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**4-H Camp & Learning Center**

**at Blueberry Cove**

**St. George After School, grades K – 5**

**Schedule**

The After School Program follows the [St. George School Calendar](https://core-docs.s3.us-east-1.amazonaws.com/documents/asset/uploaded_file/600/St_George/4462529/StGMSU_Calendar_2024-2025__FINAL_5-22-2024_.pdf) (2025-2026 calendar not available yet). If the St. George School is closed for any reason (vacation, teacher workshop, snow day, etc.), there will not be an After School Program that day. There will **not be** an After School program if students are released early due to inclement weather (snow days). If the school cancels its after school activities, these after school programs will also be canceled.

The After School Program will happen at Blueberry Cove from:

* **End of school (2:30) to 5:30 p.m**. **Monday – Thursday** on regular full school days. Please let us know in advance if you plan to pick up your student before 4:30 p.m. On scheduled **early release days programs run from 12:30 – 3:30 p.m.** There will not be any extended aftercare. **There is no After School Program on Fridays.**

**If you have any questions about the After School Program or need to notify us of other changes to your student’s schedule, please call 207-491-6537 or the main office at 207-789-5868.**

**Program Description**

At Blueberry Cove it is our goal to offer youth outdoor experiences that lead to a lifelong love of the outdoors. We believe all children should experience the joys and wonder of nature.

Our after school programs will help develop a connection to the outdoors, create new friendships and build new skills that last a lifetime! Each day there will be plenty of time to simply play, explore and discover the wonders of nature!

Activities will vary and may include playing large inclusive group games, building shelters, creative arts, STEM lessons, making ice cream and building fairy houses. We may also visit Blueberry Cove’s animals and harvest fruits and vegetables from the garden or spend the afternoon at the beach searching for treasures, crabbing, and lots more!

**Typical Afternoon**

2:45 pm – Arrive at Blueberry Cove

2:45-3:15 pm – Recess/Free play

3:15-3:30 pm – Snack

3:30-4:30 pm – Activity / Enrichment (including off-site field trips)

4:30-5:30 pm – Pickup Window; wind down time until pick up (board games, reading, drawing, homework)

**Fees 2025 – 2026**

Annual tuition can be paid in full at enrollment or in 9 monthly installments. The first installment is due at registration.

* **4-Day option:** Monday-Thursday | $4,500/school year ($500/month)
* **2-Day option:** Any two days in the week | $2,550/school year
  + Please let us know when your child will be attending at least 2 days in advance.
  + **\*Please note this option is not available for 2025-2026 at this time.**

**Additional Program Policies and FAQs**

**Snacks:**

* A snack will be provided during the program.
* Please make sure you let us know about any food allergies or dietary restrictions on the health form when registering!

**Days of Operation:**

* The after-school program follows the St. George School calendar Monday – Thursday, there is no after-school program on Friday.
* There will be no after-school programming on days that St. George School is not in session, including vacations, teacher workshops, and snow days.
* The after-school program will not operate on early release days due to weather.

**Medications:**

* We will not dispense medications to students except Epi-pens and emergency inhalers.
* If your child requires an Epi-pen or inhaler, specific action plan forms are required. These forms must be fully completed and returned before your child can attend the after-school program.
  + Parents/Guardians are responsible for providing the after-school program with unexpired medications in their original, labeled containers
  + Should the medications expire during the school year, they must be replaced right away. If the medications expire, the child will not be allowed to attend the program until they are replaced.
* Our staff is trained in basic first aid and will have a first aid kit on hand for any incident that arises. Any incident will be documented and parents/guardians will be notified about any incident requiring more than basic first aid care.

**Attendance / Illness:**

* Students may not attend the program if they did not attend school that day or were sent home from school for behavior problems or illness.
* You are responsible for the monthly fee whether your child attends or not (illness, behavior or other schedule conflicts).
* If your student will not be attending the after-school program for any reason, **you** must notify the program director by noon on that day. **School employees are not responsible for notifying the after-school program that a student will not be attending!**
* Parents are responsible for notifying the school that their student is attending the after-school program.
* Students who are ill may not attend the program. This includes fever, diarrhea, vomiting, excessive congestion, and any contagious illness.
* If your student becomes ill at school, they may not attend the after-school program and must be picked up at school and not from the after-school program.
* If your student becomes ill during the after-school program, you will be notified to pick them up as soon as possible but no longer than 30 minutes.
* Students must be fever-free (without the use of medications) and have had no bouts of vomiting or diarrhea for 24 hours before returning to the program.

**Pick Up Policy:**

* You must sign out your student when you pick them up and notify a staff member that you are leaving. Do not send in another child to pick up your student.
* Students will only be released to people specified as alternate pick-ups in the registration system. Any changes must be in writing or made in the registration system.
* Anyone other than the parent or guardian will need to provide photo identification to sign out a student.
* Students must be picked up at Blueberry Cove by 5:30 p.m. (3:30 on scheduled early release days.)  If you are more than 10 minutes late for pick up, staff will call people from emergency contact or authorized pick-up lists to come and pick up your student.
* If a student is not picked up by 6 p.m. (4 p.m. on scheduled early release days) and attempts to contact parents, guardians, or emergency contacts have been unsuccessful, the police will be notified.

**Releasing Students to Visibly Impaired People:**

* The safety of the students in our program is our number one concern. We feel this extends through the release of the student to their parent/guardian at the end of each day.
* If a parent/guardian or other approved pick-up person arrives to pick up a student and exhibits behavior such as slurred or incoherent speech, difficulty walking or other unusual behaviors that may indicate the use of drugs and/or alcohol, staff will take the following actions:
  + The staff member will inform the person of their concerns and discuss those concerns.
  + The staff member will inquire about the person’s means of transportation for the student.
  + The staff member will notify their supervisor of the situation.
  + The staff member will call emergency contacts to provide an alternative pick-up for the student.
  + If the person insists on driving in an impaired condition, the staff will inform them that they will call the police and give the name of the driver and passengers, vehicle information, home address, and their concern that the student is in danger.
  + A call will also be made to the Department of Health and Human Services.
  + The Director will telephone the parent/guardian the next day to arrange a meeting which will include the staff member, to discuss the incident and review the policy.
  + A second incident will result in the ending of the after-school services for that family.

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