Skills for Success (S4S)

~A 21st Century Community Learning Center

Richardson Elementary School

The Skills for Success (S4S) program provides comprehensive, developmentally appropriate after-school activities, along with community support and education, for Richardson Elementary School students — all free of charge.

This program provides opportunities that directly benefit the academic and social needs of each student with a focus on reading, math, language arts, computer literacy, and positive self-concept.

Skills for Success activities include academic student enrichment through tutoring and computer assisted instruction, after-school high interest classes, indoor and outdoor recreation, adult mentoring, and numerous educational opportunities for the surrounding community. By providing these activities, the Skills for Success staff members hope to enrich and enhance the lives of those attending Richardson Elementary School.

Daily Schedule

Skills for Success operates Monday through Thursday, after school, beginning on August 21, 2017 and ending on May 10, 2018. The afternoon program will run from 2:10 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. If you have to pick your child up early, please contact the Site Coordinators Diane Gale or Margaret Lenard at 520-442-8921. Depending on a student’s grade level, he/she can attend the afternoon program on certain days of the week. You may choose all days offered:

- Monday: Kinder, 1st and 2nd Graders
- Tuesday: Kinder, 1st and 2nd Graders
- Wednesday: 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th Graders
- Thursday: 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th Graders

NEW DISMISSAL TIME!!! 4:30
NEW PHONE # 520-442-8921

There is open enrollment for Skills for Success all year. New students will be enrolled for the NEXT enrollment day. Students are strongly encouraged to attend throughout the entire year. Skills for Success is closed on early-release days and no-school days. Please refer to the calendar in this brochure for specific dates of closure.

ATTENDANCE

Students will be dismissed to S4S on scheduled days unless written or verbal parental/guardian consent is communicated to the regular classroom teacher and the S4S site coordinators. You can also sign your student out in the Office after school. It is your responsibility to communicate Skills attendance changes due to after school sports schedules.

Richardson’s Site Coordinators are Diane Gale (teaching assistant) and Margaret Lenard (teaching assistant). They can be reached at 520-442-8921 regarding all S4S site questions.

If you have any questions about Skills for Success, please call Flowing Wells Extension Programs, Inc. at (520) 887-2600.
INFORMATION ABOUT SKILLS FOR SUCCESS

CLASS SCHEDULE

Skills for Success offers four core classes: **Reading**, **Technology**, **Homework Tutoring**, and **Recreation**. In the afternoon program, students will rotate to all four classes for 25 minutes each day. All classes will be taught by Richardson teachers and staff!

Students in **Reading** will work on their reading comprehension and literacy skills participating in a number of interactive and engaging activities.

**Technology** will prepare the students for the future by providing them with the skills necessary to navigate a computer and other high-tech equipment.

In **Homework Tutoring**, students are expected to bring their homework and work individually or in partners (if applicable) to complete their assignments. The Skills for Success homework teacher and volunteers are there to give struggling children individual attention. **Students will need to bring homework packets and a book to read.** Please know that not all homework will be completed during a 25 minute rotation. Students will be encouraged to take out the “hardest” homework so that the teacher can help. You will still need to initial and check for completion. **“Parental Involvement” homework needs to be completed at home.**

In **Recreation**, children will work on gross and fine motor skills while in a fun and energy-filled environment. Children in Recreation are usually found playing organized sports, games, and skill-based drills. **Please be sure that your child is wearing appropriate footwear.**

**FREE AFTERNOON SNACK**

A free snack is available to all children who are signed-in to afternoon Skills for Success. All snacks consist of at least two of the four major food groups and are prepared by Southwest Foodservice. **Yummy!**

SIGN UP NOW

Please **read, complete, and sign** ALL attached paperwork:

- Enrollment Form (one for each child attending)
- Parent Agreement (on back of enrollment form)
- Technology Use (one for each child attending)

Completed forms (a total of 3) may be turned in at the school’s front office or to the Skills for Success program coordinators. **Please keep the schedule, parent/guardian agreement and calendar in a safe place.** Reminders will not be sent home.

DISMISSAL

Students **being picked up** will be dismissed from inside of the MPR at 4:30. Please **do not enter campus at the YES gate**. Please park in the west parking lot and walk to the west MPR entrance. The gate will be unlocked prior to dismissal. **You must check your student out from the MPR each day.** Children will only be released to adults listed on the registration form. Please communicate these expectations to everyone on your “Pick-Up” list.

If you need to pick up your child early from Skills, you must call the site coordinators at 520-442-8921. Your child will be brought to the front entrance.
Y.E.S. Program

Don’t forget about Youth Enrichment Services!

Youth Enrichment Services (Y.E.S.) is a licensed childcare program operated by Flowing Wells Extension Programs, Inc. (F.W.E.P.), working in cooperation with the Flowing Wells School District. The Y.E.S. Program is licensed by the Department of Health and the Department of Economic Security. Y.E.S. is open before and after school from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

At Y.E.S., the professionally trained staff members plan and conduct unique activities to help children build self-esteem and expand their knowledge. In addition to typical daily activities such as homework tutoring, arts and crafts, and drama, children have the opportunity to participate in fieldtrips, community service activities, and other exciting events.

Fees and Admission

Funding for the operation of Y.E.S. is derived solely from tuition of the students who attend the program. There is an annual, non-refundable registration fee per child: $60.00 for the first child, $55.00 for the second child, and $50.00 for each child thereafter.

The Y.E.S. rate is $4.00 per hour per child. Minimum billing time is one hour per day. If your child does not attend the program for one week, your account will be automatically charged $25.00 per child.

If you have any questions, please call (520) 887-2600 between 7:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

High Interest Clubs and Additional Activities

As always, Skills for Success will also offer several high interest clubs and additional activities. During these clubs and activities, which will take place after school, the students will participate in a variety of fun and engaging pastimes, all while gaining valuable skills that they can use in school or at home!

**This year's classes include:** Cross-Age Mentoring, Art, Science, and Dance!

Enrollment information for these activities will be sent home with Richardson Elementary School students at a later date, so be sure to look out for it!