



Auburn Adventures Childcare Program

September 15, 2020 Update: Grant Approval!

FREE 8:00am-3:00pm Childcare Coverage NOW AVAILABLE

We are excited to announce that the City of Auburn has received a grant from the *Maine Department of Education Coronavirus Relief Fund* specific for day programming for school age children!

WHAT THIS MEANS: These funds will offset program costs from 8:00am-3:00pm, Monday through Friday. The program allows for up to 3 days of coverage (4/5-day coverage not permitted).

Length of Grant: This grant will be for a 15-week period and cover program costs from September 14 – December 22. Our plan is to have a set roster by October 1 and stick with that roster until December 22, so we are seeing the same kids for the rest of the 2020 calendar year. Pending how this fall/early winter go (with in-person school days), we anticipate running this program for the remainder of the school year. We should know by December if another round of grants has been awarded and what costs will be for the 2021 portion of the program.

Does this cover non-school days? This grant is for school days only and does NOT include teacher workshop days, holidays, or vacation days. Auburn Recreation will offer all-day childcare for those days (\$20 a day). December Vacation Camp will have discounted pricing.

Before/After Care: We will be offering a before/after care package for \$15 a day at the HASTY location ONLY. This will cover mornings from 7:15-8:00am and afternoons from 3:00-5:30pm. If you enroll in before/after care, we will charge your account, in advance, for 1 month's worth of days. Staff will communicate when those charges will be coming, what days they cover, and final costs.

Additional Locations: We have secured additional locations within Auburn if we need space to add more kids. Additional locations are contingent upon proper staffing levels.

Back-up Plans: We are prepared to transition this program into ESSENTIAL full-day childcare if the schools move to all-remote due to a spike in cases or an outbreak. If schools return a full-time schedule, this program will transition into a before/aftercare program (cost unknown at this time).

Registration Capacity: We currently have LIMITED openings for both our K-6th and 7-8th grade offerings, but as we secure more staff for the Monday/Tuesday and Thursday/Friday options, we will add kids from our waitlist. *Please make sure you enroll on the waitlist for the days you need* so as soon as staff is secured, we can add kids. Note: for every 1 staff member we can add 10 kids.

If you have questions, please call 333-6611 or email auburnrec@auburnmaine.gov.



Other “Auburn Adventures” Programs

Middle School Remote Day Program

Auburn Recreation is partnering with the **YMCA** and **Community Youth Services** to offer a **FREE** Middle School option for our Auburn Adventures program. The Middle School program will be structured to provide a small group of 7-8th graders with the basic needs on remote learning days including: Wi-Fi access, a classroom setting with adult supervision (provided by Community Youth Services) while logged into their remote day learning labs, access to food, social interaction, educational support, STEM projects, and physical activity. (Maximum capacity 8)

This program will be open for Auburn Middle School Students (7-8th grade)

Dates: September 21 – December 22
(no holidays, no vacation or teacher workshop days)

Days: Three options: sign up for Wednesday only, a 2-day option, or a combination (no 4- or 5-day options).

Monday/Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday/Friday

Time: 8:00am - 3:00pm only

Grades: 7-8th grade

Cost: FREE

Location: YMCA top floor (Pleasant Street entrance)

Coordinator: Chris Hatch, Community Youth Services,
christopherhatch@communityyouthservicesinc.org

K - 6th Grade Remote Day Program

Auburn Adventures was designed to help provide childcare needs for kids in grades K - 6 during the school year on remote learning days. The program goal is for kids to have a fun, safe place to go during the day while parents work and are provided with the basic needs: Wi-Fi access, a classroom setting with certified ‘helpers’ while logged into remote day learning labs, access to food, social interaction, education support, STEM projects, and physical activity. (Maximum Capacity 80)

Dates: September 14 – December 22
(no holidays, no vacation or teacher workshop days)

Days: Three options: sign up for Wednesday only, a 2-day option, or a combination (no 4- or 5-day options).

Monday/Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday/Friday

Time/Cost: 8:00am-3:00pm FREE

Before/Aftercare package: \$15 a day covers 7:15am-5:30pm (paid 1 month at a time)

Grades: K - 6th

Location: Hasty Community Center and Ingersoll Turf Facility (additional sites as needed)

Coordinator: Dawna Daigle (Certified Ed Tech III)
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Register at Auburn Recreation 333-6611 or at www.auburnrecreation.com