

To: All Westhill BASCOL Parents/Guardians

From: Chere Petrivelli, Executive Director

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RE: SNOW DAYS

As winter approaches, this is a reminder of how BASCOL operates for all registered BASCOL children when normal school hours are altered due to weather or other conditions. The following highlights are BASCOL's procedures during these special days when the weather is too severe for school to continue, but great for an exciting special day at BASCOL.

<u>Please Note: Additional Fees for Extended Child Care hours may apply. Please see</u> your BASCOL Parent Handbook.

IF there is a delay in the time school opens:

THEN:

- BASCOL opens at 6:30 am at St. Ann's School and remains open with activities and programming until the time the school day begins.
- <u>BASCOL can only guarantee room for a child who is regularly</u> <u>scheduled for that morning.</u> <u>If your child does not attend all mornings,</u> <u>attends after school only or is SHO PLUS, we cannot guarantee room</u> <u>for your child on a school delay</u>. You will need to call the BASCOL Office at 7:30 am to see if we have space to add your child to our program. If you show up at the site without calling the BASCOL Office first, your child may not be able to stay due to maintaining staff to child ratio.
- Walberta Park, Cherry Road and OHMS children will be bussed, by the district, from St. Ann's School to their home school in time for school to start.

IF the district decides that school will not open due to snow or other conditions prior to the start of school:

THEN: BASCOL is OPEN to all registered BASCOL children from 6:30 am until 6:00 pm at St. Ann's School.

- Please pack a lunch, including a beverage for your child.
- BASCOL will serve a morning snack and afternoon snack as usual.

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• Please pack outdoor clothing for your child. The temperature outside dictates how long we play outside, but we usually go outside, even if for just a few minutes, to play in the snow. Hats, gloves or mittens, snowsuit, boots, extra socks and pants are needed to ensure your child is warm and dressed appropriately for outdoor play. Please be sure to pack these for your child every time there is a snow day **and daily at BASCOL during snowy months.**

IF the school district calls for early dismissal once school has begun:

THEN:

- Walberta Park, Cherry Road and OHMS children will be transported by District busses to St. Ann's School. BASCOL Staff will be at St. Ann's when the bus arrives to take attendance and be with your child as the snow day fun begins!
- BASCOL can only guarantee room for a child who is regularly scheduled for that afternoon. If your child does not attend all afternoons, attends before school only or is SHO PLUS, we cannot guarantee room for your child on an early dismissal.

BASCOL is open at 6:30 am until 6:00 pm whenever school is closed or normal school hours are altered. However, in case of an extreme emergency, if BASCOL were to delay or close, it would be announced on local television and radio stations, as follows;

TV stations = WSTM-TV3, WTVH-TV5, & 9WSYR. Radio stations = Y94, WHEN, 107.9, B104.7 and WSYR.

Please feel free to contact the BASCOL Office @ 315-622-4815, if you have any questions, comments or concerns.