



# THE ASP BEE

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## Happy Holidays!

We are excited to present to you our first issue of the ASP Bee, a newsletter helping to communicate everyday Afterschool happenings along with events and reminders to you, our beloved parents. In this issue we'd like to take time to introduce some of our wonderful staff, giving you some insight to their role in the program and the talent that they bring to your kids everyday.



## Announcements:

- Our favorite ASP-talent show is back! We have a handful of acts from many of your brave and talented children on Dec. 15 at 4:30.
- Miss Alyssa Wood returned to ASP having just completed the credential program!
- We will not be open during Christmas break.



## Kinder-Care!

Our dedicated kinder team creates lesson plans correlating with Mrs. Chic and Miss Nye to help support your child's learning. Miss Liz and Luanne are often here to greet your kids with smiling faces in the morning.

## Safety First



As we've communicated before, the safety of your child is always our number one priority. We now have 5 walkie-talkies that have been an invaluable resource to our staff. Kids have more freedom to move between activities as we can quickly communicate these transitions to each other. In the "white van" incident we were able to promptly account for all the students who were enrolled in ASP program to ensure their safety.

Please don't hesitate to communicate any concerns to us as we value your input.



## Learning by Growing

Charlie and Mckenzie, our green thumbs, are happy to pass that trait to your kids if interested in this fun activity of growing veggies and caring for our own garden area.

# ACTIVITY AND CLUB HITS..



## Duct Tape Fridays

This popular club, is headed up by Heather, our Duct Tape Master. From duct tape flip flops to aprons, your kids have explored the multiple uses of this fun medium.

## Cooking

On Wednesdays and Fridays, our CCDs kitchen is bustling with Chef Ally leading our mini-chefs in cooking fun, tasty recipes.

## Guitar

A returning favorite from last year, Brandon will be bringing his guitar on Tuesdays to teach any students interested in bringing their own guitars. Guitars will be kept in the ASP office during the day if preferred.

## Drama

Twice a week our drama group comes to action with Jenna and Hannah quick to engage students in fun drama games. Right now their energies are going towards the upcoming Talent Show which includes a skit called "Teachers don't believe in Christmas", written and performed by our very own ASP kids.

## Games

Brad, Brandon and Harrison often are found on our soccer field or black top leading students in active games such as speed-away, soccer or hockey!

## 5<sup>th</sup> & up

This group, which is led by David, Brandon and Miranda, is developed to help meet the needs of our older kids. Thanks to Mrs. Henderson, our students have a place to study, play games, watch movies and hang out.

## Homework club

If not substituting, Naomi, our credentialed teacher, helps students out in our homework club or is at the desk, making sure your kids get back to you safely.

## Crafts

Aimee and Nicole are quick to offer hands-on activities for your creative kids who love this fun outlet.

## Irish Dance

Once a week students have the chance to learn how Irish dance from our very own trophy-winning Rose Trulin!



At this time of year when many of us are reflecting and counting on our blessings, we feel so lucky to have these talented- versatile staff who are always willing to invest in your children. It is truly a privilege to hang out with your kids! **VICKIE, POLLY & STAFF**