

Christian Education & Behavior Reward/Discipline Summary

After School Program 2024-2025

Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays from 4:00–4:25pm during the school year, the **Elementary Age** will have Christian Education class. Christian Education class will be split into upper & lower Elementary groups. This school year, we will be using the “Walk This Way: Object Lessons on Ethics” & “What God is Saying: Object Lessons From the Prophets for Kids” curriculums to start. The “*What God*” curriculums are age appropriate for Elementary age students and uses Bible explorations, fun discussions, engaging games, & captivating activities. We will supplement our Christian Education curriculum with seasonal lessons, Bible Trivia, Christian Education videos, and Community Service Projects.

The **Middle School** Program will have Christian Education every **Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday** from **3:30–3:45pm** throughout the school year. The Middle School will be using various age-appropriate devotions, such as “*Fearless Faith: 90 Devotions for Teens*” & resources for Middle School Students. Staff will also supplement Christian Education with seasonal/special lessons, Bible Trivia, Christian Education videos, and Community Service Projects.

Discipline/Behavior Reward Summary: We utilize “Time Outs” as our main behavioral modification tool. Time Outs involve temporarily separating a child from an environment where unacceptable behavior has occurred. They will then go to our “Time Out” area during Centers, Outside play, etc. Children’s time-out period will be based on their age (i.e. a 10yr old will have a 10 minute timeout). If unacceptable behavior occurs frequently or is extreme, we will utilize others methods, such as restrictions on privileges, being sent to the Director’s office, and parent involvement. We strive to maintain an open line of communication with parents/guardians in regard to their child’s behaviors.

This school year, we will be also using a visual warning system with our time-outs. *Description below:*

- **Green Slip** = At the beginning of every new day all kids will begin with a green slip.
- **Yellow Slip** = If or when a child does something they are not supposed to – talking on red cup, disrupting a teacher whilst giving instructions etc. – they are to move their green slip to yellow, which is their first warning.
- **Red Slip** = If a child continues negative behavior then they will move their slip from yellow to red. When a child gets a red slip, they are to do a timeout.
- **Going Back to Green** = After a child does their time out, they can move their card back to green. When the child moves back to green the process starts over.

We will also be using “Oak Forest Acorns” for our behavior reward system. Each child will have an Oak tree with their name on it in our main classroom. If they demonstrate good behavior throughout the week (i.e. helpful to staff, following instructions, kind/helpful to other students, etc.). They will be rewarded with an ACORN. If your child has an ACORN at the end of the week they will be rewarded with candy or popsicles. Each week, two students (a Teacher’s Choice & the child with the most ACORNS during the week) will be given a larger prize.