Ave & Noyes Drive
- Stop 2- Woodside Child Care, 1st Ave
- Stop 3- The Point Apts, 1st Ave & Fenwick
- Stop 4- 2nd Ave & Cameron St
- Stop 5- Twin Towers Apts, Fidler & Ramsey
- Stop 6- 8724 Cameron St
- Stop 7- Noyes Dr & Fairview
- Stop 8- Woodland Dr & Ballard
- Stop 9- Woodland Dr & Woodside Pkwy
- Stop 10- Woodland Dr & Grace Church Rd

4. Responsibilities

- Little Scholars is responsible for the organization and running of after-school clubs, including the well-being of students during club hours, up until the moment students are dismissed following their parents' directives.
- Should a student have a problem during club hours (for example, the child feels sick), Adrea Benedetti will call the emergency contact numbers listed at the time of registration.

- **Once students have been properly dismissed** by whichever option their parents have chosen (bus, walking, pick up, etc.) and are outside the school, **Little Scholars and the PTA after-school clubs volunteers are NOT**

responsible for children's safety. Especially in the case of walkers and bus riders, it is the **parents responsibility** to make sure children are safe and able to reach their destination.

Please keep a copy of these guidelines and emergency contact information.