

## **Barrington Elementary After School Enrichment (ASE) Frequently Asked Questions**

### **What is After School Enrichment (ASE)?**

ASE is a Barrington PTO sponsored program designed to offer additional experiences to your students to enhance their learning while raising funds for the PTO. While the Barrington PTO ASE leads registration, the program is run by instructors and professionals in the community who manage each class individually. Any overall ASE program questions should be directed to [barringtonase@gmail.com](mailto:barringtonase@gmail.com) and any class specific questions should be directed to the individual class instructor.

### **When and where is my student's ASE class?**

ASE classes are either onsite at Barrington Elementary or offsite at area businesses. The number of weeks and time varies class to class. Due to room scheduling and days that there is no school, classes are not always consecutive weeks. Please mark your calendars accordingly!

### **How does my student get to class?**

Students participating in ASE are dismissed after school at 2:45/2:50pm and meet in the Media Center/Library. The PTO has hired an ASE Aide that will meet students in the media center at this time. During this time, students are welcome to have a quick snack (if they bring one from home). At 3:00pm, the ASE aide will help to get students to their classes. Since there are 5 different courses and over 100 students that may participate in ASE on any given day, ensuring students get to class, especially at the beginning of a session, is a group effort. Please remind your student on the days they have ASE. Teachers are provided an ASE master list to help remind students to dismiss to the Media Center/Library for ASE.

### **Is snack provided?**

Snack is not provided by ASE. Students are welcome to bring a snack from home and will have a few minutes to eat this snack in the media center/ library before their classes begin. Due to the number of students in ASE and the inability to manage individual allergies, snacks need to be free from food allergens. ASE students can ONLY bring the following snacks:

- Fresh fruits of vegetables (no dip)
- Applesauce pouch or squeeze
- Snyder's of Hanover or Rold Gold mini pretzels
- Barnum's Animal Crackers
- Teddy Grahams

### **How are students dismissed after ASE classes?**

There are 3 options for dismissal from ASE classes.

1. Adult pickup. Students are dismissed from the Breezeway doors on Barrington Road. Parents/caregivers can line up in the Barrington Stop, Drop and Go line or park and walk to the doors.
2. SACC enrolled students. Students enrolled in SACC are dismissed back to SACC at the end of an ASE class.
3. Student walk/bike home.

As part of the registration process, you are asked to indicate the student's dismissal plan. Should this plan change, please notify the ASE class instructor via email. Repeated late pick-ups or failure to pick up will result in student's removal from ASE.

**What if school is closed or we have an early release day?**

If school is canceled for any reason (i.e. inclement weather) ASE will also be canceled. ASE is not offered on early release days (with exception of Wendy's special early release programs). ASE is also not offered on parent teacher conference days and Halloween.

**What do I do if my student needs to miss class?**

All communications regarding your individual student and the class need to be sent to the instructors directly. If your student needs to miss ASE for any reason, please email the instructor directly as soon as you are aware. Instructor email addresses are included in a welcome email that you will receive prior to the start of ASE classes.

**What if an instructor needs to cancel class?**

While instructors aim to hold class on every scheduled date, there may be a case where inclement weather or instructor illness require class to be canceled. In the event an instructor must cancel a class, parents/caregivers will be notified as soon as possible via email or text. Due to the nature of ASE, we cannot keep your student at school during the normally scheduled class without an instructor. Your student will need to be picked up at the normal dismissal time.

**My student's class is taking place offsite. What does that mean?**

Due to specific space requirements or equipment needs, some of our ASE classes take place offsite. In those cases, your student should follow their regular dismissal plan. It is your responsibility to arrange transportation to and from the course location. Offsite classes are noted as such in the course catalog.

**Where do I find the contact information for my child's instructor?**

Instructor email addresses, as well as email addresses for the ASE committee members, can be found in the in a welcome email that you will receive prior to the start of ASE classes.

**I submitted a waitlist request during registration. Now what?**

If you submit a waitlist request, you will only be notified if a spot becomes available. All waitlist requests are processed in the order of the registration timestamp.

**What happens if there is severe weather?**

ASE follows all district guidance for severe weather. If severe weather strikes during an ASE course, students will shelter as directed by school personnel. If parents/caregivers arrive to pick up while the shelter in place is in effect, they must come to the main office. Students will not be allowed to exit while sheltering without explicit parent consent.

Please refer to the district policy for additional severe weather questions:

<https://www.uaschools.org/DelayClosingInformation.aspx>

**How is behavior managed at ASE?**

We expect all students enrolled in ASE classes to demonstrate the same behaviors and respect as they do during the school day, being a Bobcat extends beyond the school day. If an ASE instructor is experiencing issues with a student's behavior they will be asked to document this and send to the caregiver/ parent. We encourage caregivers and instructors to work together on these issues. If a student has repeat behavior challenges that are disrupting the class, the instructor may ask that this student be removed from the class.

**What if my child needs paraprofessional support for ASE?**

If your child has paraprofessional support during the school day, please work with the building principals to make accommodations and/or assess the need for support during ASE.