Dawson-Boyd School Board

Monday, May 11, 2026 Regular Meeting Time - 5:30 p.m.

Dawson-Boyd Board Room

Monthly Board Meeting

Google Meet joining info:

One or more board members may participate remotely.

Meeting Agenda

1. Call to order - 5:30 p.m.
    - Pledge of Allegiance
2. Swearing In of New Board Member
3. Adopt/Amend Agenda
4. Public Comments
5. Consent Agenda: THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE SUBMITTED FOR CONSENT APPROVAL
    a. Approval of Meeting Minutes
    b. Approval of Financial Report and Monthly Claims and Accounts
    c. Approval of Staffing Matters/Personnel
    Hirings:
    Samuel Roth, food service - effective 05/18/2026
    Emma Neet, elementary special education teacher - effective 08/20/2026
    Thomas Tiernan, elementary teacher - effective 08/20/2026

    Resignations:
    Luke Bothun, assistant wrestling coach - effective 04/28/2026
    Natalie Harwick, daycare aide - effective 05/05/2026
    Kiersten Kosbab, daycare aide - effective 05/05/2026

6. Information Items:
    a. Roofing, Hard Surface, and HVAC Project Updates
    Chris Ziemer
    b. Public Data Requests

CT Mills 1309 Coffeen Avenue STE 1200, Sheridan, WY 82801 984-303-8215 Support@educatorsupportnetwork.org	Full Name Title/Position Work Email Address Work Location (School Name or Central Office)	Filled 4.18.26
Carla Carlos c.carlos@employeeresearchdata.org	Employee First and Last Names Title/Position Work Email Address Primary Campus or Department	Sent form for initiation of formal request 05.07.26

    c. Board Member Reports

d. Teacher Reports

e. Blackjack Child Care Director Report

f. Director of Activites, Transportation, and Community Education Coordinator

g. Principal Reports

h. Superintendent Report

7. Action Items:

a. MN Air Ventilation Pilot Program Grant Award Acceptance

b. Roofing, Hard Surface, and HVAC project
Because we are on a tight timeline to use the remaining roofing, hard surface, and HVAC funds, it is recommended the board select an option from those presented earlier in the meeting so we can move forward.

c. Blackjack Child Care Parent Handbook

d. Blackjack Child Care Rates 2026-2027

Child Care Rate Comparables					
Benson	FY 26	School District Run			
Discovery Kids Rates	Drop in/day	Daily	5 days		
Infant	$55.00	$50.00	$240.00		
Toddler	$52.00	$48.00	$230.00		
Preschool	$50.00	$44.00	$210.00		
School-Age	$48.00	$42.00	$200.00		
Before/After School	$20.00	$15.00	$75.00		
BBE	FY27	School District Run		Date Updated: 2-26-26	
Starting July 1st 2026 Jaguar Kid Connection Weekly Rates	2 Days	3 Days (includes Monday)	School Days	5 Days	Drop-in
Infant (6 weeks - 16 months)	$84	$121	$147	$177	$42
Toddler (16 months - 33 months)	$81	$121	$137	$162	$42
Preschool (33 months - PreK)	$84	$121	$143	$166	$42
School-Age (K-5) *See below for more information	$84	$121	$143 Before school: $7/day	$166	Non-school days: $42
Dawson/Boyd				Date Updated:	

Blackjack Babies	5-day contract	4-day contract	Daily	Drop-In Based on availability	
Infant	$190	--	---	$50.00/day	
Toddler	$180	---	---	$50.00/day	
Little Jacks	$175		$35	$45.00/day	
Dawon/Boyd Junior Jacks					
Before School 7am-8:15am		$5.00/child			
After School 3pm-5:30pm		$10.00/Child			
Drop-In Rate		AM- $8.00 PM-$13.00			
Daily		$31/day			
Day Drop-IN		$45/day			
LqPV		School District Run			
Little Eagles Rates	1-2 days or Drop in	Weekly Rate (3 -5 days)			
Infant	$45 a day	$175 week			
Toddler	$37 a day	$160 week			
Preschool	$36 a day	$155 week			
Preschool	Half Days SR or HS:$18/day preschool days; $31 non school days				
Preschool	Full Day SR: $10 before/after school; $31 non school days.				
Montevideo	FY	School District Run			
Little Thunder Hawk Rates	1-2 days or Drop in	Weekly Rate			
Infant	N/A	$210			
Toddler	N/A	$195			
Preschool	N/A	$185			
Jr. Thunder Hawk (school age care)	$9.50/session (before school is a session and after school is a session) During the summer we charge $28/day when contracted, $31/day drop in				

e. Managed Print Services Quotes

f. LqPV-DB Co-op Fees
Fees have not been raised in 10 years. Currently, fees are $25/student. The recommendation is to move to $50/student with an annual 2.5% increase.

g. Resolution-District Donations

h. Approval of School Fundraisers
Softball - varsity softball girls will host a day camp for younger players

i. Policies

Recommended for adoption on the first reading:
701: Modification of School District Budget

8. Adjournment

Dawson-Boyd Independent School District No. 378

Special March Board Meeting

March 17, 2026

A special meeting of the Board of Education was held on March 17, 2026, in the Dawson-Boyd Board room. Members present were Kelly, Marotzke, Zollner, Schindler and Lynch. Jurgenson was absent. Chair Kelly called the board meeting to order at 5:30 pm. The agenda was approved as presented (Marotzke/Schindler).

The district will be accepting applications for a school board vacancy following the resignation of Carli Bothun on Tuesday, March 10, 2026. School board applications can be found on the district website and at the school district office. The board approved a deadline for school board application for April 8, 2026 (Marotzke/Zollner). The board elected Lynch to replace Bothun as Treasurer of the board (Kelly/Marotzke). Zollner agree to replace Bothun on the Policy Committee and Lynch agreed to replace Bothun on the Facility and Finance Committee. The Cyber Security grant expenses were discussed and approved as presented (Marotzke/Zollner). Summer daycare hold fees were also discussed. On recommendation by Daycare Director, Mattiah Kemen, to increase the current fee from $350 for summer to half price of the weekly rate for 2026 and full price of the weekly rate for 2027 (Lynch/Schindler).

With no further business, Chair Kelly adjourned the meeting at 5:53 pm (Marotzke/Zollner).

Clint Schindler, School Board Secretary

Dawson-Boyd Independent School District No. 378

Regular April Board Meeting

April 13, 2026

The regular April meeting of the Board of Education was held on April 13, 2026, in the Dawson-Boyd board room. Members present were Lynch, Jurgenson, Schindler, Marotzke, Zollner, and Kelly as well as administrative staff. Chair Kelly called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. There were no public comments. The agenda was amended for approval and was adopted (Jurgenson/Marotzke).

Regular claims and accounts totaling $392,939.44, $14,913.08 for student activities, and $0 for the building project were approved as presented. The Board reviewed electronic transfers and state tax payments made in March. Minutes from the March 9,2026 Regular Board meeting and March 17, 2026 special meeting were approved (Jurgenson and Marotzke).

RESOLUTION #R1-97 - NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE DAWSON-BOYD SCHOOL DISTRICT OF DAWSON, MINNESOTA, that the gift of $313.00 from an Anonymous donor, be accepted by the district. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the gift will be used by the music department to purchase new risers. Members voting in favor of the resolution were Schindler, Marotzke, Lynch, Jurgenson, Zollner and Kelly. There were no dissenting or abstaining votes. RESOLUTION #R1-97A - NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE DAWSON-BOYD SCHOOL DISTRICT OF DAWSON, MINNESOTA, that the gift of $90.00, from The Vine, be accepted by the district. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the gift will be used by ECFE. Members voting in favor of the resolution were Schindler, Marotzke, Lynch, Jurgenson, Zollner and Kelly. There were no dissenting or abstaining votes. RESOLUTION #R1-97B - NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE DAWSON-BOYD SCHOOL DISTRICT OF DAWSON, MINNESOTA, that the gift of $985.25, from American Family Insurance-Casey Clausen, be accepted by the district. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the gift will be used by the school district in 5th grade to purchase literacy items. Members voting in favor of the resolution were Schindler, Marotzke, Lynch, Jurgenson, Zollner and Kelly. There were no dissenting or abstaining votes.

In staffing matters, the board approved the resignations of Clint Schindler, JH Boys Basketball Coach, effective April 7, 2026; and Ilse Olson, Elementary Teacher, effective May 27, 2026. The board approved the hiring of Alexandra Stearns, Secondary Science Teacher, effective August 20, 2026; Kendra McBride, daycare, effective March 23, 2026; Kendra McBride, C Squad Softball Coach, effective April 10, 2026; and Tylee Groenhoff, Elementary Teacher, effective August 20, 2026.

In Information items, Allyson Pesek, Regional COMPASS Supervisor from SWWC Service Cooperative, shared the results of a current needs assessment. Dan Hovland from MRVED shared a strategic plan outlining how MRVED can support the planning process at no additional cost. He presented an overview of timelines, engagement, and deliverables, and noted success with his work at a neighboring district. Under teacher reports, Amber Omland shared planning their team approach to teaching fifth and sixth grade. Loral Webster also gave a teacher report, highlighting the success of Study Buddies and sharing what students have been working on.

Carrie Kleven, Director of Activities and Transportation, expressed the need for C-team umpires for baseball and softball. High School Principal, Ryan Stotesbery, spoke about two-hour late starts and the preparation for MCA testing. He also gave a shout out to Mason Solem, Gannon Thesing, and Landon Kemen for their various successes. Amy Hiedeman, Elementary Principal, shared that students have been wearing armbands and T-shirts with the message “Handle Hard Better” in response to Kara Lawson’s speech. Superintendent Holly Ward reported on a recent Community Action Council meeting where district finances were discussed. She shared that warranty work from ICS will take place this summer, including work on the security door in the lunch room area. The district also received notice from MDE that hard surface funds cannot be reallocated to roofing. ICS is exploring different ways to address district needs while staying within budget.

In Action Items, the board appointed Elsie Nelson to replace Bothun’s spot (Marotzke/Lynch). The board approved the strategic plan presented by Dan Hovland (Marotzke/Schindler). The insurance renewal was approved, with the district remaining with Blue Cross Blue Shield (Jurgenson/Lynch). Resolution-district donations were approved (Schindler/Zollner). School fundraisers were approved, including NHS Penny Wars for the food shelf, and childcare’s Simply Sweet Cheesecake Sales (Marotzke/Jurgenson). The second reading for Policies 410, Family and Medical Leave; 503, Student Attendance; 515, Protection and Privacy of Pupil Records; 530, Immunization Requirements; 615, Testing Accommodations, Modification, and Exemptions for IEPs, Section 504 Plans, and LEP Students; 701, Establishment and Adoption of School District Budget; and 721, Procurement Policy were approved (Schindler/Marotzke). Summer Program Staffing was approved as follows: one SLP not to exceed 48 hours, one paraprofessional not to exceed 24.5 hours, one special education teacher not to exceed 31.5 hours, two teachers not to exceed 52.5 hours, and one paraprofessional not to exceed 45 hours (Lynch/Jurgenson). The board also approved moving next month’s May 11, 2026 meeting to 5:30pm due to the choir concert later that evening (Marotzke/Zollner).

With no other matters, Chair Kelly adjourned the meeting at 7:35 pm (Marotzke/Jurgenson).

Clint Schindler, School Board Clerk

OWNER ISD #378 - Dawson Boyd Public Schools
PROJECT: Remaining 2019 Bond & Abatement Bond Funds
LOCATION: Dawson, MN
PREP BY: ICS
DATE: 2/6/2026; 4/14/26: Updated 5/6/26

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ITEM / ITEM DESCRIPTION	OPTIONS: Option "A" If Abatement Bonds can be Realocated NOT APPROVED BY MDE	Option "B" If Abatement Bonds cannot be Realocated	Option "C" If Abatement Bonds cannot be Realocated	Option "D" If Abatement Bonds cannot be Realocated	Quantity / Program SF	Unit	Unit Cost / SF Cost	Notes:
2026 IMPROVEMENTS								
ROOFING REPLACMENT								
Roofing Replacement - Section #A								
Section #A1 - Innovation Lab	$144,000	$0	$0	$0	3,200	SF	$45	Full Tear-Off w/ New Fully-Adhered EPDM System
Section #A2 - Low Roof	$231,750	$0	$231,750	$231,750	5,150	SF	$45	Full Tear-Off w/ New Fully-Adhered EPDM System
Section #A3 - Ag. Shop	$191,250	$0	$0	$0	4,250	SF	$45	Full Tear-Off w/ New Fully-Adhered EPDM System
Roofing Replacement - Section #B	$0	$69,750	$69,750	$69,750	1,550	SF	$45	Full Tear-Off w/ New Fully-Adhered EPDM System
Roofing Replacement - Section #C	$0	$346,500	$0	$0	7,700	SF	$45	Full Tear-Off w/ New Fully-Adhered EPDM System
Roofing Replacement - Section #D								
Section #D1 - Kitchen & Music Classroom	$216,000	$0	$216,000	$216,000	4,800	SF	$45	Full Tear-Off w/ New Fully-Adhered EPDM System
Section #D2 - Student Dining	$400,500	$0	$0	$0	8,900	SF	$45	Full Tear-Off w/ New Fully-Adhered EPDM System
Roof Patching to Address Critical Areas	$0	$0	$0	$0	1	ALLOW	$75,000	Address areas in most need
PARKING & DROP-OFF/PICK-UP IMPROVEMENTS								
Parking Lot - Area "A"	$0	$0	$0	$0	19,100	SF	$8	Mill & Overlay w/ New Striping
Paved Area - Area "B"	$0	$84,000	$84,000	$84,000	7,000	SF	$12	Reconstruct / pave for improved drainage
Parking Lot - Area "C"	$0	$0	$0	$0	32,650	SF	$8	Mill & Overlay w/ New Striping
Re-Build HS Entry Stairs & Ramp - Area "D"	$100,000	$100,000	$100,000	$100,000	1	ALLOW	$100,000	Demo & Rebuild New Stairs and Access. Ramp
Hard Play / Track - Area "E"	$0	$0	$0	$0	17,250	SF	$7.50	Mill & Overlay w/ New Striping
Replace Basketball Hoops	$0	$0	$0	$0	4	EA	$6,500	Replace existing basketball hoops/backboards
MECHANICAL UPGRADES								
Replacement of Existing Heat Pumps	$0	$77,050	$0	$77,050	2	EA	$38,525	Demo, Replacement, Ceilings & Lights
CONSTRUCTION SUBTOTAL:	**$1,283,500**	**$677,300**	**$701,500**	**$778,550**				
SOFT COSTS	$384,085	$273,635	$267,510	$294,050				Varies as a % of Construction Cost + Bond Costs
Project Management/Design Fees & Oversight	$303,415	$205,089	$198,480	$228,479				
Plan Review / Permitting Fees	$20,000	$20,000	$20,000	$15,000				
Survey/Soil Borings/Construction Testing	$60,670	$48,546	$49,030	$50,571				
Bond Costs	$0	$0	$0	$0				
SUBTOTAL:	**$384,085**	**$273,635**	**$267,510**	**$294,050**				
CONTINGENCY	$102,680	$54,184	$56,120	$62,284				8% of Construction Cost
SUBTOTAL:	**$102,680**	**$54,184**	**$56,120**	**$62,284**				
TOTAL:	**$1,770,265**	**$1,005,119**	**$1,025,130**	**$1,134,884**				
VARIANCE FROM AVAILABLE FUNDING (ABATEMENT BOND FUNDS):	**($1,495,265)**	**($730,119)**	**($750,130)**	**($859,884)**	**$275,000**	**Remaining Funds in this Category**		
VARIANCE FROM AVAILABLE FUNDING (2019 BOND FUNDS):	**($855,265)**	**($90,119)**	**($110,130)**	**($219,884)**	**$640,000**	**Remaining Funds in this Category after Tuckpointing**		
VARIANCE FROM AVAILABLE FUNDING (LTFM BOND FOR ROOFS (2029)):	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**$595,000**	**Historical Amount Bonded against LTFM**		
VARIANCE FROM AVAILABLE FUNDING (HVAC GRANT FUNDS):	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**($169,884)**	**$50,000**	**HVAC Grant Funding**		
VARIANCE FROM AVAILABLE FUNDING (ANNUAL LTFM FUNDS):	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**($124,884)**	**$45,000**	**Annual LTFM Funding (Matching Funds for HVAC Grant Award)**		
VARIANCE FROM AVAILABLE FUNDING (OTTER TAIL POWER REBATE):	**N/A**	**$35,881**	**$15,870**	**$1,116**	**$126,000**	**Estimated Otter Tail Power Rebate from 2024/25 Projects**		
TOTAL REMAINING FUNDS:	**($855,265)**	**$35,881**	**$15,870**	**$1,116**				

DAWSON-BOYD COMMUNITY EDUCATION

SUMMER 2026

DAWSON-BOYD BLACKJACKS

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REMINDERS!

- **May 22** 2 Hour Early Out
- **May 22** Last Day of School
- **May 24** Commencement
- **August 27** First Day of 26-27 School Year

DATES BLACKJACK CHILDCARE WILL BE CLOSED

- **May 25** Memorial Day
- **June 19** Juneteenth
- **July 3** July 4th
- **August 24** Professional Development

BOARD OF EDUCATION

- **SUPERINTENDENT** - Holly Ward
- **CHAIR** - Tonya Kelly
- **VICE CHAIR** - Lynn Marotzke
- **TREASURER** - Megan Lynch
- **CLERK** - Clint Schindler
- **DIRECTOR** - Cameron Jurgenson
- **DIRECTOR** - Shawn Zollner

SCAN THE CODE TO VIEW OUR WEBSITE



A NOTE FROM SUPERINTENDENT WARD

Summer is a season full of energy, growth, and opportunity for children and families. At Dawson-Boyd Community Education, we are excited for all that summer brings. From childcare to youth activities, summer is a time for learning, friendships, and fun.

At Blackjack Childcare, we are especially looking forward to the completion of our new toddler playground and fencing project. These updates will create a safer, more engaging outdoor space for our youngest learners and allow for even more time spent outside exploring, playing and building important skills.

We are also excited to offer Community Education youth activities that keep students active, connected, and engaged throughout the summer months. Whether students are participating in camps, recreation, enrichment opportunities, or special events, these experiences help build confidence, friendships, and lasting memories.

Outdoor play, new experiences, and community connections are all part of what makes summer special. We are grateful for the support of our families and community as we continue creating opportunities for children to learn, grow, and thrive all summer long.

Contact Superintendent Holly Ward
320-312-2301 or hward@dwby.k12.mn.us

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

2026 BULLETIN BOARD 2026

High School Office

Chelsie Bothun
Admin Assistant
cbothun@dwby.k12.mn.us
(320)312-2303

Principal Ryan Stotesbery
rstotesbery@dwby.k12.mn.us
(320)312-2306

Summer Office Hours

Monday	9 am - 1 pm
Tuesday	9 am - 1 pm
Wednesday	9 am - 1 pm
Thursday	9 am - 1 pm
Friday	CLOSED

Elementary Office

Laurel Stratmoen
Admin Assistant
lstartmoen@dwby.k12.mn.us
(320)312-2308

Principal Amy Hiedeman
ahiedeman@dwby.k12.mn.us
(320)312-2309

Fitness Center

$25 per month
Stacy Stratmoen
stacys@dwby.k12.mn.us
(320)312-2302

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Summer Food Program

Monday - Friday
Breakfast 8:00 - 9:30 am
Lunch 11:00 - 12:15 pm
DATES
June 8-August 14
Closed 6/19, 7/3, 7/30
Camey Maland
cmaland@dwby.k12.mn.us
(320)312-2314

Athletics/Community Ed Transportation

Summer Rec
June 8 - July 23
No Classes the week of July 6-10

Carrie Kleven
ckleven@dwby.k12.mn.us
(320)312-2318

A NOTE FROM PRINCIPAL HIEDEMAN



Dawson-Boyd Community Members,
As we head into the final stretch of the school year at Stevens Elementary, I want to take a moment to thank you for your continued support of Dawson-Boyd Schools. It's a busy time in our building, and our students and staff are working hard each day to finish the year strong.

Our theme for this year, Anchored in Excellence continues to shine through so many ways. We see it in the effort our students are putting into their learning, in the way they support one another, and in the pride they take in being part of our school community. There is a lot to celebrate, and we are committed to carrying the momentum through the end of the year.

As we look ahead, we are preparing to navigate into some new waters next fall. We will be welcoming several new staff members to Stevens Elementary. While change can bring some uncertainty, it also brings fresh ideas and new opportunities. What won't change is our shared commitment to doing what is best for our students. Our team - both new and returning - is dedicated to continuing the strong tradition of excellence for our Blackjacks.

As summer approaches, we encourage families to keep reading a priority. Taking advantage of local opportunities - like programs through our community libraries, or reading incentives from places like Barnes & Noble and other book sellers - can help students maintain and grow their skills. Even a few minutes of reading each day can make a big difference!
Thank you for being such an important part of our Stevens Elementary community! We look forward to finishing the year strong together and continuing to build on all the great things happening here! Go Blackjacks!

Take care,

Principal Hiedeman

BLACKJACKS
DAWSON-BOYD



2026 Summer Food Program
Free meals for children 18 and under.

Monday-Friday
Breakfast 8:00-9:30 am
Lunch 11:00-12:15 pm
June 8-Aug 14

Closed June 19, July 3, July 30

Contact: Camey Maland, FSD
cmaland@dwby.k12.mn.us
320-312-2314

FACEBOOK

Dawson-Boyd Community Education
Daycare, Preschool, Youth & Adult, Summer Rec

Dawson-Boyd Blackjacks
Athletic Information

Dawson-Boyd Public Schools
School Information & Job Postings

PLEASE CALL/EMAIL THE SCHOOL OFFICE BEFORE 8:30 A.M. IF YOUR CHILD IS ABSENT OR TARDY FOR ANY REASON.

Elementary - Laurel
(320)769-4590
lstratmoen@dwby.k12.mn.us

High School - Chelsie
(320)769-2955
cbothun@dwby.k12.mn.us

CONTACT HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL RYAN STOTESBERY
320-769-2955 OR RSTOTESBERY@DWBY.K12.MN.US

CONTACT ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL AMY HIEDEMAN
320-312-2309 OR AHIEDEMAN@DWBY.K12.MN.US

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP SIGN
FUNDRAISER UPDATE
We Reached Our Goal



Thank You For Donating!

BLACKJACK FANS

We're proud of our STATE CHAMPION TEAMS and it was time to update the Championship Signs!

Your donations have allowed us to keep celebrating the legacy of our State Champions past, present and future!


2024


2025


2025


2025


2026


2025

SPRING SPORTS

BASEBALL
Varsity - Daren Swenson, JV and Assistant Josh Staab, Volunteer Derek Gritmacker
C Squad - Brayden Thompson

SOFTBALL
Varsity - Nick Gruwell & Assistant Alisha Schindler
C Squad - Kendra McBride

GOLF
Cory Larson & Darla Swedzinski

BOYS TENNIS
Austin Ireland & Brandon Hurley

TRACK
Head Coach John Shurb, Assistants Ben Travis, Bentley Boike, Joel Voorhees, & Paul Lowry

BLACKJACKS
DAWSON-BOYD

SPORTS PHYSICALS
Needed Every Three Years

Sports Physicals are needed in order to participate in any sports activity. New physicals will need to be scheduled for all athletes who will be in 7th and 10th grade in the fall of 2026. If you are unsure if your child needs a physical, please contact (320)312-2318 to see if one is on file. Athletes WILL NOT be allowed to participate in practice until their physical has been completed for Fall 2026.

SUMMER CAMPS

SHADOWS DANCE CAMP

Grades 7-12
MONDAYS - June 1st, 8th, 15th, 29th & July 13th, 20th & 27th
6:00 - 9:00 PM
Lac qui Parle Valley High School
Transportation Provided
FREE

GOPHER WRESTLING CAMP

Instructed by a University of MN Gopher Wrestler
July 27 and July 28
PreK-Grade 4, 9-11 am
Grade 5-grade 12, 11:30-1:30 pm
Dawson-Boyd Multi Purpose Room
$40/both days

SUMMER TENNIS CAMP

June 23-26
9-10 am grades 4-6
10:15-10:45 am PreK-K
11-11:45 am grades 1-3
City of Dawson Tennis Courts (elementary gym if rain)
Cost: $20
Shelby Moen
Tennis Lessons will be held at the Dawson City Tennis Courts. Please bring your own tennis racket and make sure that it is labeled. Students will learn the basics of tennis, how to score, and rules of the game, besides having fun! Register through the Dawson-Boyd Community Ed Tab dawsonboydschools.org.

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SUMMER REC

SPEED & AGILITY/WEIGHT ROOM

STARTS MONDAY, JUNE 1
Boys Speed and Agility | Tuesdays and Thursdays | 8:00-8:45 AM | GRADES 5-12
Boys Weight Room | Mondays-Thursdays | 9-10:30 AM | GRADES 5-12
Boys Basketball | Mondays | 8:00-9:30 AM | Wednesdays | 8:00-8:45 AM | GRADES 7-12

Girls Speed and Agility | Mondays and Wednesdays | 7:15-8:00 AM | GRADES 5-12
Girls Weight Room | Tuesdays and Thursdays | 7:15-8:00 AM | GRADES 5-12
Girls Basketball | Tuesdays and Thursdays | 8-9:30 AM | GRADES 7-12

DAYCARE INFORMATION

DAYCARE STAFF

Fulltime Staff
Mattiah Kemen
Angela Forsberg
Samantha Ramos
Tracy Devorak
Kendra McBride
Julie Overton
Paige Conover
Madison Peterson
Amber Anderson
Lauren Munsterman
Caitlyn Franzky
Karoline Dahl
Natalie Kallhoff
Samantha Jones

Part-Time Staff
Jordan Maland
Ethan Myers
Sally Petersen
Allysa Hurley
Michelle Ellefson
Mariah Schacherer
Isabella Longhenry

High School Staff
Rylin Viesmann
Shay Bothun
Quinn Larson
Larain Steinke
Breah Kosbab
Gracelyn Enevoldsen

SUMMER CARE

- Full day Junior Jacks care will begin Tuesday, May 26.
- Staff will help students get to and From Summer Rec activities.
- Students will receive free breakfast, lunch & snack.

DAYS BLACKJACK CHILDCARE IS CLOSED

- Memorial Day (May 25)
- Juneteenth (June 19)
- Independence Day (July 3)
- Staff Training (August 24)

Parent Aware
Highest Possible Rating

CENSUS

If you are new to the school district with a preschool child, have a new baby, or just unsure if your child is on the census, please call Stacy Stratmoen (320)312-2302 to have your child's name placed on the census to get the latest mailings for Early Childhood Family Education, receive notifications about Preschool Screening and Preschool.












WE ARE hiring!

Employment Opportunities:

Certified Staff

- 26-27 Secondary Math Teacher
- 26-27 Elementary Teacher
- 26-27 .5 Spanish Teacher
- 26-27 .4 Agriculture Teacher

Non-Certified Staff

- 26-27 C Squad Volleyball Coach
- 26-27 JH Volleyball Coach
- 26-27 JH Girls Basketball Coach
- 26-27 JH Boys Basketball Coach
- Childcare Workers
- PM Bus Drivers

Go to www.dawsonboydschools.org to apply.

DAWSON-BOYD BLACKJACKS
Small School. Big Opportunities.

Apply Online

Spanish Application

WE ARE hiring!

Summer Employment:

Education Express

- 1 Elementary Teacher
- 1 Paraprofessional

Extended School Year

- 1 Speech Language Pathologist
- 1 Special Education Teacher
- 1 Paraprofessional

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Summer Employment:

Summer Agriculture Program

June 10 - Aug 6, 2026 (half days)

- Agriculture Teacher
- Secondary Math Teacher
- Secondary Science Teacher
- Secondary English Teacher
- Secondary Social Studies Teacher

Non-Certified Staff

- Custodial
- Painting
- Summer Rec Coordinator
- Baseball Coaches
- Softball Coaches
- TBall Coaches
- Basketball Coaches
- Soccer Coaches
- High-School Summer Cleaners

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SIGN UPS

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

Classes Instructed by Catalina Worden at the Dawson-Boyd School on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 5-8PM in room D112.

Habrá clases de Inglés como segundo lenguaje. Las clases se llevarán a cabo en la escuela de Dawson Boyd cada Martes y Miércoles salón D112 de 5-8pm. Las clases las dará la instructora Catalina Worden.

FREE SUMMER MEALS

2026 Summer Food Program
Free meals for children 18 and under.

Monday-Friday
Breakfast 8:00-9:30 am
Lunch 11:00-12:15 pm
June 8-Aug 14

Closed June 19, July 3, July 30

Contact: Camey Maland, FSD
cmaland@dwby.k12.mn.us
320-312-2314



BLOOD DRIVE

Wednesday, July 29, 2026
12 - 6 PM
Dawson-Boyd Multi-Purpose Room
(high school wrestling room)



VIKINGS CAMP

Montevideo is hosting a Vikings Camp open to area youth. June 16th from noon to 2:30 pm. Registration opens at 11 am. Watch the Montevideo Community Ed Page for information





MINNESOTA TWINS BASEBALL

THURSDAY, JULY 30

8:00 AM • school bus leaves from Montevideo Middle School
12:10 PM • game time at Target Field
6:30 PM • approximate return time

$40/PERSON

Register by July 9

PRAIRIE 5 RIDES

PRAIRIE FIVE RIDES SUMMER YOUTH RATES
Prairie Five Rides will be offering transportation services to
Summer Rec Activities for the summer. Ride requests may
be made by
calling dispatch (877)757-4337
OPERATING HOURS: 7:15-4:45
COSTS:
Unlimited Summer Youth Pass $40.00
Youth Punch Card-25 rides $25.00
Single Rides $2.00/ride

DAWSON PUBLIC LIBRARY

SCAN THE QR CODE TO FOLLOW THE DAWSON LIBRARIES FACEBOOK PAGE & SEE THEIR SUMMER HAPPENINGS

BLACKJACKS
DAWSON-BOYD

ECFE

ECFE Tie - Dye and Goo Party

Create your own unique tie-dyed shirt just in time for summer and make stretchy, squishy slime! Come play with a variety of colors as you customize a white T-shirt or tank top you bring to the class. We will have additional items to tie dye such as bandanas or scrunchies.

Then, dive into ooey, gooey, mesmerizing slime creations that you can squish, stretch, and play with. This hands-on adventure is messy, wild, and full of self-expression—perfect for kids who love color, creativity, and a little bit of chaos!

Date: July 22, 2026
Age 2 - First Grade with Parents (Parent participation is required.)
Time: 4:15 - 5:00
Location: Shelter in Pool Park (Weather permitting) alternate location High School Cafeteria
Cost: $ 9.00
Need to bring: White cotton t-shirt or tank top
Instructor: Stephanie Kelly

ECFE Playground Fun

Join us at the playground for fun in the sun and a chance to connect with other parents! We will focus on gross motor skills, sensory exploration, and social interaction for children ages birth to 7 years old.

There will be a variety of hands-on stations set up for you and your child to explore together. We look forward to seeing you there for a morning of play, learning, and fun! (Parent participation is required.)

Date: June 22 @ 5:00
Date: July 21 @ 11:00
Date: August 5 @ 10:00
Age 2 - First Grade with Parents
Location: School Playground (Weather permitting) alternate location High School Cafeteria
Cost: Free Will Donation
Instructor: Stephanie Kelly

ECFE Rock Painting

Share Smiles throughout our community with Rock painting!
This hands-on activity encourages creativity, fine motor skills, exploration, and a deeper appreciation for nature. Families are able to get physically active together while looking for the rocks they made in this class.

We will paint rocks with a positive word or picture on it. We will leave it for someone else to find it in the community. We will paint, seal and place these around the community.

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Age 2 - First Grade with Parents (Parent participation is required.)
Time: 4:15 - 5:00
Location: Shelter in Pool Park (Weather permitting) alternate location High School Cafeteria
Cost: $ 9.00
Instructor: Stephanie Kelly

SCHOOL AGE

Tie - Dye and Goo Party

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Date: July 22, 2026
Age - Second - Sixth Grade
Time: 3:15 - 4:00
Location: Shelter in Pool Park (Weather permitting) alternate location High School Cafeteria
Cost: $ 13.00 (per person)
Need to bring: White cotton t-shirt or tank top
Instructor: Stephanie Kelly

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Age - Second - Sixth Grade
Time: 3:15 - 4:00
Location: Shelter in Pool Park (Weather permitting) alternate location High School Cafeteria
Cost: $ 13.00 (per person)
Instructor: Stephanie Kelly

FITNESS CENTER

FITNESS CENTER HOURS

Fitness Center Hours of Operation: Open 7 days a week from 4:30 am - 10 pm. Doors will lock at 9:30pm

MEMBERSHIP

Fitness Center Membership - $25 per month - please check with your insurance company for reimbursements. Included in the membership is use of the locker room, fitness center, weight room, gym and walking.

APPROPRIATE CLOTHING

Please remember that appropriate shirts, bottoms, and clean shoes must be worn at all times in the fitness center. You will be asked to leave if you are not dressed appropriately. Shirts are required at all times. If you continue to violate this, your membership will not be renewed.

NOTICE

Your FOB is issued to YOU and only YOU. Members found to be sharing their FOBS with non-members - family or friends - are subject to their membership being terminated without notice. Children are not allowed in the fitness center. FOBS will be turned off if this is an issue. Please report any damage or misuse to the Community Ed Office (320)312-2318

PAYMENTS

- **Cash**
- **Check**
- **Credit Card**
- **Online**

SCAN THE CODE TO PAY ONLINE

DBAA

SATURDAY, JUNE 27

Old MacDonald Had A Banjo (FREE)

1:00pm at Swimming Pool Park Main Shelter. Energetic family event presented by Dawson-Boyd Arts Association. A farm full of songs bursting out to entertain and involve children in singing, movement and silliness. Event sponsors are Minnwest Bank and Dawson Riverfest.

ABBAFAB - A Tribute to ABBA

7:00pm at Memorial Auditorium. Presented by Dawson-Boyd Arts Association. Featuring hits of the 70s and 80s to Mamma Mia. Tickets are available online at dawsonboydartspresents.org or by calling 320-312-2311 or at the door - $40 adults, $15 students. Event sponsors are Greater Community Credit Union and Dawson Area Chamber of Commerce.

SUMMER MUSICAL

What: Summer Musical

Where: Memorial Auditorium

Cost: $29 Dollars per participant (Includes t-shirt to wear for performance)

Who:

- Kids in grades 2-6 can participate in the children's chorus. They will dance and sing in several songs throughout the full musical. Sign up before May 22nd
- 7-12 grade students and adults can audition with Mr. Hurley at their convenience before May 21st. Contact Mr. Hurley at bhurley@dwby.k12.mn.us to schedule an audition time.

PERFORMANCE DATES: July 17th - 19th. Friday/Saturday @ 7 PM. Sunday @ 2 PM.

- Special note that the performances will require students to be there from 6:30 till about 9:30 for your planning purposes.

Scan the QR Code to Sign up

Costume Requirements

- A shirt will be provided to wear for the performance
- Students will need shoes they can dance in (no sandals)
- Students will also need blue jeans to wear for the performance.

Rehearsal Schedule:

- For students in the children's choir (Leaving Grade 2-6)
- We will practice from 1:00 - 2:00 PM the following days
  - June 1st-4th, (M,T,W,Th)
  - June 8th-11th, (M,T,W,Th)
  - June 22st-24th (M,T,W)
  - June 29th-July 1st (M,T,W)
  - July 6th-9th (M,T,W,Th)
- July 13th-16th: As we get closer to performance time, they will be required to come to some evening practices. Most likely, some rehearsal from 6:30 till maybe 8, and then 1 true dress rehearsal from 7 till 9:30

Dawson-Boyd Public Schools Academic Calendar | 2026 to 2027

Jul 2026

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0 Student / 0 Teacher

Blue- Staff Day Red- No School Yellow- Start and End Dates Green- Commencement Orange- End of Quarter Pink- PM Conferences k-12 Purple- Conferences k-6 Navy- PM Conferences 7-12 Gold- Homecoming Teal- New Teacher Orientation Lime - Para Training Grey – 2-hour early out

Important dates

Aug 12 – Para Training
Aug 20 – New Teacher Orientation
Aug 24, 25, 26 – Teacher Inservice
Aug 25 – Open House (5:30-7:30PM)
Aug 27 – First Day of School
Sep 4 – NO SCHOOL
Sep 7 – NO SCHOOL
Sep 18 – 2 hour early out – Teacher PD
Oct 12 – Elem and HS Conferences (3:30 – 7:30PM)
Oct 13 – Elementary Conferences (7:30AM – 7:30PM) – NO SCHOOL ELEM ONLY
Oct 14 – MRVED Inservice – NO SCHOOL
Oct 15, 16 – MEA NO SCHOOL
Oct 29 – 2 hour early out – End of Quarter 1 (40 Days Elem / 41 Days HS)
Oct 30 – Teacher Inservice – NO SCHOOL
Nov 2 – HS Conferences (3:30-7:30)
Nov 24 – 2 hour early out – Teacher PD Nov 25, 26, 27 – NO SCHOOL
Dec 18 – 2 hour early out – Teacher PD
Dec 24-25, 28-31 – NO SCHOOL
Jan 1 – NO SCHOOL
Jan 14 – 2 hour early out – End of Quarter 2 (44 Days)
Jan 15 – Teacher Inservice – NO SCHOOL
Jan 18 – MRVED Common Inservice – NO SCHOOL
Feb 11 – 2 hour early out – Teacher PD
Feb 12 – NO SCHOOL
Feb 15 – NO SCHOOL
Mar 18 – End of Quarter 3 (41 Days)
Mar 19 – Teacher Inservice – NO SCHOOL
Mar 23 – Conferences (3:30-7:30PM)
Mar 24 – 2 hour early out – Teacher PD
Mar 25 – Teacher Inservice – NO SCHOOL
Mar 26 – NO SCHOOL
Mar 29 – NO SCHOOL
Apr 16 – 2 hour early out–TeacherPD
May 26 – 2 hour early out–EndofQuarter 4 (45 Days) – Last Day ofSchool
May 27 – Teacher Inservice
May 28 - Graduation 6:00pm

Student Days = 170.0	(k-6),	171.0(7-12)
Teacher Days = 10.5		10.5
Conferences	= 2.5	1.5
Total	= 183.0	183.0

Calendario Académico de las Escuelas Públicas Dawson-Boyd | 2026 to 2027

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Azul- Día del personal Rojo- No hay clases Amarillo- Fechas de inicio y fin Verde- Graduación Naranja- Fin de trimestre Rosa- Conferencias por la tarde k-12
Morado- Conferencias k-6 Mar PM Conferencias 7-12 Dor- Regreso a casa Verde azulado - Orientación para nuevos maestros
Lima - Capacitación para paraprofesionales Gris – Salida temprana de 2 horas

Important dates

ago 12 – Capacitación para paraprofesionales
ago 20 – Orientación para nuevos maestros
ago 24, 25, 26 – Capacitación para maestros
ago 25 – Casa abierta (5:30-7:30PM)
ago 27 – Primer día de clases
sep 4 – NO HAY CLASES
sep 7 – NO HAY CLASES
sep 18 – Salida temprana de 2 h – DP maestros
oct 12 – Conf. Prim. y Sec. (3:30 – 7:30PM) oct 13 – Conf. Prim. (7:30AM – 7:30PM) – No hay clases solo primaria
oct 14 – Capac. MRVED – No hay clases
oct 15, 16 – MEA – No hay clases
oct 29 – Salida temprana de 2 h – Fin de trim.1 (40 Days Prim / 41 Days Sec)
oct 30 – Capac. maestros – No hay clases
nov 2 – HS Conferencias Sec. (3:30-7:30)
nov 24 – Salida temprana de 2 h – DP maestros
nov 25, 26, 27 – NO HAY CLASES
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ene 1 – NO HAY CLASES
ene 14 – Salida temprana de 2 h – Fin de trim 2 (44 Days)
ene 15 – Capac. maestros – No hay clases
ene 18 – Capac. MRVED – No hay clases
feb 11 – Salida temprana de 2 h – DP maestros
feb 12 – NO HAY CLASES
feb 15 – NO HAY CLASES
mar 18 – Fin de trim. 3 (41 Days)
mar 19 – Capac. maestros – No hay clases
mar 23 – Conferencias (3:30-7:30PM)
mar 24 Salida temprana de 2 h – DP maestros
mar 25 Capac. maestros – No hay clases
mar 26 – NO HAY CLASES
mar 29 – NO HAY CLASES
abr 16 – Salida temprana de 2 h – DP maestros
may 26 Salida temprana de 2 h – Fin de trim. 4 (45 Days) – Último día de clases
may 27 – Capac. maestros
may 28 - Graduación 6:00pm

Estudiante Days = 170.0 (k-6), 171.0 (7-12)

Maestro Days =	10.5	10.5
Conferencias	= 2.5	1.5
Total	= 183.0	183.0

Johnson Memorial Health Services

Healthcare Summer Camp

July 14, 2026 | 8 am

Discover Healthcare Careers This Summer!

Join usfor a hands-on, behind-the-scenes look at the exciting world of healthcare!



- Chance to win scholarships
- Explore hospital departments
- Connect with Medical Professionals

Open to students in grades 9–12

Whether you're alreadypassionate about healthcare or want to learn something new, this camp is all about ***fun***, ***discovery***, and ***inspiration***.

To learn more or register visit jmhsmn.org

Registrations due by June 30, 2026

JMHS Johnson Memorial Health Services

High Quality, Compassionate Healthcare.

JM Foundation

It all comes back to you.

COMMUNITY ED

DRIVERS TRAINING

The classroom portion of the driver's education training will begin Sunday, May 17, with the first half hour as a parent meeting. Will add 2 times for missed sessions-if needed.

- Sunday, May 17 5-8 PM - parents present 5-5:30
- Tuesday, May 26 8-11 AM
- Wednesday, May 27 8-11 AM
- Friday, May 29 8-11 AM
- Sunday, May 31 5-8 PM
- Monday June 1 8-11 AM
- Wednesday, June 3 8-11 AM
- Thursday, June 4 8-11 AM
- Friday, June 5 8-11 AM
- Sunday, June 7 5-8 PM - parents present 7:30-8

Starting Fall of 2026 Driver's Ed Classroom will be part of the class schedule for all incoming Freshman at no charge

- All students must complete 30 hours of classroom training.
- If your child misses, or have missed more than 2 regularly scheduled class sessions, they will have to retake the entire course, as there are only 2 makeup training sessions scheduled.
- The first step to becoming a licensed driver in MN is to obtain an instructional permit.
- To obtain a permit, you must meet the following requirements (among others):
  - Be at least 15 years of age
  - Have completed 30 hours of classroom instruction (not required when over 18 years of age). White card issued upon completion.
  - Pass a vision screening and knowledge test
- The second step is obtaining a provisional license. To qualify for a provisional license, you must:
  - Be at least 16 years of age
  - Have completed 6 hours of behind the wheel training. Blue card issued upon completion.
  - Hold an instructional permit for 6 months without a violation
  - Submit a supervised driving log. Two options are:
    - Complete 40 hours, including 15 night hours, of supervised driving when the parent/guardian has attended the supplemental parent class
    - Complete 50 hours, including 15 night hours, of supervised driving when the parent/guardian has not attended the supplemental parent class.
- Fees and Registration:
  - Classroom instruction is $125
  - Behind the wheel training is $250

FACILITY RENTAL

- Everyone must fill out a Facility Use Application and Permit Form. The forms are available on the school website and the District Office.
- The applicant will be informed when final approval has been made.
- Facility Use Application and Permit Forms must be submitted at least ten working days prior to the requested use.
- Checks should be made payable to: Dawson-Boyd School.

We are looking for parent volunteers to coach K-2 basketball. If you are interested in helping, please contact Community Education 320-312-2318

COMMUNITY ED POLICY

The Dawson-Boyd Community Education Department does not provide accident insurance for participants in any of its programs/activities. Participants assume all inherent risk of injury resulting from their involvement in programs or activities.

SUMMER REC

SUMMER REC

Use GRADE ENTERING the fall of 2026 when registering for all Summer Rec classes. Summer Rec classes will begin on June 8 and end on July 23. There will be no classes on June 19 or the week of July 6 - July 9. Students must be registered by May 22. Pre-registration is required for all classes.

Dawson-Boyd Community Education, #378, or the city of Dawson, is not responsible for providing health or hospital insurance. Registering on-line is your permission to have your child participate in the Summer Rec Activities. You are giving permission for your child to participate in the activity registered for and you further release the Dawson-Boyd School, the City of Dawson, Athletic Department, Community Ed personnel from any liability in the event of an accident.

If we do not have summer rec coaches by May 22 there will be no Basketball, Football or Soccer this summer.

Elementary Activities	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
9:00 am - 9:45 am	4-6 year old T-Ball Elementary Playground	K-6 Wrestling Multi-Purpose Room	K-6 Wrestling Multi-Purpose Room	4-6 year old T-Ball Elementary Playground
9:45 am - 10:30 am	Grades 1-2 T-Ball Elementary Playground			Grades 1-2 T-Ball Elementary Playground
9:45 am -10:45 am		Grades 3-6 Basketball Community Center Gym		Grades 3-6 Basketball Community Center Gym
10:45 am - 11:45 am	Grades 3-6 Football Elementary Playground	K-6 Soccer Elementary Playground	Grades 3-6 Football Elementary Playground	K-6 Soccer Elementary Playground

High School Activities	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
7:00 am - 7:50 am	Girls Grades 5-12 Speed & Agility	Girls Grades 5-12 Weight Room	Girls Grades 5-12 Speed & Agility	Girls Grades 5-12 Weight Room
8:00 am - 8:45 am		Boys Grades 5-12 Speed & Agility	Boys Grades 7-12 Basketball	Boys Grades 5-12 Speed & Agility
8:00 am - 9:30 am	Boys Grades 7-12 Basketball	Girls Grades 7-12 Basketball		Girls Grades 7-12 Basketball
8:45 am - 10:15 am			Girls Grades 7-12 Volleyball	
9:00 am - 10:30 am	Boys Grades 5-12 Weight Room	Boys Grades 5-12 Weight Room	Boys Grades 5-12 Weight Room	Boys Grades 5-12 Weight Room

SUMMER REC FEES

T-Ball	Basketball	Football	Soccer	Wrestling	Speed & Agility/Weight Room
$50	$25	$25	$25	$25	$50 per athlete or $90 per family

Please use the grade your student is going into in the fall for registering for summer rec activities!
Payments MUST BE RECEIVED by May 22, 2026.

LAC QUI PARLE 4-H SUMMER PROGRAMMING!

– JUNE–

Kites in Flight Day Camp, Grades K-2

Date: Monday, June 1
Morning Session: Crossroads Lutheran Church
Time: 10:00 a.m. - Noon
Afternoon Session: 4-H Exhibit Building, Madison
Time: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Cost : Free

What makes a kite soar? Youth will learn the parts of a kite and how each one affects flight. Then they'll design, build, and test their own experiments to see what really makes a kite fly high!

Blast Off Straw Rocket Day Camp, Grades 3-5

Date: Wednesday, June 8
Morning Session:: Crossroads Lutheran Church
Time: 10:00 - 12:00a.m.
Afternoon Session: 4-H Exhibit Building, Madison
Time: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Cost: Free

Get ready for lift-off! Youth will explore the parts of a rocket and discover how each piece affects flight. Then it's time to design, build, and launch straw rockets while testing their own experiments. Hands-on, high-flying fun awaits!

Garden Gurus, Grades 3-8

Dates: Tuesday, June 2, 9, and 16
Morning Session: Crossroads Lutheran Church
Time: 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
Afternoon Session: 4-H Exhibit Building, Madison
Time: 1:00 - 2:30 p.m.
Cost: $5 for all three sessions

Get ready to dig in and grow something amazing! In this hands-on gardening series, youth will explore the colorful world of flowers, tasty vegetables, and fragrant herbs while learning how to plant, grow, and care for their own plants. Each session is packed with fun activities and ends with a plant to take home and watch grow. Come get your hands a little dirty and discover how exciting gardening can be!

Science Seekers, Grades K-2

Dates: Thursday, June 4, 11, and 18
Morning Session: Crossroads Lutheran Church; 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
Afternoon Session: 4-H Exhibit Building, Madison; 1:00 - 2:30 p.m.
Cost: $5 for all three sessions

Get ready to experiment, build, and discover in this exciting hands-on science series! Youth will explore amazing reactions, creative engineering challenges, and fun experiments that make science come to life. Each session includes a project to try and something to take home and keep exploring. Put on your scientist hat and get ready for a series full of curiosity, creativity, and discovery!

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA EXTENSION

– JULY–

Bake and Create, Grades K-2
Dates: Wednesday, July 7 and 14
Morning Session: Crossroads Lutheran Church; 10:00 - 12:00 p.m.
Afternoon Session: 4-H Food Stand, Madison; 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Cost: $10 for both sessions

Calling all young bakers! In this delicious baking series, youth will learn how to mix, bake, and decorate sweet treats like cupcakes, cookies, and brownie ice cream cones. Each session is packed with hands-on fun as participants create their own desserts and learn new baking skills. Best of all, they'll take home a few tasty treats to share (or enjoy themselves)!

Fishing Sports Day Camp, Grades 3-8
Hosted with MinnKota Tackle, Madison, MN
Date: Thursday, July 9
Location: 4-H Exhibit Building, Madison; 1:00 - 3:30 p.m.
Cost: Free

Cast into adventure with this fun youth fishing sports series! Participants will learn about native fish species, fishing gear, and the basics of tackle while getting hands-on creating some of their own. Each session includes a chance to design and build tackle to bring home and test on the water. Get ready to reel in new skills and make something fish can't resist!

– WEATHER ANNOUNCEMENTS –

Please watch for email announcements from thom8004@umn.edu in case programs need to be rescheduled due to weather-related concerns.

– REGISTRATION –

Register through Lac qui Parle Valley Community Education for programs hosted in Madison
Register through Dawson-Boyd Community Education programs hosted in Dawson

Youth should be registered using the grade completed spring of 2026.

For programs with a registration fee please mail or deliver checks to the Lac qui Parle County Extension Office at 930 1st Ave, Madison, MN 56256. Checks can be written to "Lac qui Parle County 4-H Leader's Council"

2026

Class Night

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13 | 7:00 PM | AUDITORIUM

Baccalaureate

GRACE CHURCH

WEDNESDAY, MAY 20 | 7:30 PM

GRACE CHURCH

Seniors' Last Day

THURSDAY, MAY 21 | DAWSON-BOYD HIGH SCHOOL

10 AM - COMMENCEMENT PRACTICE

11:30 AM - SENIOR COOKOUT

SUNDAY, MAY 24 | 2:30 PM | HS GYM

Commencement

DAWSON-BOYD COMMUNITY EDUCATION

SUMMER 2026

DAWSON-BOYD BLACKJACKS

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REMINDERS!

- **May 22** 2 Hour Early Out
- **May 22** Last Day of School
- **May 24** Commencement
- **August 27** First Day of 26-27 School Year

DATES BLACKJACK CHILDCARE WILL BE CLOSED

- **May 25** Memorial Day
- **June 19** Juneteenth
- **July 3** July 4th
- **August 24** Professional Development

BOARD OF EDUCATION

- **SUPERINTENDENT** - Holly Ward
- **CHAIR** - Tonya Kelly
- **VICE CHAIR** - Lynn Marotzke
- **TREASURER** - Megan Lynch
- **CLERK** - Clint Schindler
- **DIRECTOR** - Cameron Jurgenson
- **DIRECTOR** - Shawn Zollner

SCAN THE CODE TO VIEW OUR WEBSITE



A NOTE FROM SUPERINTENDENT WARD

Summer is a season full of energy, growth, and opportunity for children and families. At Dawson-Boyd Community Education, we are excited for all that summer brings. From childcare to youth activities, summer is a time for learning, friendships, and fun.

At Blackjack Childcare, we are especially looking forward to the completion of our new toddler playground and fencing project. These updates will create a safer, more engaging outdoor space for our youngest learners and allow for even more time spent outside exploring, playing and building important skills.

We are also excited to offer Community Education youth activities that keep students active, connected, and engaged throughout the summer months. Whether students are participating in camps, recreation, enrichment opportunities, or special events, these experiences help build confidence, friendships, and lasting memories.

Outdoor play, new experiences, and community connections are all part of what makes summer special. We are grateful for the support of our families and community as we continue creating opportunities for children to learn, grow, and thrive all summer long.

Contact Superintendent Holly Ward
320-312-2301 or hward@dwby.k12.mn.us

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

2026 BULLETIN BOARD 2026

High School Office

Chelsie Bothun
Admin Assistant
cbothun@dwby.k12.mn.us
(320)312-2303

Principal Ryan Stotesbery
rstotesbery@dwby.k12.mn.us
(320)312-2306

Summer Office Hours

Monday	9 am - 1 pm
Tuesday	9 am - 1 pm
Wednesday	9 am - 1 pm
Thursday	9 am - 1 pm
Friday	CLOSED

Elementary Office

Laurel Stratmoen
Admin Assistant
lstartmoen@dwby.k12.mn.us
(320)312-2308

Principal Amy Hiedeman
ahiedeman@dwby.k12.mn.us
(320)312-2309

Fitness Center

$25 per month
Stacy Stratmoen
stacys@dwby.k12.mn.us
(320)312-2302

SCAN THE CODE TO PAY ONLINE

Summer Food Program

Monday - Friday
Breakfast 8:00 - 9:30 am
Lunch 11:00 - 12:15 pm
DATES
June 8-August 14
Closed 6/19, 7/3, 7/30
Camey Maland
cmaland@dwby.k12.mn.us
(320)312-2314

Athletics/Community Ed Transportation

Summer Rec
June 8 - July 23
No Classes the week of July 6-10

Carrie Kleven
ckleven@dwby.k12.mn.us
(320)312-2318

A NOTE FROM PRINCIPAL HIEDEMAN



Dawson-Boyd Community Members,
As we head into the final stretch of the school year at Stevens Elementary, I want to take a moment to thank you for your continued support of Dawson-Boyd Schools. It's a busy time in our building, and our students and staff are working hard each day to finish the year strong.

Our theme for this year, Anchored in Excellence continues to shine through so many ways. We see it in the effort our students are putting into their learning, in the way they support one another, and in the pride they take in being part of our school community. There is a lot to celebrate, and we are committed to carrying the momentum through the end of the year.

As we look ahead, we are preparing to navigate into some new waters next fall. We will be welcoming several new staff members to Stevens Elementary. While change can bring some uncertainty, it also brings fresh ideas and new opportunities. What won't change is our shared commitment to doing what is best for our students. Our team - both new and returning - is dedicated to continuing the strong tradition of excellence for our Blackjacks.

As summer approaches, we encourage families to keep reading a priority. Taking advantage of local opportunities - like programs through our community libraries, or reading incentives from places like Barnes & Noble and other book sellers - can help students maintain and grow their skills. Even a few minutes of reading each day can make a big difference!
Thank you for being such an important part of our Stevens Elementary community! We look forward to finishing the year strong together and continuing to build on all the great things happening here! Go Blackjacks!

Take care,

Principal Hiedeman

BLACKJACKS
DAWSON-BOYD



2026 Summer Food Program
Free meals for children 18 and under.

Monday-Friday
Breakfast 8:00-9:30 am
Lunch 11:00-12:15 pm
June 8-Aug 14

Closed June 19, July 3, July 30

Contact: Camey Maland, FSD
cmaland@dwby.k12.mn.us
320-312-2314

FACEBOOK

Dawson-Boyd Community Education
Daycare, Preschool, Youth & Adult, Summer Rec

Dawson-Boyd Blackjacks
Athletic Information

Dawson-Boyd Public Schools
School Information & Job Postings

PLEASE CALL/EMAIL THE SCHOOL OFFICE BEFORE 8:30 A.M. IF YOUR CHILD IS ABSENT OR TARDY FOR ANY REASON.

Elementary - Laurel
(320)769-4590
lstratmoen@dwby.k12.mn.us

High School - Chelsie
(320)769-2955
cbothun@dwby.k12.mn.us

CONTACT HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL RYAN STOTESBERY
320-769-2955 OR RSTOTESBERY@DWBY.K12.MN.US

CONTACT ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL AMY HIEDEMAN
320-312-2309 OR AHIEDEMAN@DWBY.K12.MN.US

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP SIGN
FUNDRAISER UPDATE
We Reached Our Goal



Thank You For Donating!

BLACKJACK FANS

We're proud of our STATE CHAMPION TEAMS and it was time to update the Championship Signs!

Your donations have allowed us to keep celebrating the legacy of our State Champions past, present and future!


2024


2025


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2026


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SPRING SPORTS

BASEBALL
Varsity - Daren Swenson, JV and Assistant Josh Staab, Volunteer Derek Gritmacker
C Squad - Brayden Thompson

SOFTBALL
Varsity - Nick Gruwell & Assistant Alisha Schindler
C Squad - Kendra McBride

GOLF
Cory Larson & Darla Swedzinski

BOYS TENNIS
Austin Ireland & Brandon Hurley

TRACK
Head Coach John Shurb, Assistants Ben Travis, Bentley Boike, Joel Voorhees, & Paul Lowry

BLACKJACKS
DAWSON-BOYD

SPORTS PHYSICALS
Needed Every Three Years

Sports Physicals are needed in order to participate in any sports activity. New physicals will need to be scheduled for all athletes who will be in 7th and 10th grade in the fall of 2026. If you are unsure if your child needs a physical, please contact (320)312-2318 to see if one is on file. Athletes WILL NOT be allowed to participate in practice until their physical has been completed for Fall 2026.

SUMMER CAMPS

SHADOWS DANCE CAMP

Grades 7-12
MONDAYS - June 1st, 8th, 15th, 29th & July 13th, 20th & 27th
6:00 - 9:00 PM
Lac qui Parle Valley High School
Transportation Provided
FREE

GOPHER WRESTLING CAMP

Instructed by a University of MN Gopher Wrestler
July 27 and July 28
PreK-Grade 4, 9-11 am
Grade 5-grade 12, 11:30-1:30 pm
Dawson-Boyd Multi Purpose Room
$40/both days

SUMMER TENNIS CAMP

June 23-26
9-10 am grades 4-6
10:15-10:45 am PreK-K
11-11:45 am grades 1-3
City of Dawson Tennis Courts (elementary gym if rain)
Cost: $20
Shelby Moen
Tennis Lessons will be held at the Dawson City Tennis Courts. Please bring your own tennis racket and make sure that it is labeled. Students will learn the basics of tennis, how to score, and rules of the game, besides having fun! Register through the Dawson-Boyd Community Ed Tab dawsonboydschools.org.

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SUMMER REC

SPEED & AGILITY/WEIGHT ROOM

STARTS MONDAY, JUNE 1
Boys Speed and Agility | Tuesdays and Thursdays | 8:00-8:45 AM | GRADES 5-12
Boys Weight Room | Mondays-Thursdays | 9-10:30 AM | GRADES 5-12
Boys Basketball | Mondays | 8:00-9:30 AM | Wednesdays | 8:00-8:45 AM | GRADES 7-12

Girls Speed and Agility | Mondays and Wednesdays | 7:15-8:00 AM | GRADES 5-12
Girls Weight Room | Tuesdays and Thursdays | 7:15-8:00 AM | GRADES 5-12
Girls Basketball | Tuesdays and Thursdays | 8-9:30 AM | GRADES 7-12

DAYCARE INFORMATION

DAYCARE STAFF

Fulltime Staff
Mattiah Kemen
Angela Forsberg
Samantha Ramos
Tracy Devorak
Kendra McBride
Julie Overton
Paige Conover
Madison Peterson
Amber Anderson
Lauren Munsterman
Caitlyn Franzky
Karoline Dahl
Natalie Kallhoff
Samantha Jones

Part-Time Staff
Jordan Maland
Ethan Myers
Sally Petersen
Allysa Hurley
Michelle Ellefson
Mariah Schacherer
Isabella Longhenry

High School Staff
Rylin Viesmann
Shay Bothun
Quinn Larson
Larain Steinke
Breah Kosbab
Gracelyn Enevoldsen

SUMMER CARE

- Full day Junior Jacks care will begin Tuesday, May 26.
- Staff will help students get to and From Summer Rec activities.
- Students will receive free breakfast, lunch & snack.

DAYS BLACKJACK CHILDCARE IS CLOSED

- Memorial Day (May 25)
- Juneteenth (June 19)
- Independence Day (July 3)
- Staff Training (August 24)

Parent Aware
Highest Possible Rating

CENSUS

If you are new to the school district with a preschool child, have a new baby, or just unsure if your child is on the census, please call Stacy Stratmoen (320)312-2302 to have your child's name placed on the census to get the latest mailings for Early Childhood Family Education, receive notifications about Preschool Screening and Preschool.












WE ARE hiring!

Employment Opportunities:

Certified Staff

- 26-27 Secondary Math Teacher
- 26-27 Elementary Teacher
- 26-27 .5 Spanish Teacher
- 26-27 .4 Agriculture Teacher

Non-Certified Staff

- 26-27 C Squad Volleyball Coach
- 26-27 JH Volleyball Coach
- 26-27 JH Girls Basketball Coach
- 26-27 JH Boys Basketball Coach
- Childcare Workers
- PM Bus Drivers

Go to www.dawsonboydschools.org to apply.

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Apply Online

Spanish Application

WE ARE hiring!

Summer Employment:

Education Express

- 1 Elementary Teacher
- 1 Paraprofessional

Extended School Year

- 1 Speech Language Pathologist
- 1 Special Education Teacher
- 1 Paraprofessional

Go to www.dawsonboydschools.org to apply.

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WE ARE hiring!

Summer Employment:

Summer Agriculture Program

June 10 - Aug 6, 2026 (half days)

- Agriculture Teacher
- Secondary Math Teacher
- Secondary Science Teacher
- Secondary English Teacher
- Secondary Social Studies Teacher

Non-Certified Staff

- Custodial
- Painting
- Summer Rec Coordinator
- Baseball Coaches
- Softball Coaches
- TBall Coaches
- Basketball Coaches
- Soccer Coaches
- High-School Summer Cleaners

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SIGN UPS

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

Classes Instructed by Catalina Worden at the Dawson-Boyd School on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 5-8PM in room D112.

Habrá clases de Inglés como segundo lenguaje. Las clases se llevarán a cabo en la escuela de Dawson Boyd cada Martes y Miércoles salón D112 de 5-8pm. Las clases las dará la instructora Catalina Worden.

FREE SUMMER MEALS

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June 8-Aug 14

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320-312-2314



BLOOD DRIVE

Wednesday, July 29, 2026
12 - 6 PM
Dawson-Boyd Multi-Purpose Room
(high school wrestling room)



VIKINGS CAMP

Montevideo is hosting a Vikings Camp open to area youth. June 16th from noon to 2:30 pm. Registration opens at 11 am. Watch the Montevideo Community Ed Page for information





MINNESOTA TWINS BASEBALL

THURSDAY, JULY 30

8:00 AM • school bus leaves from Montevideo Middle School
12:10 PM • game time at Target Field
6:30 PM • approximate return time

$40/PERSON

Register by July 9

PRAIRIE 5 RIDES

PRAIRIE FIVE RIDES SUMMER YOUTH RATES
Prairie Five Rides will be offering transportation services to
Summer Rec Activities for the summer. Ride requests may
be made by
calling dispatch (877)757-4337
OPERATING HOURS: 7:15-4:45
COSTS:
Unlimited Summer Youth Pass $40.00
Youth Punch Card-25 rides $25.00
Single Rides $2.00/ride

DAWSON PUBLIC LIBRARY

SCAN THE QR CODE TO FOLLOW THE DAWSON LIBRARIES FACEBOOK PAGE & SEE THEIR SUMMER HAPPENINGS

BLACKJACKS
DAWSON-BOYD

ECFE

ECFE Tie - Dye and Goo Party

Create your own unique tie-dyed shirt just in time for summer and make stretchy, squishy slime! Come play with a variety of colors as you customize a white T-shirt or tank top you bring to the class. We will have additional items to tie dye such as bandanas or scrunchies.

Then, dive into ooey, gooey, mesmerizing slime creations that you can squish, stretch, and play with. This hands-on adventure is messy, wild, and full of self-expression—perfect for kids who love color, creativity, and a little bit of chaos!

Date: July 22, 2026
Age 2 - First Grade with Parents (Parent participation is required.)
Time: 4:15 - 5:00
Location: Shelter in Pool Park (Weather permitting) alternate location High School Cafeteria
Cost: $ 9.00
Need to bring: White cotton t-shirt or tank top
Instructor: Stephanie Kelly

ECFE Playground Fun

Join us at the playground for fun in the sun and a chance to connect with other parents! We will focus on gross motor skills, sensory exploration, and social interaction for children ages birth to 7 years old.

There will be a variety of hands-on stations set up for you and your child to explore together. We look forward to seeing you there for a morning of play, learning, and fun! (Parent participation is required.)

Date: June 22 @ 5:00
Date: July 21 @ 11:00
Date: August 5 @ 10:00
Age 2 - First Grade with Parents
Location: School Playground (Weather permitting) alternate location High School Cafeteria
Cost: Free Will Donation
Instructor: Stephanie Kelly

ECFE Rock Painting

Share Smiles throughout our community with Rock painting!
This hands-on activity encourages creativity, fine motor skills, exploration, and a deeper appreciation for nature. Families are able to get physically active together while looking for the rocks they made in this class.

We will paint rocks with a positive word or picture on it. We will leave it for someone else to find it in the community. We will paint, seal and place these around the community.

Date: June 23, 2026
Age 2 - First Grade with Parents (Parent participation is required.)
Time: 4:15 - 5:00
Location: Shelter in Pool Park (Weather permitting) alternate location High School Cafeteria
Cost: $ 9.00
Instructor: Stephanie Kelly

SCHOOL AGE

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Date: July 22, 2026
Age - Second - Sixth Grade
Time: 3:15 - 4:00
Location: Shelter in Pool Park (Weather permitting) alternate location High School Cafeteria
Cost: $ 13.00 (per person)
Need to bring: White cotton t-shirt or tank top
Instructor: Stephanie Kelly

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Instructor: Stephanie Kelly

FITNESS CENTER

FITNESS CENTER HOURS

Fitness Center Hours of Operation: Open 7 days a week from 4:30 am - 10 pm. Doors will lock at 9:30pm

MEMBERSHIP

Fitness Center Membership - $25 per month - please check with your insurance company for reimbursements. Included in the membership is use of the locker room, fitness center, weight room, gym and walking.

APPROPRIATE CLOTHING

Please remember that appropriate shirts, bottoms, and clean shoes must be worn at all times in the fitness center. You will be asked to leave if you are not dressed appropriately. Shirts are required at all times. If you continue to violate this, your membership will not be renewed.

NOTICE

Your FOB is issued to YOU and only YOU. Members found to be sharing their FOBS with non-members - family or friends - are subject to their membership being terminated without notice. Children are not allowed in the fitness center. FOBS will be turned off if this is an issue. Please report any damage or misuse to the Community Ed Office (320)312-2318

PAYMENTS

- **Cash**
- **Check**
- **Credit Card**
- **Online**

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DBAA

SATURDAY, JUNE 27

Old MacDonald Had A Banjo (FREE)

1:00pm at Swimming Pool Park Main Shelter. Energetic family event presented by Dawson-Boyd Arts Association. A farm full of songs bursting out to entertain and involve children in singing, movement and silliness. Event sponsors are Minnwest Bank and Dawson Riverfest.

ABBAFAB - A Tribute to ABBA

7:00pm at Memorial Auditorium. Presented by Dawson-Boyd Arts Association. Featuring hits of the 70s and 80s to Mamma Mia. Tickets are available online at dawsonboydartspresents.org or by calling 320-312-2311 or at the door - $40 adults, $15 students. Event sponsors are Greater Community Credit Union and Dawson Area Chamber of Commerce.

SUMMER MUSICAL

What: Summer Musical

Where: Memorial Auditorium

Cost: $29 Dollars per participant (Includes t-shirt to wear for performance)

Who:

- Kids in grades 2-6 can participate in the children's chorus. They will dance and sing in several songs throughout the full musical. Sign up before May 22nd
- 7-12 grade students and adults can audition with Mr. Hurley at their convenience before May 21st. Contact Mr. Hurley at bhurley@dwby.k12.mn.us to schedule an audition time.

PERFORMANCE DATES: July 17th - 19th. Friday/Saturday @ 7 PM. Sunday @ 2 PM.

- Special note that the performances will require students to be there from 6:30 till about 9:30 for your planning purposes.

Scan the QR Code to Sign up

Costume Requirements

- A shirt will be provided to wear for the performance
- Students will need shoes they can dance in (no sandals)
- Students will also need blue jeans to wear for the performance.

Rehearsal Schedule:

- For students in the children's choir (Leaving Grade 2-6)
- We will practice from 1:00 - 2:00 PM the following days
  - June 1st-4th, (M,T,W,Th)
  - June 8th-11th, (M,T,W,Th)
  - June 22st-24th (M,T,W)
  - June 29th-July 1st (M,T,W)
  - July 6th-9th (M,T,W,Th)
- July 13th-16th: As we get closer to performance time, they will be required to come to some evening practices. Most likely, some rehearsal from 6:30 till maybe 8, and then 1 true dress rehearsal from 7 till 9:30

Dawson-Boyd Public Schools Academic Calendar | 2026 to 2027

Jul 2026

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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26	27	28	29	30	31	

0 Student / 0 Teacher

Aug 2026

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23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31	3 Student / 6.5 Teacher				

Sep 2026

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20 Student / 20 Teacher

Oct 2026

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17k-6 / 21ElemTch 18 HS / 20.5HSTch

Nov 2026

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29	30					

18Student / 18ElemTch / 18.5HSTch

Dec 2026

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17 Student / 17 Teacher

Jan 2027

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31	18 Student / 20 Teacher					

Feb 2027

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28						

18Student/18 Teacher

Mar 2027

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Important dates

Aug 12 – Para Training
Aug 20 – New Teacher Orientation
Aug 24, 25, 26 – Teacher Inservice
Aug 25 – Open House (5:30-7:30PM)
Aug 27 – First Day of School
Sep 4 – NO SCHOOL
Sep 7 – NO SCHOOL
Sep 18 – 2 hour early out – Teacher PD
Oct 12 – Elem and HS Conferences (3:30 – 7:30PM)
Oct 13 – Elementary Conferences (7:30AM – 7:30PM) – NO SCHOOL ELEM ONLY
Oct 14 – MRVED Inservice – NO SCHOOL
Oct 15, 16 – MEA NO SCHOOL
Oct 29 – 2 hour early out – End of Quarter 1 (40 Days Elem / 41 Days HS)
Oct 30 – Teacher Inservice – NO SCHOOL
Nov 2 – HS Conferences (3:30-7:30)
Nov 24 – 2 hour early out – Teacher PD Nov 25, 26, 27 – NO SCHOOL
Dec 18 – 2 hour early out – Teacher PD
Dec 24-25, 28-31 – NO SCHOOL
Jan 1 – NO SCHOOL
Jan 14 – 2 hour early out – End of Quarter 2 (44 Days)
Jan 15 – Teacher Inservice – NO SCHOOL
Jan 18 – MRVED Common Inservice – NO SCHOOL
Feb 11 – 2 hour early out – Teacher PD
Feb 12 – NO SCHOOL
Feb 15 – NO SCHOOL
Mar 18 – End of Quarter 3 (41 Days)
Mar 19 – Teacher Inservice – NO SCHOOL
Mar 23 – Conferences (3:30-7:30PM)
Mar 24 – 2 hour early out – Teacher PD
Mar 25 – Teacher Inservice – NO SCHOOL
Mar 26 – NO SCHOOL
Mar 29 – NO SCHOOL
Apr 16 – 2 hour early out–TeacherPD
May 26 – 2 hour early out–EndofQuarter 4 (45 Days) – Last Day ofSchool
May 27 – Teacher Inservice
May 28 - Graduation 6:00pm

Student Days = 170.0	(k-6),	171.0(7-12)
Teacher Days = 10.5		10.5
Conferences	= 2.5	1.5
Total	= 183.0	183.0

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Morado- Conferencias k-6 Mar PM Conferencias 7-12 Dor- Regreso a casa Verde azulado - Orientación para nuevos maestros
Lima - Capacitación para paraprofesionales Gris – Salida temprana de 2 horas

Important dates

ago 12 – Capacitación para paraprofesionales
ago 20 – Orientación para nuevos maestros
ago 24, 25, 26 – Capacitación para maestros
ago 25 – Casa abierta (5:30-7:30PM)
ago 27 – Primer día de clases
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sep 7 – NO HAY CLASES
sep 18 – Salida temprana de 2 h – DP maestros
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oct 14 – Capac. MRVED – No hay clases
oct 15, 16 – MEA – No hay clases
oct 29 – Salida temprana de 2 h – Fin de trim.1 (40 Days Prim / 41 Days Sec)
oct 30 – Capac. maestros – No hay clases
nov 2 – HS Conferencias Sec. (3:30-7:30)
nov 24 – Salida temprana de 2 h – DP maestros
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feb 11 – Salida temprana de 2 h – DP maestros
feb 12 – NO HAY CLASES
feb 15 – NO HAY CLASES
mar 18 – Fin de trim. 3 (41 Days)
mar 19 – Capac. maestros – No hay clases
mar 23 – Conferencias (3:30-7:30PM)
mar 24 Salida temprana de 2 h – DP maestros
mar 25 Capac. maestros – No hay clases
mar 26 – NO HAY CLASES
mar 29 – NO HAY CLASES
abr 16 – Salida temprana de 2 h – DP maestros
may 26 Salida temprana de 2 h – Fin de trim. 4 (45 Days) – Último día de clases
may 27 – Capac. maestros
may 28 - Graduación 6:00pm

Estudiante Days = 170.0 (k-6), 171.0 (7-12)

Maestro Days =	10.5	10.5
Conferencias	= 2.5	1.5
Total	= 183.0	183.0

Johnson Memorial Health Services

Healthcare Summer Camp

July 14, 2026 | 8 am

Discover Healthcare Careers This Summer!

Join usfor a hands-on, behind-the-scenes look at the exciting world of healthcare!



- Chance to win scholarships
- Explore hospital departments
- Connect with Medical Professionals

Open to students in grades 9–12

Whether you're alreadypassionate about healthcare or want to learn something new, this camp is all about ***fun***, ***discovery***, and ***inspiration***.

To learn more or register visit jmhsmn.org

Registrations due by June 30, 2026

JMHS Johnson Memorial Health Services

High Quality, Compassionate Healthcare.

JM Foundation

It all comes back to you.

COMMUNITY ED

DRIVERS TRAINING

The classroom portion of the driver's education training will begin Sunday, May 17, with the first half hour as a parent meeting. Will add 2 times for missed sessions-if needed.

- Sunday, May 17 5-8 PM - parents present 5-5:30
- Tuesday, May 26 8-11 AM
- Wednesday, May 27 8-11 AM
- Friday, May 29 8-11 AM
- Sunday, May 31 5-8 PM
- Monday June 1 8-11 AM
- Wednesday, June 3 8-11 AM
- Thursday, June 4 8-11 AM
- Friday, June 5 8-11 AM
- Sunday, June 7 5-8 PM - parents present 7:30-8

Starting Fall of 2026 Driver's Ed Classroom will be part of the class schedule for all incoming Freshman at no charge

- All students must complete 30 hours of classroom training.
- If your child misses, or have missed more than 2 regularly scheduled class sessions, they will have to retake the entire course, as there are only 2 makeup training sessions scheduled.
- The first step to becoming a licensed driver in MN is to obtain an instructional permit.
- To obtain a permit, you must meet the following requirements (among others):
  - Be at least 15 years of age
  - Have completed 30 hours of classroom instruction (not required when over 18 years of age). White card issued upon completion.
  - Pass a vision screening and knowledge test
- The second step is obtaining a provisional license. To qualify for a provisional license, you must:
  - Be at least 16 years of age
  - Have completed 6 hours of behind the wheel training. Blue card issued upon completion.
  - Hold an instructional permit for 6 months without a violation
  - Submit a supervised driving log. Two options are:
    - Complete 40 hours, including 15 night hours, of supervised driving when the parent/guardian has attended the supplemental parent class
    - Complete 50 hours, including 15 night hours, of supervised driving when the parent/guardian has not attended the supplemental parent class.
- Fees and Registration:
  - Classroom instruction is $125
  - Behind the wheel training is $250

FACILITY RENTAL

- Everyone must fill out a Facility Use Application and Permit Form. The forms are available on the school website and the District Office.
- The applicant will be informed when final approval has been made.
- Facility Use Application and Permit Forms must be submitted at least ten working days prior to the requested use.
- Checks should be made payable to: Dawson-Boyd School.

We are looking for parent volunteers to coach K-2 basketball. If you are interested in helping, please contact Community Education 320-312-2318

COMMUNITY ED POLICY

The Dawson-Boyd Community Education Department does not provide accident insurance for participants in any of its programs/activities. Participants assume all inherent risk of injury resulting from their involvement in programs or activities.

SUMMER REC

SUMMER REC

Use GRADE ENTERING the fall of 2026 when registering for all Summer Rec classes. Summer Rec classes will begin on June 8 and end on July 23. There will be no classes on June 19 or the week of July 6 - July 9. Students must be registered by May 22. Pre-registration is required for all classes.

Dawson-Boyd Community Education, #378, or the city of Dawson, is not responsible for providing health or hospital insurance. Registering on-line is your permission to have your child participate in the Summer Rec Activities. You are giving permission for your child to participate in the activity registered for and you further release the Dawson-Boyd School, the City of Dawson, Athletic Department, Community Ed personnel from any liability in the event of an accident.

If we do not have summer rec coaches by May 22 there will be no Basketball, Football or Soccer this summer.

Elementary Activities	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
9:00 am - 9:45 am	4-6 year old T-Ball Elementary Playground	K-6 Wrestling Multi-Purpose Room	K-6 Wrestling Multi-Purpose Room	4-6 year old T-Ball Elementary Playground
9:45 am - 10:30 am	Grades 1-2 T-Ball Elementary Playground			Grades 1-2 T-Ball Elementary Playground
9:45 am -10:45 am		Grades 3-6 Basketball Community Center Gym		Grades 3-6 Basketball Community Center Gym
10:45 am - 11:45 am	Grades 3-6 Football Elementary Playground	K-6 Soccer Elementary Playground	Grades 3-6 Football Elementary Playground	K-6 Soccer Elementary Playground

High School Activities	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
7:00 am - 7:50 am	Girls Grades 5-12 Speed & Agility	Girls Grades 5-12 Weight Room	Girls Grades 5-12 Speed & Agility	Girls Grades 5-12 Weight Room
8:00 am - 8:45 am		Boys Grades 5-12 Speed & Agility	Boys Grades 7-12 Basketball	Boys Grades 5-12 Speed & Agility
8:00 am - 9:30 am	Boys Grades 7-12 Basketball	Girls Grades 7-12 Basketball		Girls Grades 7-12 Basketball
8:45 am - 10:15 am			Girls Grades 7-12 Volleyball	
9:00 am - 10:30 am	Boys Grades 5-12 Weight Room	Boys Grades 5-12 Weight Room	Boys Grades 5-12 Weight Room	Boys Grades 5-12 Weight Room

SUMMER REC FEES

T-Ball	Basketball	Football	Soccer	Wrestling	Speed & Agility/Weight Room
$50	$25	$25	$25	$25	$50 per athlete or $90 per family

Please use the grade your student is going into in the fall for registering for summer rec activities!
Payments MUST BE RECEIVED by May 22, 2026.

LAC QUI PARLE 4-H SUMMER PROGRAMMING!

– JUNE–

Kites in Flight Day Camp, Grades K-2

Date: Monday, June 1
Morning Session: Crossroads Lutheran Church
Time: 10:00 a.m. - Noon
Afternoon Session: 4-H Exhibit Building, Madison
Time: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Cost : Free

What makes a kite soar? Youth will learn the parts of a kite and how each one affects flight. Then they'll design, build, and test their own experiments to see what really makes a kite fly high!

Blast Off Straw Rocket Day Camp, Grades 3-5

Date: Wednesday, June 8
Morning Session:: Crossroads Lutheran Church
Time: 10:00 - 12:00a.m.
Afternoon Session: 4-H Exhibit Building, Madison
Time: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Cost: Free

Get ready for lift-off! Youth will explore the parts of a rocket and discover how each piece affects flight. Then it's time to design, build, and launch straw rockets while testing their own experiments. Hands-on, high-flying fun awaits!

Garden Gurus, Grades 3-8

Dates: Tuesday, June 2, 9, and 16
Morning Session: Crossroads Lutheran Church
Time: 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
Afternoon Session: 4-H Exhibit Building, Madison
Time: 1:00 - 2:30 p.m.
Cost: $5 for all three sessions

Get ready to dig in and grow something amazing! In this hands-on gardening series, youth will explore the colorful world of flowers, tasty vegetables, and fragrant herbs while learning how to plant, grow, and care for their own plants. Each session is packed with fun activities and ends with a plant to take home and watch grow. Come get your hands a little dirty and discover how exciting gardening can be!

Science Seekers, Grades K-2

Dates: Thursday, June 4, 11, and 18
Morning Session: Crossroads Lutheran Church; 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
Afternoon Session: 4-H Exhibit Building, Madison; 1:00 - 2:30 p.m.
Cost: $5 for all three sessions

Get ready to experiment, build, and discover in this exciting hands-on science series! Youth will explore amazing reactions, creative engineering challenges, and fun experiments that make science come to life. Each session includes a project to try and something to take home and keep exploring. Put on your scientist hat and get ready for a series full of curiosity, creativity, and discovery!

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA EXTENSION

– JULY–

Bake and Create, Grades K-2
Dates: Wednesday, July 7 and 14
Morning Session: Crossroads Lutheran Church; 10:00 - 12:00 p.m.
Afternoon Session: 4-H Food Stand, Madison; 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Cost: $10 for both sessions

Calling all young bakers! In this delicious baking series, youth will learn how to mix, bake, and decorate sweet treats like cupcakes, cookies, and brownie ice cream cones. Each session is packed with hands-on fun as participants create their own desserts and learn new baking skills. Best of all, they'll take home a few tasty treats to share (or enjoy themselves)!

Fishing Sports Day Camp, Grades 3-8
Hosted with MinnKota Tackle, Madison, MN
Date: Thursday, July 9
Location: 4-H Exhibit Building, Madison; 1:00 - 3:30 p.m.
Cost: Free

Cast into adventure with this fun youth fishing sports series! Participants will learn about native fish species, fishing gear, and the basics of tackle while getting hands-on creating some of their own. Each session includes a chance to design and build tackle to bring home and test on the water. Get ready to reel in new skills and make something fish can't resist!

– WEATHER ANNOUNCEMENTS –

Please watch for email announcements from thom8004@umn.edu in case programs need to be rescheduled due to weather-related concerns.

– REGISTRATION –

Register through Lac qui Parle Valley Community Education for programs hosted in Madison
Register through Dawson-Boyd Community Education programs hosted in Dawson

Youth should be registered using the grade completed spring of 2026.

For programs with a registration fee please mail or deliver checks to the Lac qui Parle County Extension Office at 930 1st Ave, Madison, MN 56256. Checks can be written to "Lac qui Parle County 4-H Leader's Council"

2026

Class Night

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13 | 7:00 PM | AUDITORIUM

Baccalaureate

GRACE CHURCH

WEDNESDAY, MAY 20 | 7:30 PM

GRACE CHURCH

Seniors' Last Day

THURSDAY, MAY 21 | DAWSON-BOYD HIGH SCHOOL

10 AM - COMMENCEMENT PRACTICE

11:30 AM - SENIOR COOKOUT

SUNDAY, MAY 24 | 2:30 PM | HS GYM

Commencement

Blackjack Child Care

2026-27 Parent Handbook

Blackjack Babies

Little Jacks

Junior Jacks

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This handbook is intended to familiarize families with current policies, practices and standards. Dawson-Boyd Schools reserves the right to revise its policies, practices and standards as needed and families will be notified of any handbook updates. Handbooks are available to parents at any time and are in each classroom, Stevens Elementary Office, Dawson-Boyd District Office and on the school website.

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District Mission and Vision

The Dawson-Boyd School District provides students with a well-rounded education promoting academic achievement and creative artistic expression; nurtured through a caring community and dedicated staff committed to inspire all learners to excel, create, respect, and succeed.

Mission Statement

Blackjack Child Care strives to provide quality child care in a warm, welcoming, nurturing, and fun environment. Our goals are to value the importance of character, commitment to the family, commitment to the community, respect for the individual, and celebrating our differences.

Parents Code of Conduct

Blackjack Child Care requires the parents of enrolled children at all times, to behave in a manner consistent with decency, courtesy, and respect. One of the goals of Blackjack Child Care is to provide the most appropriate environment in which a child can grow, learn and develop. Achieving this ideal environment is not only the responsibility of our employees, but is the responsibility of each and every parent or adult who enters the building. Parents are required to behave in a manner that fosters this ideal environment. Failure to follow the Parent Code of Conduct may result in restricted access to the facility and/or termination of childcare services.

MN DHS Licensing/Certification Information

Blackjack Babies (#1098139) Infants and Toddlers is licensed by the Minnesota Department of Human Services, Division of Licensing. 651-431-6500. A copy of Minnesota Administrative Rules 9503.005-9503.0170 and Minnesota Statutes 245A, 245C and 626.556 are available for parents to view at any time. Little Jacks and Junior Jacks (#1106065) Programs are certified by the Minnesota Department of Human Services, Division of Licensing. A copy of our Child Care Program Plan, Risk Reduction Plan, Child Care Emergency Plan and Mandated Reporting Policies are available to view at any time as well.

Blackjack Babies Infant and Toddler programs are licensed (#1098139) by the Minnesota Department of Human Services. The Littles and Junior Jacks classrooms are certified (#1106065) by the Minnesota Department of Human Services.

SERVICE CAPACITY: We are licensed to care for up to 41 children at a time. The number of infants and toddlers may change based on the needs of the children, transitions between rooms, and staffing. We always stay within Minnesota licensing ratios to ensure children are safely supervised. The maximum child: staff ratio is 4:1 Infants, 7:1 Toddlers, 10:1 Littles, 15:1 Juniors.

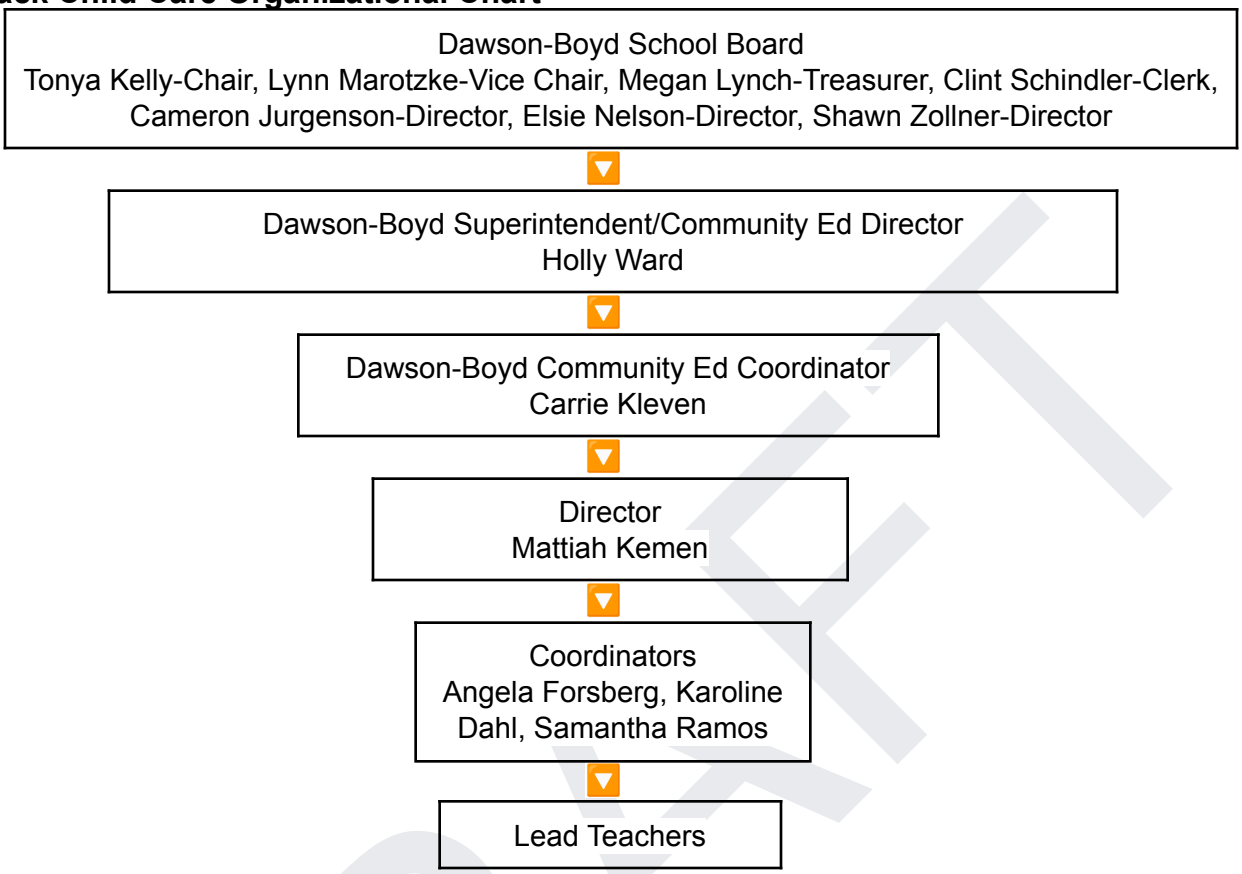
AGE LIMITS: Blackjack Babies Infants 6 weeks-18 months, Toddlers 16 months-35 months, Little Jacks provides care to children 33 months to kindergarten and Junior Jacks is school age children.

Location and Contact Information

Blackjack Child Care 848 Chestnut Street Dawson, MN 56232
Blackjack Child Care Director: Mattiah Kemen email mkemen@dwby.k12.mn.us, phone (320)312-2319
Dawson-Boyd Community Coordinator Office: Carrie Kleven email ckleven@dwby.k12.mn.us, phone (320)312-2318
Community Ed Director Holly Ward email hward@dwby.k12.mn.us, phone (320)312-2301

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Blackjack Child Care Organizational Chart



Blackjack Child Care Hours of Operation

Monday - Friday 7:00am to 5:30pm
Junior Jacks Before & After School Hours: 7:00am to 8:15am & 3:00pm to 5:30pm
Non-School Days/Summer Hours: 7:00am to 5:30pm

Scheduled Closings

Blackjack Child Care Programs will be closed on: New Year's Day, President's Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Memorial Day, Juneteenth, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Friday after Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and New Year's Eve.

If one of these holidays falls on a Saturday we will be closed the Friday before, if the holiday lands on a Sunday we will be closed the Monday after.

You will only be charged for 10 holidays, New Year's Day, President's Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Memorial Day, Juneteenth, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day, along with two professional development days. These professional development days are paid.

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Blackjack Child Care Rules & Regulations

- Blackjack Child Care Programs follow the CACFP nondiscrimination policy. USDA programs do not discriminate based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or other protected categories. This policy is available upon request.
- Blackjack Child Care Programs are covered by liability insurance provided through the Dawson-Boyd School District.
- Blackjack Child Care Program Plan will be reviewed annually by the staff to evaluate and redevelop low focus areas and adapt the program plan according to those needs. A copy of the Child Care Program Plan is given to parents at enrollment and may be seen at the center at any time.
- Blackjack Child Care Risk Reduction Plan, Child Care Emergency Plan, and the Dawson-Boyd School District Emergency Plan will be reviewed annually by all staff.
- All children will be supervised at all times when they are present and under the care of the Blackjack Child Care Programs.
- Child enrollment forms, contracts, policies, and procedures will be reviewed and updated annually, and as needed.
- Tuition rates will be reviewed and may be revised beginning July 1 of each year.

Nondiscrimination Statement

In accordance with federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation), disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights Activity. Program information may be made available in languages other than English. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication to obtain program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language), should contact the responsible state or local agency that administers the program or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

To file a program discrimination complaint, a Complainant should complete a Form AD-3027, USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form which can be obtained online at: https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/USDA-OASCR%20P-Complaint-Form-0508-0002-508-11-28-17Fax2Mail.pdf, from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-9992, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA.

The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by:

1. mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture
   Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
   1400 Independence Avenue, SW
   Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
2. fax: (202) 690-7442; or
3. email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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Program Enrichment

At Blackjack Child Care, children learn through hands-on experiences, play, and exploration. Our program supports each child's development through a balance of active play, quiet activities, teacher-led experiences, and child-led learning.

We focus on building:

- Social skills and relationships
- Independence and confidence
- Problem-solving and creativity
- Physical development

Activities are based on children's interests and are developmentally appropriate for each age group.

Infants (6 weeks - 16 Months)

Infants follow individualized schedules based on their needs. Care focuses on building trust, meeting basic needs, and supporting early development through:

- Feeding, diapering, and rest routines
- Sensory play and movement
- One-on-one interaction and bonding
- Safe exploration of their environment

Toddlers (16 - 33 Months)

Toddlers are learning independence and how to interact with others. We provide:

- Hands-on play and exploration
- Sensory activities and movement
- Early Language and communication support
- Opportunities to practice social skills and routines

Little Jacks (33 Months - Kindergarten)

Little Jacks are building school readiness skills. Activities include:

- Early literacy and math concepts
- Creative play, art, and pretend play
- Group activities and following routines
- Problem-solving and independence

Junior Jacks (School Age)

Junior Jacks are supported with both structure and choice. We offer:

- Homework support
- Outdoor and active play
- Group games and social activities
- Choice-based activities to encourage independence

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Goals and Objectives

The Blackjack Child Care's goal is to promote physical, intellectual, social, and emotional growth and development through planning interactive lessons, hands-on exploration activities both indoors and outdoors, cultural experiences, a balance of quiet and active child-directed & teacher-directed activities. The staff provide each child with several opportunities to manipulate, discover, investigate, and engage in a variety of materials and equipment to enhance educational experiences and learning in the following areas:

- Creative Arts
- Construction/Blocks
- Dramatic Play
- Science
- Music & Movement
- Fine Motor Activities
- Large Motor Activities
- Literacy
- Sensory Stimulation Activities

Children in the center are observed and documentation is recorded to track each child's progression in the categories of cognitive, physical, social, and emotional development. Documentation is shared with parents supporting lesson development and activities to meet the individual needs for each child. Parent/Teacher conferences are conducted each spring and fall. Teachers or parents may call or email at any time to discuss concerns related to their child at any time.

Supervision of Children

"Supervision" means when a program staff person is within sight and hearing of a child at all times so that the program staff can intervene to protect the health and safety of the child. When an infant is placed in a crib room to sleep, supervision occurs when a staff person is within sight or hearing of the infant. Staff are always within hearing of sleeping infants in the crib room and will physically look in on sleeping infants regularly, at least every 15 minutes to ensure all components of supervision are taking place.

When a single preschool or school-age child uses the restroom within the licensed space, supervision occurs when a program staff person has knowledge of the child's activity and location, can hear the child, and checks on the child at least every five minutes. When a preschool or school-age child uses the restroom outside the licensed space, including but not limited to field trips, supervision occurs when staff accompany children to the restroom.

When a preschool or school-age child leaves the classroom but remains within the licensed space to deliver or retrieve items from the child's personal storage space, supervision occurs when a program staff person has knowledge of the child's activity and location, checking on the child every five minutes.

Staff are responsible for maintaining proper staff/child ratios at all times. Staff are trained to continuously take attendance of children to ensure all are present and accounted for. Staff are to position themselves in a manner that allows them to view all children at all times both indoors and outdoors. Staff maintain active supervision at all times, including positioning, scanning, and frequent head counts.

Child Registration & Enrollment

Registration by a parent or guardian is required prior to a child's attendance at Blackjack Child Care. Registration Forms are available at the Dawson-Boyd School, on the Dawson-Boyd School website, under

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the Community Education tab or you may contact the Blackjack Child Care Director. All forms must be completed and returned.

Each child's file must contain the following information BEFORE their first enrolled date.

- Child Registration Information Packet
- Contract for Services and Enrollment Form
- Health Care Summary
- Immunization Form
- Personal Information Form
- Topical Ointment Form
- Research & Transportation Permission Form
- Special Diet Statement (*)
- Individualize Child Care Program Plan (*)
- CACFP Forms
- Infant Feeding Schedule (infants only)
- Infant Rolling Over Form (*)
- Infant Swaddle Consent (+)
- Physician Directive/Alternative Sleep Position (+)
- Payment information

(*) if applicable (+) optional

Key Fobs

We will be using fobs to get in the door down by the infant room and the main elementary office door. You can access these 2 doors with the key fob before school hours (7-8:30) and after school hours(3:15-5:30). It will also give you access on days there isn't school. The first key fob is given to you free of charge but if it is lost and you need another it is $25 per key fob. Each family will be given one for mom and one for dad. For the safety of our students and staff key fobs are not to be shared with family or friends.

TUITION AND FEES

Tuition Fees and Payments

On your contract, please choose the specific days of the week that you want to reserve for your child. You are then charged for those days until you withdraw from the contract. To support scheduling and staffing needs, families are expected to follow the schedule they contract for. All contracted childcare fees are prepaid and charged weekly on the Friday preceding the week through Brightwheel. Invoices are available on your Brightwheel Account. Tuition is based on reserved space, not attendance. Contracted charges are based on the same scheduled days and hours each week. Payment is required for contracted days regardless of attendance.

Blackjack Child Care Tuition fees are as follows per child:

- Infants (6 weeks-18 months) 5 day contract $190, drop in $50/day
- Toddlers (16 months-35 months) 5 day contract $180, drop in $50/day
- Littles (33 months-Kindergarten) 5 day contract $175, drop in $45/day, before school $5, after school $10, drop in before school $8, after school $13
- Juniors(school age) 5 day before and after school contract $70, before school $5, after school $10, drop in before school $8, after school $13, full day $31, drop in $45

Any payments returned as NSF will result in a fee of $35. Two or more returned payments will result in cash only pre-payments to be accepted. Continued late or non-payment may result in suspension or termination of services.

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Parents agree to have all contracted tuition fees automatically withdrawn on a weekly basis each Friday, prior to the upcoming week of care. All payments will be processed through Brightwheel.

A late fee of $15 per day, including weekends, will be applied to accounts with outstanding balances until payment is made in full. If tuition and late fees remain unpaid for two consecutive weeks, child care services will be suspended until full payment is received.

Late Payment Fees

Upon enrollment, parents agree to have all contracted tuition fees automatically deducted weekly on the Friday preceding each week that each child is enrolled. Payments will be made through Brightwheel. Blackjack Child Care does not control when Brightwheel pulls autopayments. If tuition payment and late fees are overdue for two consecutive weeks, child care services will be suspended until payment is received. If service is suspended for more than two weeks without payment, your child care services will be terminated.

Waitlist Fee/Registration Fee

A non-refundable fee of $25 per child is required with the completed waitlist or registration form in order to be placed on the waitlist or registered for child care services. This fee does not guarantee enrollment.

Blackjack Child Care will contact you when a space becomes available. If we do not hear back, we will continue to reach out as openings arise unless you request otherwise. Please notify us if you secure alternative care and would like your name removed from the waitlist.

Field Trip Fees

Blackjack Child Care programs will take field trips occasionally. Field trip fees may be charged in addition to weekly tuition fees. Parents may choose not to have their child participate in field trips and acknowledge that they are responsible for finding alternative care for their child during that time, at their own expense. Contracted tuition fees will be charged at regular contracted rates.

Summer Hold Fee

If your child will not be attending Blackjack Child Care during the summer months, a 50% weekly tuition holding fee is required to maintain enrollment for the fall. This fee allows the child to attend up to two full days and one half day (ending at noon) per week.

If a paid holiday occurs during the week and the child attends two and a half days, an additional day will be charged for the holiday. If the child attends only one and a half days during a holiday week, families will not be charged for the additional holiday day.

For children enrolled on a part-time schedule, families will be charged based on their scheduled days only. Part-time care is limited to a maximum of two full days per week and one additional day ending at noon. A monthly schedule must be submitted in advance to ensure appropriate staffing. Any attendance outside of the submitted schedule will be considered drop-in care and billed accordingly.

Beginning Summer 2027, Blackjack Child Care will transition to a 100% weekly tuition holding fee for all contracts.

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Vacation Week

Children enrolled in Blackjack Child Care will receive 1 vacation day for the number of days per week they are contracted. If your child is enrolled 5 days/week, they will receive 5 vacation days, 4 days/week - 4 vacation days, 3 days/week - 3 vacation days. Vacation days must be requested at least 2 weeks in advance to ensure the weekly tuition is not billed through the Brightwheel. Vacation days do not carry over from year to year. Vacation days must be taken in consecutive days.

Payment Process

Brightwheel is used to process secure, on time tuition and fee payments to be made from either your bank account or credit card. All services must be prepaid. Tuition fees will be processed on Friday for the following week. For questions regarding Brightwheel, or your tuition fees or account, please contact Blackjack Child Care Director. All payments returned with NSF will result in a fee of $35. If tuition payment and late fees are overdue for two consecutive weeks, child care services will be suspended until payment is received. If service is suspended for more than two weeks without payment, your child care services will be terminated.

Full & Part Time Schedules

Full-time care consists of 5 scheduled days each week regardless of the number of hours each day.

Contracting for a full-time care schedule guarantees a space reserved exclusively for your child. Full-time spaces are guaranteed long-term and are given priority over part time childcare schedules.

Contracting for part time care guarantees a space for your child during the days and hours specified in the signed contract.

Drop-In Care Schedule

Drop-in days are any days outside of a child's contracted schedule. Drop-in care is not guaranteed and is based on availability and prior approval. Approved drop-in days will be billed at the current drop-in rate.

Children may attend our program on a drop-in only basis or you may add drop-in care in addition to your contracted days. Drop-In care is completely dependent on classroom attendance and ratio guidelines for all programs. Junior Jacks must call and sign their child up for care 24-hours in advance. All registration forms must be completed and returned before they will be allowed to attend.

Late Pick-Up/Late Drop offs

Our licensing agreements specify the hours each program is allowed to provide care. Program opening/closing hours are set to ensure high quality care. We are only licensed to provide care between these hours and cannot provide care before 7am or after 5:30pm. If a child is in our care past the arranged pick up time, the child's parents will be called to determine when the child will be picked up. If parents cannot be reached, the child's emergency contacts will be called to pick up the child. If a child remains in our care after 6:00 PM and we are unable to reach a parent or emergency contact, staff will contact local law enforcement to ensure the child's safety and well-being. All communication is to be done through Brightwheel only. If a child arrives after a scheduled meal time, we may not be able to provide that meal. Families are encouraged to ensure children are fed prior to arrival.

Unauthorized Pick-Up

Blackjack Child Care staff will only release children to a parent/guardian, emergency contacts, or individuals listed on the authorized pick-up list in the child's registration packet. If someone not listed will be picking up

your child, the child care program must be notified in writing prior to pick-up, which may be done through a Brightwheel message. All authorized pick-up individuals must be at least 18 years old, and children will not be released to anyone under the age of 18. When someone other than a parent or guardian arrives to pick up a child, staff will verify the individual's identity using a photo ID. If a photo ID cannot or will not be provided, the child will not be released.

Daycare Closures

If Blackjack Child Care Programs need to close or shut down for any period of time, families will be notified as soon as possible through Brightwheel. If you prefer to be contacted by another method, please let us know. If Blackjack Child Care Programs experience an unplanned closure, families will not be charged for those days. If we are closed for scheduled holidays or other non-emergency closures, families will be charged their regular contracted hours. If a closure occurs in the middle of the day, families will be charged for the full day.

Winter Weather/School Closings

Blackjack Child Care Programs will continue to operate during inclement weather. Closures and delays will be determined by the Dawson-Boyd School District. If school is 2 hours late or an e-learning day, Blackjack Child Care Programs will open at 8:00 AM. If school dismisses early, we will close at 4:00 PM. If school is closed for the day, child care will be open from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Notifications will be sent through JMC, Brightwheel, and our Facebook page for any changes to our regular hours.

Termination of Services

Parents wishing to withdraw their child from Blackjack Child Care Programs must submit a written notice and give at least a 10-working day notice. Payments must be made in advance. Blackjack Child Care Programs may terminate contract services at will. Reasons for termination may include, but are not limited to:

- Failure to pay tuition and/or late fees on time
- Failure to complete and return required forms
- Repeated late pickups
- Not following Parent Code of Conduct
- Threats or abuse made toward a child or staff member by a parent/guardian
- Inability of Blackjack Child Care to meet the individual needs of a child
- Child's behavior that threatens the well-being and safety of others at Blackjack Child Care Programs

CHILD CARE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Absence Notification

Parents must notify Blackjack Child Care Programs if their child is going to be absent from childcare. Parents must message on Brightwheel. Parents must give Junior Jacks a 24 hour notice for all absences not related to illness.

Arrival and Departure

Blackjack Child Care staff ensure the safe arrival and departure of each child each day. Parents must remain with their child until a staff member has visually and verbally confirmed responsibility for the child. Parents are responsible for the safe entry and exit of their child/children in and out of the building each day. It is extremely important that parents notify us if your child will be late, absent or of any change to their contracted

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schedule. If a child does not arrive within 30 minutes of their scheduled time without notification, staff will attempt to contact the child's parent to determine the whereabouts of the child.

Outside Play/Playground

We try to play outdoors daily unless it is raining, the wind-chill is below zero, the heat index is over 100 degrees, or if the air quality is poor. Please provide outerwear that is appropriate for Minnesota's ever-changing weather. We will utilize the Dawson-Boyd Community Center or our classroom for gross motor exercise when we are unable to be outdoors. Blackjack Child Care programs utilize the playground area provided on the Dawson-Boyd School campus. Staff are responsible for maintaining proper staff/child ratios at all times. Staff are trained to continuously take attendance of children to ensure all are present and accounted for. Staff are to position themselves in a manner that allows them to view all children at all times. Staff perform daily safety checks of the outdoor equipment and space to look for any safety hazards. A first-aid kit is available during all outdoor activities.

Child Friendly Clothing

We strongly recommend that your child wear play clothes that can get dirty. Actively playing children are often rough on their clothing. Please do not be surprised if your child comes home with tears or "messes" on their clothing from engaging in learning projects such as art, outdoor play, and other hands-on activities. We also recommend that your child wear clothing that he/she can easily manage. This enables your child to learn independence and develop self-help skills.

Items from Home

Children often want to bring special items and treasures from home to show their friends. Unfortunately, it is often more difficult to share a beloved item than children realize. These treasures can get broken or lost. To prevent items from being lost or damaged, we strongly discourage bringing toys or personal items from home unless requested by staff.

Pets (Non-Service Animals)

With approval from the school's superintendent, animals are allowed into the building as long as there is supervision and/or training of these animals for proper behavior, there is no threat to persons in the building, and the owner provides documentation proving the animal is rabies free. Please let program staff know if your child has any pet allergies.

Special Events and Celebrations

If you would like to celebrate your child's birthday or a holiday with a special snack, please discuss it with a staff person in your child's room ahead of time. Staff will inform you at that time if we have any food allergies that need to be avoided. Our licensing requires us to only serve pre-packaged, store-bought food.

Services for Children with Special Needs

Blackjack Child Care Programs do provide services to children with special needs, granted the needs of the individual child can be met adequately. When a child with a diagnosed special need is admitted into the program, staff shall develop an Individual Child Care Program Plan in an attempt to meet the child's individual needs within reason, of either program. The plan shall be developed in a joint effort with the child's parents, school district personnel, and medical or health personnel involved in the child's diagnosis or treatment. The plan shall be coordinated with the child's individual education plan (IEP) as developed by the school district or medical personnel.

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Blackjack Child Care is not designed to provide long-term 1:1 assistance for children. If a child receives personal care support outside of the classroom, has an identified special need, or has a behavior plan developed; it is the parents' responsibility to identify their child's needs on the appropriate forms at the time of enrollment. An individual conference to determine if we can meet the needs of the student may be necessary before enrollment is considered.

Supplies

All children are required to have appropriate seasonal outerwear. This includes, but is not limited to, spring jackets and hats, rain boots or an extra pair of shoes, winter jackets, snow pants, snow boots, winter hats and gloves, sun hats for warm and sunny days, and comfortable, supportive footwear.

Parents are asked to provide the following items for their child to keep at the center. All items brought from home must be clearly labeled with the child's first and last name. Breast milk must be labeled with the child's first and last name, along with the date it was expressed.

Parents may also be asked to provide additional supplies, such as Clorox wipes and Kleenex, at the time of enrollment and periodically throughout the year as needed.

Blackjack Babies-Infants

- Diapers/Wipes
- 3 Bottles
- 3 full outfits
- Pacifier
- Blanket
- Diaper Rash Cream
- Sunscreen/Bug Spray

Blackjack Babies-Toddlers

- Diapers/Pull Ups
- Baby Wipes
- 3 full outfits
- Blanket/Pillow
- Water Bottle
- Diaper Rash Cream
- Sunscreen/Bug Spray

Little Jacks

- Pull Ups (if needed)
- Wipes
- Water Bottle
- Sunscreen/Bug Spray
- Extra Outfits
- Blanket & Pillow
- Folder

Junior Jacks

- Water Bottle
- Sunscreen/Bug Spray

Laundry

Parents will be asked to take their child's bedding home on a weekly basis for cleaning. It is very important that you remember to bring them back on the next day of attendance.

Parent Communication and Involvement

Parents of enrolled children are welcome to visit Blackjack Child Care Programs at any time during hours of operation. We do ask that parents are mindful of rest/nap times at the center when planning to come in and visit or observe. Daily information/activity reports will be provided to parents through Brightwheel. Parents must download the app onto their phones for daily communication between parents and staff. If communication needs to be provided in another language, we will utilize the resources from our school district, including the use of interpreter services. All communication must be done through Brightwheel or in person.

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Professionalism

Blackjack Child Care programs provide high-quality child care services and education for your child. We treat children with kindness and respect. We respect family culture, values, and parenting practices. Blackjack Child Care programs staff expect the same respect of enrolled children, parents, and families

No parent, staff, or adult is permitted to use curse words or other inappropriate language at any time at the center. Threats of any kind will not be tolerated, will be reported to the appropriate authorities, and will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. Blackjack Child Care programs do not support nor condone corporal punishment of children. Such acts are not permitted in or on the program's property.

Confidentiality

The privacy of all the families enrolled in the programs are important to us. Staff are trained to keep all information about children and their families strictly confidential and follow the confidentiality policy in the Blackjack Child Care Employee Handbook.

Custody Issues

Staff will not be involved in custody disputes between parents. We are unable to separate children's tuition accounts. It is the parent's responsibility to work out the scheduling and payments for childcare. The person who signs the Child Care Contract is responsible for making payments associated with the account.

Unsafe Pick Up

If a staff person determines that a child could be in danger if allowed to leave with someone who is not in a position to adequately supervise and care for that child, the staff person will call an emergency contact to pick up the child. If the person insists on taking the child. Someone who is not in a position to adequately supervise and care for a child includes anyone who is mentally incapable, incapacitated or is suspected of abuse.

Chemical Use Policy

Dawson-Boyd Schools is a smoke-, tobacco-, smokeless nicotine-, drug-, and alcohol-free campus. The use of smoking products, tobacco, smokeless nicotine, alcohol, or drugs is strictly prohibited in the building, on school grounds, and in all parking areas. Blackjack Child Care Programs follow all Dawson-Boyd School District policies.

This policy applies to all individuals on site, including staff, parents/guardians, and visitors.

Blackjack Child Care staff are prohibited from being under the influence of any chemical that may impair their ability to provide safe and appropriate care to enrolled children. All staff are informed of and trained on this policy prior to working with children.

Parent Concerns

It is our goal to provide quality care and excellence in meeting your child's needs. Positive comments, suggestions, and feedback are always welcomed and appreciated. We value open communication and encourage conversations that support the best possible outcomes for your child.

If you have a concern regarding your child, a staff member, or the program, please follow the steps below:

1. Speak directly with the staff member involved with your child.
2. Allow the staff member an opportunity to follow up with you.

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3. If you are not satisfied with the outcome, please contact the Lead Teacher.
4. If concerns remain, please schedule a meeting with the Daycare Director.
5. If further resolution is needed, please contact the Community Education Coordinator.

All concerns shared with staff will be communicated with appropriate leadership to ensure awareness and support. If a complaint is made, we will listen carefully and work collaboratively with families to resolve the issue in a respectful and timely manner.

We believe communication is essential to the success of your child's care. We strive to maintain an open, respectful partnership with families and encourage you to reach out at any time. Our open-door policy allows parents to call or check in on their child's day, helping ensure peace of mind knowing your child is in a safe and caring environment.

PERMISSIONS

Media Release

Photographs and videos are taken during the normal course of a day, on special occasions such as birthdays, during holiday celebrations, and on community outings. We use these pictures/videos for teaching, sharing about your child's day, arts and crafts, photo albums, class books, and various other things. Parent permission must be obtained before any photos, videos or names are posted or shared. Permission for your child's name and/or picture to be displayed or submitted in the local newspaper, social media sites, in the school facility or to be used in marketing materials is included in the registration packet.

Photography Policy

To protect the privacy and safety of all children and staff, parents and guardians are not allowed to take photos or videos of any students or staff members while on daycare property or at daycare events without prior written permission from the Director. This policy is in place to comply with state licensing regulations and to ensure we maintain a safe, respectful, and secure environment for all families. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Research and Observation

In the event of possible research, observation, or experimental procedures involving enrolled children in our program, all parents would be required to give written permission for their child to participate, before each occurrence.

Water Play

Please be informed that water play/swimming is a high-risk activity and permission is required for children to participate in the activities. We participate in many water activities throughout the year which includes but is not limited to water table, water balloons/water guns, sprinkler, slip and slide, etc. Many precautions are taken at our center to help keep children safe. Children are always in sight and sound of staff when participating in water play. Permission for your child to participate in water play is included in the registration packet.

Transportation

When transporting children, Blackjack Child Care programs will ensure that the driver of the vehicle holds a valid driver's license appropriate to the vehicle driven. Blackjack Child Care programs comply with all seat belt and child passenger restraint system requirements and training. If transportation is required for your child during daycare hours, parental permission is required. Permission for your child to be transported by Prairie Five Bus Services or Dawson-Boyd School District during their contracted child care hours is included in the registration packet. If your child requires transportation by another means, written permission must be obtained before your child may be transported.

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Field Trips

Blackjack Child Care programs participate in exploration and discovery in outdoor settings on a daily basis that includes outdoor play and community walks. Permission for your child to participate in these activities is included in the registration packet. In addition to community outings, Blackjack Child Care may participate in other field trips. Parent acknowledges that individual field trip permission forms will be requested before each field trip and field trips fees may be charged in addition to weekly tuition fees. Parents may choose not to have their child participate in field trips and acknowledge that the parent will be responsible for finding alternative care for their child during that time, at their own expense. Contracted tuition fees will still be charged at regular contracted rates. A greater staff to child ratio will be maintained on all field trips. Children and staff will be broken up into small groups during field trips to ensure the safety of all children in attendance. Staff are responsible for maintaining proper staff/child ratios at all times. Staff are trained to continuously take attendance of children to ensure all are present and accounted for. Staff are to position themselves in a manner that allows them to view all children at all times. An emergency kit, emergency contact information, any ICCPP's, and any necessary child medications will be taken with on all field trips.

Nap and Quiet Time Policies

All toddlers & littles will have a scheduled quiet time in the afternoon. Infant nap schedules will be based on each individual child's needs. We ask that you try to avoid dropping or picking up your child off during toddlers and littles nap time (11:30-2).

Blackjack Child Care will provide a cot for toddlers & littles in a quiet area that is physically separated from children who are engaged in an activity that will disrupt a napping or resting child.

Separate bedding must be provided for each child in care. We require parents to provide each child with bedding and the parents will be responsible for taking the items home each week to be washed or when soiled or wet. Blankets must be washed or dry cleaned weekly and when soiled or wet.

Cribs must be placed so there are clear aisles and unimpeded access for both adults and children on at least one side of each piece of napping and resting equipment. Cots must be placed directly on the floor and must not be stacked when in use.

A child who has completed a nap or rested quietly for 30 minutes must not be required to remain on a cot. They may play quietly for the remainder of the quiet time.

Infant Safe Sleep Standards and Policies

A crib must be provided for each infant for which the center is licensed to provide care. Each infant in care will have a crib designated for only their use and will be labeled with the child's name. Cribs will be placed so there are clear aisles and unimpeded access for both adults and children on at least one side. Cots must be placed directly on the floor and must not be stacked when in use.

Each crib's equipment must be safe, be of sturdy construction, and conform to federal crib standards under Code of Federal Regulations, title 16, part 1219 for full-size baby cribs, or part 1220 for non-full-size baby cribs. See Minnesota Statutes, section 245A.146, for additional crib safety standards including routine crib inspection requirements.

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Blackjack Child Care completes monthly crib inspections and will check all cribs brand names and model numbers against the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission Website for unsafe cribs and maintain documentation for each crib available for use in the programs administration files.

Reducing the Risk of Sudden Unexpected Infant Death, Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 245A.1435 the following are required and will be followed:

- When a license holder is placing an infant to sleep, the license holder must place the infant on the infant's back, unless the license holder has documentation from the infant's physician directing an alternative sleeping position for the infant. The physician directive must be on a form approved by the commissioner Physician's Directive for Infant Sleep Position form and must remain on file at the licensed location.
- An infant who independently rolls onto their stomach after being placed to sleep on their back may be allowed to remain sleeping on their stomach if the infant is at least six months of age or if Blackjack Child Care has a signed form from the parent indicating that the infant regularly rolls over at home. If the infant rolls over in the crib, is under 6 months of age and no form is on file, staff are required to roll the infant back over onto their back.
- Infants will always be placed in a crib, directly on a firm mattress with a fitted sheet that is appropriate to the mattress size making sure the sheet fits tightly on the mattress and overlaps the underside of the mattress so it cannot be dislodged by pulling on the corner of the sheet with reasonable effort. Nothing will be placed in the crib with the infant except for the infant's pacifier, as defined in Code of Federal Regulations, title 16, part 1511.
- If an infant falls asleep before being placed in a crib, staff will move the infant to a crib as soon as practicable. Staff will keep the infant within sight and sound until the infant is placed in a crib.
- When an infant falls asleep while being held, the staff person will consider the supervision needs of other children in care when determining how long to hold the infant before placing the infant in a crib to sleep. The sleeping infant must not be in a position where the airway may be blocked or with anything covering the infant's face.
- Placing a swaddled infant down to sleep is not recommended for an infant of any age and is prohibited for any infant who has begun to roll over independently. However, with the written consent of a parent or guardian, Blackjack Child Care staff may place an infant who has not yet begun to roll over on its own down to sleep in a one-piece sleeper equipped with an attached system that fastens securely only across the upper torso, with no constriction of the hips or legs, to create a swaddle. Prior to any use of swaddling for sleep, Blackjack Child Care must obtain informed written consent from the parent or guardian of the infant on the Commissioner approved form Parent Consent for Swaddling an Infant.
- Separate bedding must be provided for each child in care. We require parents to provide each child with bedding and the parents will be responsible for taking the items home each week to be washed or when soiled or wet.

Meal & Food Policy and Procedures

Blackjack Child Care Programs participate in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP). Meals and snacks are prepared and provided by the Dawson-Boyd School District and meet USDA meal pattern requirements. Menus are posted in each classroom. Meals are provided at no additional charge to enrolled children. If your child has a food allergy or requires a special diet, a completed medical statement signed by a licensed health care provider may be required before substitutions or modifications can be made. This must be discussed at enrollment. Parents of infants may provide breastmilk or iron-fortified infant formula. All bottles and food brought from home must be clearly labeled with the child's first and last name and dated.

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Infants will be fed on demand and according to their individual feeding schedule. Once a parent notifies the center that their infant is ready for table foods, meals will be provided by Blackjack Child Care Programs in accordance with CACFP guidelines. Feeding instructions for infants and toddlers must be provided in writing and kept current. If any changes occur, a new form must be completed. Parents must communicate with staff at drop-off regarding when their child last ate.

Meal Times

Infants	**Toddlers**	**Littles**
Breakfast 8:00-8:30 am	Breakfast 8:30-9:00	Breakfast 8:30-9:00
Lunch 11:00-11:30	Lunch 11:00-11:30	Lunch 11:00-11:30
Snack 2:30-3:00	Snack 2:15-2:35	Snack 2:10-2:30

Food Temperature

Liquids and foods that are hotter than 110° are kept out of children's reach. If needed, infant staff members will use a hot water bath or bottle warmer to warm bottles. These bottles are monitored so the temperature does not reach higher than 110°. Food temperature notices are posted in the food preparation areas of the center.

Refrigerator Temperature

Refrigerator temps are kept at 40 degrees Fahrenheit or below. Refrigerator temperatures are logged daily by staff.

Breastfeeding

Blackjack Child Care supports breastfeeding by: accepting, storing, and serving expressed breast milk for feedings. Breast milk in ready-to-feed sanitary containers labeled with the infant's name, mother’s name and expressed date. Staff must ensure breastmilk has been stored in a refrigerator for no longer than 48 hours (or no more than 24 hours if the breast milk was previously frozen) or in a freezer at 0° F or below for no longer than three months. Staff gently mix the milk but never shake it before serving.

Nutrition and Feeding Practices

Infants

- Blackjack Child Care does not offer solid foods and fruit juices to infants younger than six months of age, unless that practice is recommended by the child's health care provider and approved by families.
- Infants unable to sit are held for bottle-feeding. All others sit or are held to be fed. Infants do not have bottles while in a crib or bed and do not eat from propped bottles at any time. Staff offer children fluids from a cup as soon as the families and teachers decide that a child is developmentally ready to use a cup.
- Our staff will work with families to ensure that each infant’s nutrition is based on their individual needs and developmental stage. Blackjack Child Care provides infant formula, cereal, and baby food for infants until they are ready to be served table foods, unless parents prefer to supply their own.
- Except for breast milk, staff serve only formula and infant food that comes to the facility in factory sealed containers (e.g., ready-to-feed powder or concentrate formulas and baby food jars) prepared according to the manufacturer's instructions. Bottle feedings do not contain solid foods unless the child's health care provider supplies written instructions and a medical reason for this practice. Staff

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discard after one hour any formula or breast milk that is served but not completely consumed or has not been refrigerated. If staff warm formula or breast milk, the milk is warmed in a bottle warmer. No milk, including breast milk, and no other infant foods are warmed in a microwave oven.
- We offer whole milk to children ages 12-24 months. We do not offer cow's milk to children younger than 12 months. A request to differ from the latter policy would require a Special Dietary Statement from the child's health care provider.

Toddlers/Littles
- Well balanced meals and snacks will be offered daily, including; breakfast, lunch, and an afternoon snack. Meals are prepared and served by the Dawson-Boyd school district and follow USDA nutrition guidelines.
- We offer whole milk to children ages 12-24 months and 1% milk to children over 24 months.
- Blackjack Child Care will follow written instructions obtained from the parents, at the time of enrollment, on each child's special diet or food needs.

Junior Jacks
- An afternoon snack will be served everyday at 3:15. All snacks follow USDA nutritional guidelines.
- During the summer months and non-school days, well balanced meals and snacks will be offered daily including; breakfast, lunch, and snacks. Meals are prepared and served by the Dawson-Boyd School District and follow USDA nutritional guidelines.
- We offer 1% milk to the children
- Drinking water will be available to the children and offered at frequent intervals throughout the day.
- All Junior Jacks are asked to bring a water bottle from home to refill.

Toilet Training Policies and Procedures

Blackjack Child Care is committed to partnering with families to support children through the toilet training process. Toilet training will begin when a child shows readiness and families are consistently working on these skills at home.

Readiness and Getting Started

When a child begins showing signs of readiness, staff will work with families to determine the next steps.

- When a child is ready to begin wearing pull-ups, families will receive the **"I'm Ready for Big Kid Pull-Ups" checklist**.
- Children must be able to independently remove shoes and clothing and pull up their pull-up, pants/shorts, and shoes.

When families feel their child is ready to begin toilet training at daycare, they will receive the **"I'm Ready to Start Potty Training" checklist**, which includes the following indicators:

- Successful completion of the pull-up readiness stage
- Willingness to sit on the toilet when asked
- Ability to communicate the need to use the toilet (verbal, sign language, or gestures)
- Ability to stay dry for most of the day
- At least five successful uses of the toilet at home within one week
- Displays excitement and willingness to continue trying

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Transition to Underwear

- Children must be accident-free for two full weeks at daycare before transitioning to underwear at the center for hygiene and sanitation purposes.
- During rest time, children in training will continue to wear a diaper or pull-up until they have remained accident-free for one full month.

If a child experiences frequent accidents while in underwear, they will be transitioned back to pull-ups or diapers and retried at a later time. If a child has two accidents in one day, they will be changed back into a pull-up or diaper for the remainder of the day.

Toileting Routine at the Center

- Staff will provide regular opportunities for toileting throughout the day.
- Children will be reminded and encouraged to use the toilet and will be taken when they indicate a need.

Clothing Guidelines

- Children should wear diapers or pull-ups until they meet the two-week accident-free requirement.
- Clothing should be easy for children to manage independently (elastic waistbands, loose-fitting pants/shorts).
- Please avoid clothing with snaps, buttons, or outfits that require removing the top to access the bottom.

Soiled Clothing

- Staff do not launder soiled clothing.
- All soiled items will be bagged and sent home at pickup.

Program Limitations

Due to licensing regulations and the needs of a group care setting, Blackjack Child Care is unable to accommodate the following:

- We do not use strict timed “potty schedules” (e.g., setting timers for frequent intervals).
- We do not limit food or drink as part of toilet training. Children will continue to receive meals and snacks according to state guidelines, and water will always be available.
- We cannot provide one-on-one toileting support at all times; children must be able to communicate their needs to staff.

Differences Between Home and Child Care Settings

Please do not expect the same toileting performance at child care as at home. Children may demonstrate different levels of success in a group setting due to:

- The need to communicate toileting needs to staff in advance
- Increased distractions, including peers, activities, and a busy classroom environment
- Limited ability for one-on-one attention, as staff must supervise and meet the needs of all children in care
- Differences in routines, including the inability to use frequent or timed potty attempts throughout the

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day

Children may also show progress at child care that is not yet consistent at home, often due to differences in routines, schedules, and caregiver expectations.

Helpful Tips for Families

- Keep the experience positive and encouraging
- Offer simple praise for success
- Avoid punishment for accidents
- Encourage children to communicate their needs
- Keep potty time brief and focused
- Maintain a consistent routine

Toilet training is a developmental process that varies for each child. With consistency, patience, and teamwork, children will gain confidence and independence.

Junior Jacks - Children must be toilet trained in order to attend the Junior Jacks Program

Blackjack Child Care Behavior Guidance & Discipline Policy

At Blackjack Child Care, we believe every child deserves a safe, caring, and respectful environment where they can learn and grow. Our behavior guidance practices support each child's development, help build positive relationships, and promote self-regulation.

Behavior Guidance Practices

We guide behavior using developmentally appropriate strategies, grounded in respect and patience. Our staff will:

- Model respectful and kind behavior.
- Reinforce positive behavior through encouragement and recognition.
- Use clear, simple expectations based on age and developmental level.
- Support children in solving problems with words, not actions.
- Redirect children from unsafe or disruptive behavior toward meaningful, constructive activities.
- Help children learn acceptable alternatives to aggression, such as saying "I need help" or "I don't like that."

We maintain a calm, quiet area in each classroom where children can take a break and calm their bodies if they need space.

Staff will never use corporal punishment, emotional abuse, or any form of verbal degradation. Food, rest, warmth, or medical care will never be withheld as a consequence. Staff may not delegate discipline to other children, nor will children be punished for toileting accidents.

If separation from the group is needed due to safety concerns, it will follow all licensing requirements:

- Used only when less intrusive methods have been tried.
- Child remains in a quiet area within view and hearing of staff.

- Separation is short, age-appropriate, and ends when the behavior stops.
- All separations are documented and shared with parents if they occur three or more times in a day.

Persistent Unacceptable Behavior

We understand children have big feelings and are still learning self-control. However, if a child repeatedly displays behaviors that threaten the safety or wellbeing of others, we may place them on a Persistent Behavior Support Plan.

Examples of persistent unsafe behaviors include:

- Hitting, biting, kicking, pinching, scratching
- Bullying or intimidation
- Striking staff or peers
- Inappropriate physical contact
- Leaving the classroom without permission
- Repeated use of harmful or offensive language
- Theft or intentional property damage

We will:

- Record each incident and staff response in the child's file
- Notify parents of recurring concerns and meet to discuss support strategies
- Collaborate with families and professionals when appropriate
- Follow up with a review meeting within 14 days

If behaviors persist despite intervention, and safety continues to be a concern, dismissal from care may be considered as a last resort after collaborations with families.

If a child's behavior creates an immediate risk of serious harm to themselves or others, parents will be called to pick up their child right away.

Use of Time Away (Calm Down Space)

Blackjack Child Care uses time away (calm down time) only when necessary. This is not used as punishment but as a tool to help a child regain control.

We will:

- Stay nearby and support the child through the process
- Use redirection or offer calming strategies before separation
- Always document the use of calm down time and notify families when appropriate

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Documentation & Communication

Behavior incidents, separations, and interventions will be documented in Brightwheel or a behavior log. Parents may view this information upon request and will be contacted if concerns become frequent or significant.

We believe strong communication between staff and families is key to helping children succeed. Our goal is always to work together in the best interest of your child.

Biting Policy

Biting is common behavior in infants and toddlers and often reflects a normal stage of development. Our staff respond quickly and calmly:

- Remove the child from the situation
- State clearly and simply, “Biting hurts.”
- Comfort the injured child and provide appropriate care
- Complete an incident report in Brightwheel
- Offer a teething ring or sensory tool if appropriate

Repeated biting will be addressed using the Persistent Behavior Support Plan.

HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICIES

Illness

Children who are ill with a contagious disease or have not been fever free without the aid of fever reducing medication may not attend the Child Care Programs. If a child becomes ill while attending the center, the child will be separated from the group for the health and safety of the other children. Parents will be notified immediately. Parents or guardians are expected to pick up their child within one hour to ensure the health and safety of all children. If a parent or guardian fails to pick up their child within one hour, staff will contact the listed emergency contact.

In the event of an emergency, 911 will be called, and decisions will be made by the paramedics as to the next procedures to be carried out. Parents will be called immediately after the call to 911. Transportation will be made by the ambulance if needed.

Exclusion from Child Care

In accordance with **Minnesota Administrative Rules 9503.0080: Exclusion of Sick Children**, children must be excluded from care for the following reasons:

- **Fever of 100°F or higher**
  Must be fever-free for 24 hours without the use of medication before returning.
- **Vomiting (within the past 24 hours)**
  Must be vomit-free for 24 hours before returning.
- **Diarrhea (three or more loose stools within 24 hours)**
  Must have normal bowel movements for 24 hours before returning.

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- **Symptoms of a contagious illness** (such as fever, cough, fatigue, body aches, or sore throat)
  Child must follow guidance from a healthcare provider and be well enough to participate in daily activities.
- **Bacterial infections** (such as strep throat, impetigo, etc.)
  Must be on antibiotics for at least 24 hours before returning.
- **Pink eye (conjunctivitis) or eye drainage**
  Must be treated or symptoms improved, and the child must be able to avoid excessive touching of the eyes.
- **Streptococcal pharyngitis (strep throat)**
  Must be on antibiotics for at least 24 hours before returning.
- **Unexplained rash** (not related to diapering or heat)
  Must be evaluated by a healthcare provider and determined to be non-contagious before returning.
- **Unusual lethargy or fatigue**
  Child must be well enough to participate in normal daily activities.
- **Lice, ringworm, or scabies**
  Must be treated prior to returning.
- **Chickenpox**
  Child must remain home until all lesions are crusted and scabbed over.
- **Significant respiratory distress**
  Any child who is not able to participate in program activities with reasonable comfort, or who requires more care than staff can provide without compromising the health and safety of other children, must remain home.

If a child is not well enough to participate in daily activities or may spread illness to others, they must stay home.

A doctor's note is required for a child to return in the cases of undiagnosed rashes, skin lesions, running eyes, and other potentially communicable diseases.

Please notify Blackjack Child Care Programs if your child is/has experienced any of these health issues. The child may return to daycare 24 hours after resolution of symptoms without the use of symptom relievers and/or a full 24 hours period of antibiotic treatment. If you are unsure if your child is well enough to be at child care, please contact the childcare on Brightwheel.

Communicable Diseases

Parents are required to notify the Child Care Program within 24 hours when a child has a reportable disease. Staff will notify enrolled children's parents of all communicable and infectious diseases reported to the child care program via a message through Brightwheel. Children who have been absent because of a communicable disease will only be readmitted into the child care programs with permission from a physician. Diseases required to be reported include, but are not limited to: influenza, RSV, coronavirus, chicken pox, strep throat, scarlet fever, German measles, mumps, measles, head lice, pink eye, or impetigo.

Health Consultant

Blackjack Child Care Programs utilize the services of the Dawson-Boyd School Nurse as our Health Consultant. The health consultant reviews our health and safety policies and procedures, reviews our infant policies, provides training and resources to ensure the health and safety at Blackjack Child Care Programs. If

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there is an outbreak of contagious illness at the center, the health consultant will assist with suggestions for reporting, excluding, and containment.

Medications

It is required by law that staff members not administer any medications without the parent's written permission. This includes all medications: prescription, nonprescription, and over the counter medications. Medications must be in the original container, labeled with the child's first and last name, and will be stored in a locked medication cabinet/drawer out of children's reach.

When administering medication, the primary concern is the safety and optimal health of every child. We have detailed procedures in place to ensure that every child receives the proper dosage of medication including:

- All marked medications will only be given to the child whose name is labeled.
- All medications (both prescription and over the counter) must be signed in daily on our medication authorization form.
- All medications will be stored in a locked area inaccessible to the children.
- The lead teacher will administer the medication.
- The administration of medication will always be witnessed by another staff member and recorded by the staff on the medication authorization form.
- We cannot administer any medication that has expired.
- Medicines, insect repellents, sunscreen lotions, and diaper rash control products must be stored according to directions on the original container.
- Sunscreen lotions and insect repellents supplied by the center may be used on more than one child.
- A product to control or prevent diaper rash, including moistened commercial wipes can only be used for the child that is stated on the product.

Prescription Medication

Prescription medication must be presented in its original container with a label attached bearing the doctor's name, child's first and last name, current date, time, and dose to be given, number of days to be administered, and pharmacy name. This constitutes the physician's written permission. Any unused proportions will be returned to the parent. An individual medication form must be filled out for each prescription medication and signed by the parent or legal guardian. Separate medication forms must be filled out for each medication, each time a medication is used. Completed forms must be kept in the child's record and are available for parents. Parents will be notified at the end of the day or via Brightwheel that their child was given medication.

Over the Counter Medication

Over the counter medications should be treated with the same caution as prescription drugs. Oral over the counter medications such as but not limited to aspirin, ibuprofen, and cough medicine, can be administered only with the written permission of the child's parent or legal guardian and according to the manufacturer's instructions unless there are written instructions for their use provided by a licensed physician or dentist. Medication must be presented in its original container with manufacturer's instructions.

Topical applications, such as diaper rash ointment, petroleum jelly, suntan lotion and bug repellent may be administered with the parent's written consent. Directions provided on the manufacturer's label will be followed. All containers should be purchased by the parent and clearly labeled with the child's first and last name.

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If a child requires medication for life-threatening conditions such as allergies or diabetes the prescription can be kept at the center and administered when necessary for as long as the child is enrolled. The child's parents or legal guardian and physician must sign an authorization form. Expired medication will be returned to the parent.

Lice

Blackjack Child Care follows guidance from the Minnesota Department of Health and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention when managing head lice. If lice are suspected or confirmed, parents/guardians will be notified confidentially. Treatment should begin as soon as possible at home. To help prevent the spread, we encourage families to avoid sharing hats, brushes, combs, and hair accessories and to complete regular head checks at home. Head lice are common, treatable, and do not jump or fly.

Lifting and Handling Children

Using proper techniques to lift and carry children can help prevent injuries to children and staff. The following techniques will be used by staff when lifting and handling children:

- Be careful when lifting and handling children
- Lift a child by grasping under the armpits
- Do not bend from hips, use legs and keep the child close
- Kneel or squat when possible
- Never twist while lifting
- Always lift and then turn

Blackjack Child Care staff should never:

- Pick up a toddler or infant by the hands or wrists.
- Swing a child by holding the hands or wrists of the child.
- Jerk an arm when pulling a child along, always be gentle when taking a child by the hand.

Allergy Prevention and Response

Allergy Prevention and Response Policies and Procedures must be provided to parents of all children at the time of their child's enrollment and must be available upon request. Staff informed of a child's allergy after enrollment must inform the staff immediately so that the proper paperwork can be completed. Parents are encouraged to introduce new foods at home first.

Parents or legal guardians or the child's source of medical care will need to fill out a medical form to notify us of any allergy their child may have before admitting their child for care. We will maintain current information about the allergy in the child's record.

The Blackjack Child Care Programs will develop an Individual Child Care Program Plan as specified in Minnesota Rules 9503.0065, subpart 3 for each child with an allergy. The ICCPP must include but is not limited to:

- Description of the child's allergy
- Specific triggers
- Avoidance Techniques
- Symptoms of an allergic reaction
- Procedures for responding to an allergic reaction, including medication, dosages, and the doctor's contact information

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ICCPPs will be kept in the child's file and in the daycare's Allergy Prevention File that is stored in the center's locked file cabinet.

All staff and volunteers will be notified and made aware of any allergy that an enrolled child has. Each staff person who is responsible for carrying out the ICCPP must review and follow the plan. After reviewing the ICCP daycare staff must sign the acknowledgement sheet in the Allergy Prevention File.

Blackjack Child Care will review the allergy related information every year in the months of January and June with parents. It is the parent's responsibility to notify the staff of changes during the non-review months. Any changes made to allergy related information will be updated in the child's file, the child's ICCPP and the Daycare's Allergy Prevention File. All staff will be informed of the changes and must sign the acknowledgement of changes sheet in the Allergy Prevention File.

Allergy information will always be readily available including on-site, when on field trips or during transportation. A child's allergy information will be readily available to all staff where food is prepared and served to the child. If a child has an allergic reaction, the parents will be notified right away. When necessary we will call emergency services.

Handling and Disposal of Bodily Fluids

Any surface that encounters any potentially infectious bodily fluids, including blood and vomit, must be cleaned, and disinfected immediately according to Minnesota Rules, part 9503.0005, subpart 11.

- First Aid Kits, disposable gloves, disposable towels, disposable bags, and eye protection are readily available in each classroom. The following procedures will be followed when handling and disposing of bodily fluids:
- When handling any form of bodily fluids staff MUST wear disposable gloves.
- First wipe the area with disposable towels and discard into a plastic lined garbage bin. If it is blood, please use the red hazard bags to dispose of supplies.
- Once the area is free of bodily fluids, clean the area with soap and water.
- Wipe the area with disinfectant and let air dry.
- All soiled cleaning supplies will be placed in a plastic bag (red bag for blood), tied tightly, and disposed of immediately into the dumpster or red bags infectious waste container.
- Handwashing needs to take place before and after contact with the injured or ill child and after gloves are removed.
- Any sharp items used for a child with special care needs will be disposed of in a "sharps container." The sharps container is stored in a locked cabinet in the classroom and out of reach of the children.

Risk Reduction

A Risk Reduction Plan is provided to families at enrollment and is available for review at any time. Blackjack Babies, Little Jacks, and Junior Jacks review this plan annually and make updates as needed to ensure ongoing safety for all children.

Emergency Preparedness

A Child Care Emergency Plan is provided to families at enrollment and is available for review at any time. This plan outlines procedures for evacuation, relocation, shelter-in-place, and lockdown. It also explains how families will be notified during an emergency and how reunification will occur when it is safe to do so. Plans are reviewed annually and updated as needed.

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Missing Child Policy

At Blackjack Child Care Programs, the safety of every child is our highest priority. Staff follow established procedures during arrival and departure, outdoor play, field trips, and daily supervision to ensure children remain safe and accounted for at all times. While this situation is extremely unlikely, we have clear procedures in place to respond quickly and effectively if a child were to go missing.

If a child is suspected missing, all other children will be accounted for and secured. The Director will work with staff to determine when and where the child was last seen and will immediately check all areas of the building and outdoor spaces. Doors, gates, and exits will be checked for any possible breach. If the child is not located quickly, the parent/guardian and local authorities will be notified right away.

An incident report will be completed documenting all relevant details, including timelines, staff present, and actions taken. A follow-up review will be conducted to determine how the situation occurred and to make any necessary changes to policies or procedures to prevent future incidents.

Medical Emergencies

In the event of a medical emergency, staff will call 911 immediately. Emergency services are available at all times, and staff will act quickly to ensure the child receives appropriate care. Families will be notified as soon as possible.

Administering First Aid

Blackjack Child Care ensures that trained staff are present at all times. All staff complete pediatric first aid and infant/child CPR training within 90 days of hire. At least one trained staff member is always on-site during operating hours, field trips, and transportation.

A fully stocked first aid kit is maintained and easily accessible in the center and is taken on field trips. The kit includes required supplies such as bandages, compresses, a thermometer, cold packs, and a current first aid manual.

When first aid is needed, staff will respond according to their training. Families will be notified of any illness or injury. Accident reports will be completed within 24 hours. Emergency services will be contacted when necessary, including situations involving unconsciousness, unresponsiveness, or serious injury. Poison Control will be contacted if harmful substances are ingested.

Fire Drills

Fire drills are conducted monthly and documented with the date, time, and number of children and staff present. During drills, infants and young toddlers are safely transported using cribs, strollers, or wagons, while older children line up and exit the building using designated routes.

Staff will bring emergency supplies and medications and guide children to the designated safe location. Families will be notified as soon as it is safe to do so.

Shelter/Tornado Drills

Tornado drills are conducted monthly and documented accordingly. Staff and children follow designated routes to safe shelter areas. Infants and young toddlers are transported safely, and older children are guided to the designated location.

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Once in the shelter area, children will be positioned safely, and staff will remain with them until further instructions are given by school administration or emergency responders. Families will be notified as soon as it is safe.

Evacuation Drill

An evacuation drill is conducted annually in coordination with the Dawson-Boyd School District. During evacuation, staff ensure all children are safely transported to the designated relocation site, Grace Lutheran Church.

Emergency supplies and medications are brought along, and staff remain with children until further direction is given. Families will be contacted as soon as it is safe to arrange pick-up.

Lock Down Procedures

In the event of a lockdown, staff and children will remain in a secure location within the building. Doors will be locked, lights turned off, and blinds closed. Children will be moved away from doors and windows and kept as calm and quiet as possible.

Staff will remain in lockdown until the all-clear is given by school administration or emergency responders. Families will be notified after the situation has been resolved.

Shelter in Place Procedures

Shelter in place is used when it is safer to remain inside the building during an emergency. Staff will move children to a designated interior location and secure the space.

Infants and young toddlers will be transported safely, and older children will be guided to the shelter area. Staff will remain with children until the all-clear is given. Families will be notified once the situation has been resolved.

Maltreatment of Minors Mandated Reporting Policy

Per Minnesota Statutes, section 245A.145, subdivision 1, all licensed childcare providers must develop policies and procedures for reporting suspected child maltreatment that fulfill the requirements of section 626.556 and must develop policies and procedures for reporting complaints about the operation of a childcare program.
Blackjack Child Care Staff are legally required to report maltreatment. Maltreatment includes egregious harm, neglect, physical abuse, sexual abuse, substantial child endangerment, threatened injury, and mental injury. When a staff person witnesses, has reason to believe or suspect that maltreatment has occurred, the staff person will immediately, meaning as soon as possible, but in no event longer than 24 hours, contact and make a report to the following:

- Local Law Enforcement: 911
- LQP County Family Services: (320)598-7594
- Department of Human Services, Division of Licensing: (651)431-6600-suspected maltreatment
- Department of Human Services, Division of Licensing: (651)431-6500-licensing violations.

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Internal Review

To ensure that an internal review is completed within 30 days and that corrective action is taken, if necessary, to protect the health and safety a of child in care when the facility has reason to know that internal or external report of alleged or suspected maltreatment has been made, the review must include an evaluation of the following:

- Related policies and procedures were followed.
- The policies and procedures were adequate.
- The need for additional training.
- Reported events are similar to past events with the child or services involved.
- The need for corrective action by license holders to protect the health and safety of enrolled children.

When an internal review is required it will be completed by the Community Ed Department. If this individual is involved in the alleged or suspected maltreatment it will be completed by the Superintendent. The center will document the completion of the review and provide it to the commissioner upon the commissioner's request.

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IN AN EMERGENCY
TAKE ACTION



HOLD! In your room or area. Clear the halls.

STUDENTS
Clear the hallways and remain in room or area until the "All Clear" is announced
Do business as usual

ADULTS
Close and lock the door
Account for students and adults
Do business as usual



SECURE! Get inside. Lock outside doors.

STUDENTS
Return to inside of building
Do business as usual

TEACHERS
Bring everyone indoors
Lock outside doors
Increase situational awareness
Do business as usual
Take attendance



LOCKDOWN! Locks, lights, out of sight.

STUDENTS
Move away from sight
Maintain silence
Do not open the door

ADULTS
Recover students from hallway if possible
Lock the classroom door
Turn out the lights
Move away from sight
Maintain silence
Do not open the door
Prepare to evade or defend



EVACUATE! (A location may be specified)

STUDENTS
Leave stuff behind if required to
If possible, bring your phone
Follow instructions

ADULTS
Lead students to Evacuation location
Account for students and adults
Notify if missing, extra or injured students or adults



SHELTER! Hazard and safety strategy.

STUDENTS
Use appropriate safety strategy for the hazard

Hazard	Safety Strategy
Tornado	Evacuate to shelter area
Hazmat	Seal the room
Earthquake	Drop, cover and hold
Tsunami	Get to high ground

ADULTS
Lead safety strategy
Account for students and adults
Notify if missing, extra or injured students or adults

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K12 2025 STANDARD RESPONSE PROTOCOL

Parent Handbook Acknowledgment & Agreement

I have received a copy of the Blackjack Child Care Parent Handbook. I understand that it is my responsibility to read and become familiar with all policies and procedures contained in this handbook.

I acknowledge that:

- I have read and understand the policies, procedures, and expectations outlined in the Parent Handbook.
- I agree to follow all policies as a condition of my child's enrollment in Blackjack Child Care.
- I understand that policies may be updated at any time to remain in compliance with state licensing regulations, public health guidance, or program needs, and that updated handbooks will be provided to families.
- The most current version of the handbook will replace any previous versions.

Child(ren) Name(s): _____

Parent/Guardian Name (Print): _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

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Dawson-Boyd Managed Print RFP Responses

Vendor Name	Fleet Brand Proposed	Device Pages Per Minute	Monthly Lease Cost	Monthly Service Cost	Total Monthly Cost
A&B Business Solutions - Option 1	Toshiba / Brother	75 PPM B&W / 65 PPM Color	$1,105.12	$781.72	$1,886.84
A&B Business Solutions - Option 2	Toshiba / Brother	85 PPM B&W / 75 PPM Color	$1,182.01	$768.70	$1,950.71
Marco - Option 1	Konica / HP	65 PPM	$1,138.73	$685.83	$1,824.56
Marco - Option 2	Konica / HP	75 PPM	$1,204.89	$638.47	$1,843.36
Coordinated Business Systems - Option 1	Kyocera	60 PPM	$1,481.24	$802.40	$2,283.64
Coordinated Business Systems - Option 2	Kyocera	70 PPM	$1,556.60	$802.40	$2,359.00

Delivery, Installation, returning old devices, and training included in proposed total monthly cost

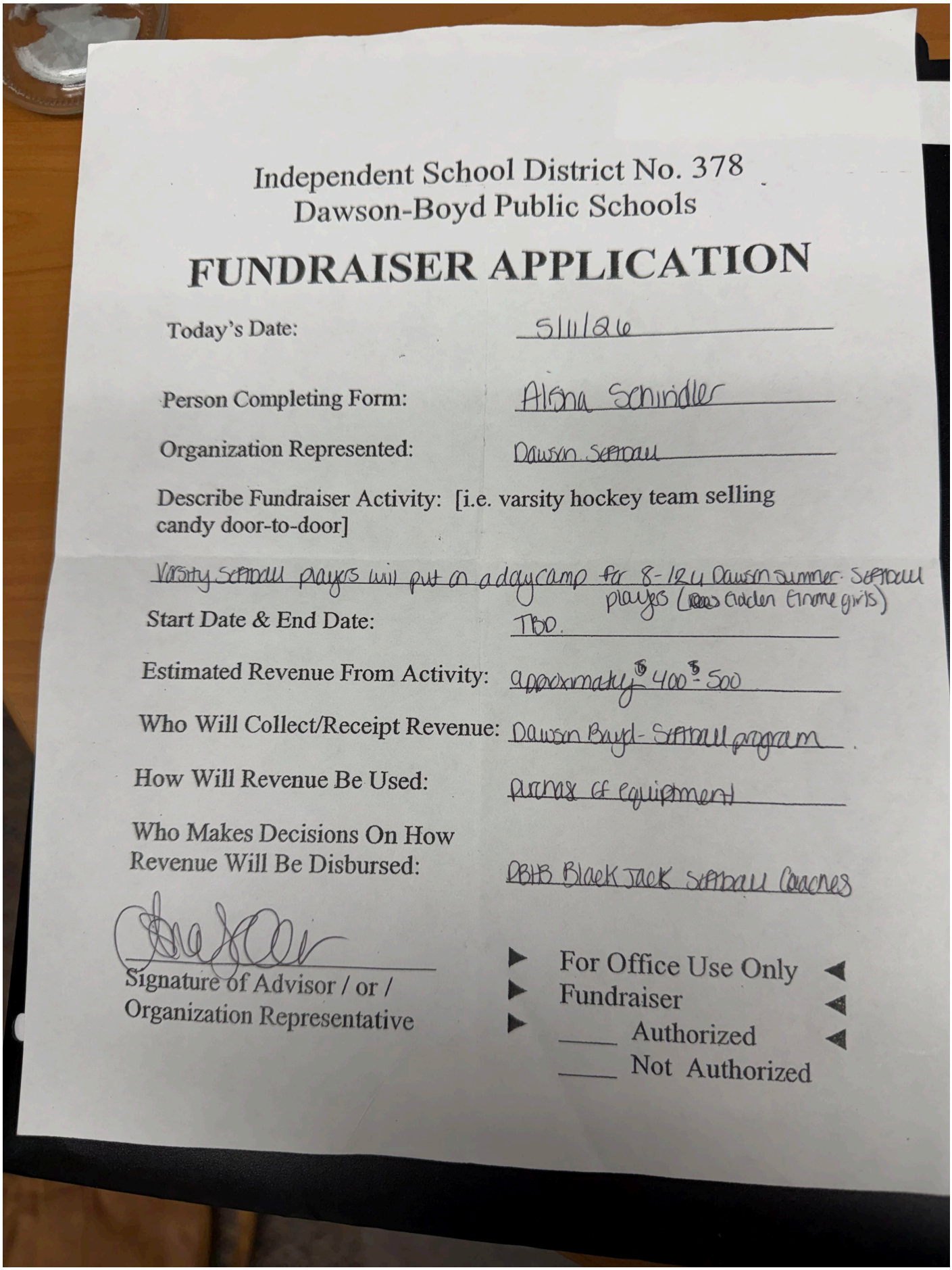
All parts, labor, mileage, drums, toner, staples included in proposed total monthly cost

60 Month Service Agreement

Recommendation is to go with Marco - Option 2.

Marco is our current vendor and came in with the best bid. This will provide faster speeds across the fleet and still have a savings over our current service agreement.

4/14/2026		Daycare Program (1st payment for 25-26)	CEDA-City of Dawson	$5,000.00	
4/14/2026		Backpack for Jacks program	Our Saviors Lutheran Church of Baxter	$21.65	
4/20/2026		Backpack for Jacks program	Garfield Lutheran Church	$360.00	
5/5/2026		Jack Attack-Girls	Dawson Fire Department	$600.00	
5/5/2026		Robotics	Dawson Fire Department	$600.00	
5/5/2026		ECFE-Reserve Acct	Dawson Fire Department	$600.00	
5/5/2026		DB Girls Volleyball Booser Club	Dawson Fire Department	$600.00	
5/5/2026		DB Softball	Dawson Fire Department	$1,500.00	Approved on 5/11/26



Independent School District No. 378
Dawson-Boyd Public Schools

FUNDRAISER APPLICATION

Today's Date: 5/11/26

Person Completing Form: Alena Schindler

Organization Represented: Dawson Softball

Describe Fundraiser Activity: [i.e. varsity hockey team selling candy door-to-door]

Varsity softball players will put on a day camp for 8-12u Dawson summer softball players (boys & older & home girls)

Start Date & End Date: TBD.

Estimated Revenue From Activity: approximately $400-500

Who Will Collect/Receipt Revenue: Dawson Boyd- Softball program

How Will Revenue Be Used: purchase of equipment

Who Makes Decisions On How Revenue Will Be Disbursed: DBHS Blacktop softball coaches

Signature of Advisor / or / Organization Representative

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Fundraiser
____ Authorized
____ Not Authorized

Thank you!