

# bennett day school



## Auxiliary Program Overview

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# **Stay & Play**

## **(PK students only)**

**Stay & Play is available every day that school is in session, unless notified otherwise.**

### **Stay & Play Overview:**

- Begins at 11:30 am
- Available Monday through Friday when school is in session
- Only available for PK students
- Students who participate in Stay & Play will remain in their classroom for lunch, enjoy a recess time, story time, nap time, and open play.
- Ends at 2:45 pm
  - At this time, students can be picked up or transition to AfterCare, if registered.

Students will remain in their assigned classroom for Stay & Play, and the program will be supervised by the Apprentice and Lead teachers. Maintaining consistency is valuable for the transitioning PK students, and the staffing of this extended day program is designed with that need in mind. We strongly encourage families to use Stay & Play in a consistent manner; choose the days your child will attend on a trimester basis to help them build a predictable routine and expectation for his/her school week.

Following lunch, PK students will transition to a quiet rest time. This is a period for children to nap or rest after a busy morning. Each child will be provided with a child-sized cot to rest on in the afternoon. These cots will be set 6 feet apart during nap time. On the last day of every week, the cots will be stripped and the sheets sent out to be washed. The child's pillow and blanket will be sent home separately for washing. The cots themselves will be sanitized each week. Please send your child's bedding in a small tote that can be used to transport linens back and forth each week.

### **Registration**

At the beginning of the school year or trimester, parents may sign up for up to five days (Monday - Friday) of weekly, regular use of the Stay & Play program. Parents may change the day(s) of the week that are chosen on a monthly basis. If your child is absent on the day(s) they are signed up for Stay & Play, the missed day(s) may not be applied to a different day or week in the month, and refunds are not provided.

### **Cost of Stay & Play:**

Students registering for Stay & Play for the entire year get a discounted rate of \$3000/year (please note this discount is only available for the 2021-22 school year).

For monthly or trimester use, Stay & Play costs \$25 per day (which costs about \$4500/year). Stay & Play does not offer a single-day drop-in option.

# AfterCare

## (PK-SK)

Bennett Day offers daily AfterCare for PK-SK students. AfterCare is run by Bennett Day teachers and dedicated auxiliary staff. In Block 1, students enjoy a snack and participate in a class project following the theme of the day. During Block 2, students participate in open play and recess. New themes are offered each trimester to introduce Bennett students to new activities. Themes are chosen based on instructor availability and student interest.

### **AfterCare is run in a block system:**

- Block 1 begins at dismissal and ends at 4:30 pm
- Block 2 runs from 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm
- On Wednesdays and other half days, an Extended Day Block is in effect, which begins at dismissal and runs until 2:45 pm

### **Registration:**

Students can register ahead of time for programming on a trimester basis, or email [auxiliary@bennettday.org](mailto:auxiliary@bennettday.org) to sign up for single-day use.

### **Cost of Trimester AfterCare:**

- Block 1: \$25
- Block 2: \$12
- Extended Day: \$25

### **Cost of Single Day AfterCare:**

- Block 1: \$27
- Block 2: \$14
- Extended Day: \$27

See sample AfterCare themes on the next page (please note these are examples, not the confirmed themes for Fall 2021)



# Sample AfterCare Themes

## (PK-SK)



### **Bennett Ballers**

Each week players develop fundamental sport skills through dynamic games using age appropriate equipment. We'll focus on good sportsmanship and teamwork as we play basketball, soccer, baseball, dandball, and other team sports.



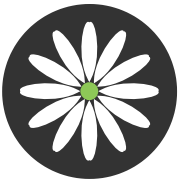
### **STEM Tales**

Each day will follow a different children's story and bring it to life. We'll build giant houses of straw, sticks, and stones and see which can withstand the breath of a Big Bad Wolf. We'll use our imagination to turn our classroom into the enchanted forest and see how quickly we can get through to grandmother's house.



### **Sculpture & Art**

During Sculpture & Art, students will be given the opportunity to create sculptures out of a variety of mediums. Projects are tailored to the group and involve unique functional and sculptural works designed to exercise each student's imagination. Independent thinking and problem-solving is encouraged every step of the way!



### **Garden Club**

Garden Club blends art, science, and nature into a fun and educational experience! We will learn about growing techniques, crops, insects, and urban farming.



### **Music & Movement**

Who doesn't love a good dance party in AfterCare? In addition to learning dances from all over the world, we'll also create our own instruments, explore songwriting, and curate a class album.



### **Jr. Architects**

It's time to build! Students will learn more about the buildings they live, learn, and play in each day. They will be given opportunities to design homes, skyscrapers, bridges, and more. They will create blueprints, design together, and compare the school's new wing to the original blueprints.



### **Slimy Science**

Calling all young scientists! In this class, we will explore biology, chemistry, and physics in a fun-filled, hands-on way. Discover physics laws in an awesome egg drop project, create chemical reactions that fizz and not fizzle, and make slime! Lots of fun combined with lots of learning.

# Bennett & Beyond

## (1st-4th Grade)

Bennett & Beyond (B&B) provides opportunities for 1st-4th grade students to dig deep into activities and special interests at the end of the school day. While they are in alignment with our philosophy and approach, they also offer opportunities to explore areas that are not a part of the daily Bennett experience.

Each trimester new Bennett & Beyond classes are offered. Bennett & Beyonds end at 4:30 pm, additional AfterCare is available until 5:30 pm.

### **B&Bs are run in a block system:**

- Block 1 B&B (when class is offered) begins at dismissal and ends at 4:30 pm
- Block 1 AfterCare is also available on a drop-in or pre-registered basis
- Block 2 AfterCare runs from 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm
- On Wednesdays and other half days, an Extended Day Block is in effect, which begins at dismissal and runs until 2:45 pm. Bennett & Beyonds are offered during Extended Day Block.

### **Registration:**

Students can register ahead of time for programming on a trimester basis, or email [auxiliary@bennettday.org](mailto:auxiliary@bennettday.org) to sign up for single-day use.

### **Cost:**

- Each Bennett & Beyond Class is \$350 for the trimester
- AfterCare Block 1 is \$25 per day
- AfterCare Block 2 is \$12 per day

See sample Bennett & Beyond classes on the next page (please note these are examples, not the confirmed classes for Fall 2021)

# Sample Bennett & Beyond Classes

## (1st-4th Grade)



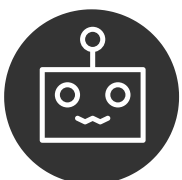
### Music

Group and private piano, guitar, and drum lessons are some of the offerings of the growing Bennett music program.



### Textiles & Art

Students will get to experiment with t-shirt making, sewing, puppets, and more in this hands-on textiles class. As always, student interest and input will determine projects completed.



### Coding & Robotics

Bennett's coding classes help students expand and apply their coding skills to real-world applications. Students will spend the trimester designing, building, and programming robots.



### Writer Workshop

Whether your student is a budding poet, author, songwriter, or playwright, this workshop will foster their skill and creativity. Peer review, dealing with writer's block, and the process of becoming a professional writer will be covered throughout the trimester.



### Rock Climbing

Bennett's bouldering wall is here! Students will learn fundamental problem-solving skills and get some energy out during these classes. Bouldering is known for inspiring creativity, widening perspective, and being fun! We're excited to bring an in-house bouldering wall to Bennett.



### Comic Book Design & Art

It's a bird, it's a plane, it's a...really great comic strip! We'll work on our drawing and storytelling skills in this super class! For inspiration, we will look at the history of cartoons from Peanuts to E-Cartoons.



### Blue Jay Athletics

Blue Jay Athletic time will be a blend of team sports, individual training, and fundamental skill development. Lesson plans will be created based on class interest and age.

# Clubs & Athletics

## (5th-12th Grade)

Middle School and Upper School students have a variety of clubs and athletic options to participate in each trimester at no additional cost. Each year our athletic and social programs continue to expand to offer opportunities for our students.

Students can start their own clubs and activities in addition to the school-sponsored opportunities. A school-supervised Study Hall is also offered every day until 5:00 pm.

### School Sponsored Clubs

- School Play (September - December)
- Robotics (February - May)
- Model UN
- Chess
- Newspaper

### Student Sponsored Clubs

- Requirements:
  - Minimum of 4 participants
  - Students work together to define the club's goals & purpose
  - Students are responsible for finding a Faculty Sponsor

### Athletics:

Season	Middle School	Upper School
Fall	Fencing	Volleyball*
Fall	Swim	Swim
Winter	Bowling	Bowling
Winter	Basketball*	Basketball*
Spring	Tennis	Tennis
Spring	Track	Track

\*For the 2021-22 school year these may be practice squads only.  
Competitive play is TBD based upon COVID-related health & safety protocols.



# Annual Cost Overview

Here's what families can expect to pay annually for each of our Auxiliary Programs:

Program	Drop-In Price	5 Days/Week	4 Days/Week	3 Days/Week	2 Days/Week	1 Day/Week
Stay & Play (PK Only) 11:30-2:45 pm	N/A	\$3,000*	\$3,600	\$2,700	\$1,800	\$900
AfterCare Block 1 2:45-4:45pm	\$27/Day	\$4,500	\$3,600	\$2,700	\$1,800	\$900
AfterCare Block 2 4:45-5:30pm	\$14/Day	\$2,250	\$1,800	\$1,350	\$900	\$450
Bennett & Beyond 2:45-4:30pm	N/A	\$5,250	\$4,200	\$3,150	\$2,100	\$1,050

\*Students registering for Stay & Play for the entire year get a discounted rate of \$3000/year.

- To lock in this discounted rate for the 2021-22 school year, families need to register for Stay & Play before the first day of school on August 30, 2021.
- For monthly or trimester use, Stay & Play costs \$25 per day (which costs about \$4500/year).
- Please note this Stay & Play discount is only available for the 2021-22 school year.

## Questions?

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