

The Organization

Founded in 2002 by a group of local parents, the Williams After School Club, Inc. (WASC) is a not-for-profit corporation, which continues to be run by parents. All parents of children in the program are members of the WASC Corporation. Programming, administration, management and care of the children during the program hours are the responsibility of the paid professional educators. The program is separate from the Newton Public Schools, but enjoys a congenial working relationship with the school system and rents space in the Williams Elementary School.

Parents are expected to attend an annual meeting, at which time procedures and policies will be reviewed. The Board of Directors represents all members in administering and supervising the program.

The Department of Early Education & Care (EEC) is our licensing authority. Terese Walkeapaa is our Program Director. Full-time and part-time educators also staff the program.

WASC does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin, handicap, sex, religion, cultural heritage, political beliefs, marital status, disability, and/or sexual orientation. Toilet training status is not an eligibility requirement for enrollment.

Kindergarten Program

During the WASC Kindergarten Short Day Program, the Kindergarteners are the only children in WASC. It's a perfect opportunity for enrichment for your Kindergartner. Group time, special thematic units, and a small educator-to-child ratio contribute to this special program.

Registration & Intake Information

The program requests, but does not require parents to visit the program prior to registering a child. An "open house" will be held the day before school starts each year, but you may visit the program at any time during the school year. Registration forms are mailed upon request. Submitting a new registration form along with the required registration fee does not guarantee enrollment. Registration for the fall will begin in the spring.

Priority for entrance into WASC will be reserved for children attending the Williams Elementary School – after which children from outside schools will be admitted, provided space is available. Siblings of currently enrolled children are given first priority. All other new registrants are accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis.

For More Information

Please visit our website, or contact our Program Director, Terese Walkeapaa, for more information:

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About The Program Director

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My name is Terese Walkeapaa, and I am the Program Director of the WASC program. I have worked as a school-age professional for over twenty years, and am currently a National AfterSchool Association (NAA) endorser. I was born and raised in Newton and I am very proud to be a part of this successful WASC afterschool program.



We offer the children of the Williams Elementary School District community a nurturing, educational and safe environment. The approach we take towards providing this service is simple: Quality educators enriching the lives of our youth with their individual needs considered. This is achieved through continuous parental contact and a low educator-to-child ratio. We look forward to your family joining ours.

Why Choose WASC?

Educator-to-Child Ratio

During Kindergarten time at WASC, we have a low educator-to-children ratio (1:4). We have three full-time staff dedicated to this specialized program.

Location of WASC

WASC is located in room 115 of the Williams Elementary School. Our Kindergarten Coordinator, Deneika Morton, arrives at your child's classroom and speaks to the academic teacher to see how your child's day went, and then escorts all of the Kindergarteners to WASC. This process allows a stress-free, smooth transition to the recreational part of your child's day.

Our Williams Elementary School Relationship

The WASC program is separate from the City of Newton and rents space in the Williams Elementary School. Over the past eight years, all of the educators at WASC have built a friendly and supportive relationship with all of the teachers and staff at the Williams Elementary School. The WASC educators are in constant contact with teachers and staff, allowing us the opportunity to have an in-depth look into your child's day. This allows us to assist your child in their daily needs, whereas we will know if your child had a belly ache, lost a tooth or had a difficult day..., or simply a fabulous day in the life of a Kindergartener.

Social Time

During Kindergarten time, your child will not only participate and increase their general knowledge during our activity time, but they also have an opportunity to: make new friends; socialize with children of different cultures; socialize with children in other grades; and increase their language, fine motor, gross motor and cognitive skills.

Special Events

When WASC has a special event scheduled for the 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM time, we run a program during the Kindergarten time that is closely matched to the afternoon program, so everyone has a chance to participate.

Thematic Units

Each month the educators plan and implement a thematic unit for our Kindergarten program. Some thematic units of program activities which are offered, but not limited to, include Countries Around the World, Dr. Seuss, Sports, My Community, and Rain Forest Animals.

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