



C.A.R.E.S. Office:

3:00-6:00pm

(516) 594-2351

# C.A.R.E.S. PROGRAM

**Grades  
1-6**

## Children's After-School Recreational, Educational and Social Program

The Oceanside School District and the Department of Community Activities have coordinated an after-school program designed to meet your child's recreational, educational and social needs in a professionally supervised, caring atmosphere.

### SCHEDULE

- ★ The **C.A.R.E.S.** program operates five days a week from **3:05-4:30pm** or **3:05-6:00pm** for Grades 1-6.
- ★ Please be aware of the afternoon pick-up schedule for which you have registered. **ONE REMINDER** will be given the first time late pick-up occurs. An additional **\$25 charge** for each late pick-up thereafter.
- ★ Children may be signed out by their parent/guardian at any time prior to their scheduled time.
- ★ All children must be picked up from CARES by **6:00pm** at the latest.

### TRANSPORTATION

Children are picked up from their home schools; #2, #3, #4, #5, #8 & #9E and private schools, and transported by bus to the **C.A.R.E.S.** site at School #6, Merle Avenue.

### PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

Homework Time ★ Daily Snacks ★ Storytime  
Cooking (*age appropriate*) ★ Quiet Games/Movies  
★ Indoor/Outdoor Activities ★ Arts & Crafts  
(*volleyball, baseball, soccer, hockey, basketball, races, etc.*)

### FACULTY

The **C.A.R.E.S.** program is run by a professional, certified teaching staff including experienced instructors for all specialty areas. An average ratio of 8 children per staff member allows for quality interaction.

### FEES

**Please Note: Fees are calculated based on the total number of days in the school year.**

Payment is due the **1st of each month**. If payment is not received by the **5th of the month**, your child will be dropped from the program. The home school will be notified immediately.

Make checks payable to: **Oceanside UFSD**

Mail to: **Dept. of Community Activities, 125 Merle Ave., Oceanside, NY 11572**

#### **3:05pm - 4:30pm**

|                    | <u>1<sup>st</sup> Child</u> | <u>2<sup>nd</sup> Child</u> | <u>3<sup>rd</sup> Child</u> |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 5 afternoons ..... | \$143                       | \$119                       | \$95                        |
| 4 afternoons ..... | \$119                       | \$96                        | \$75                        |
| 3 afternoons ..... | \$85                        | \$76                        | \$66                        |
| 2 afternoons ..... | \$72                        | \$63                        | \$51                        |

#### **3:05pm - 6:00pm**

|                   | <u>1<sup>st</sup> Child</u> | <u>2<sup>nd</sup> Child</u> | <u>3<sup>rd</sup> Child</u> |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 5 afternoons..... | \$281                       | \$236                       | \$192                       |
| 4 afternoons..... | \$236                       | \$189                       | \$140                       |
| 3 afternoons..... | \$173                       | \$143                       | \$111                       |
| 2 afternoons..... | \$140                       | \$125                       | \$109                       |

## C.A.R.E.S. Program Procedures and Policies

### DISMISSAL

- You must “sign-out” your child at the allocated checkout stations and obtain a **release pass**.  
There are two checkout stations:
  1. The first one is located at the C.A.R.E.S. office in the School #6, Merle Avenue Cafeteria.
  2. The second is located in the hallway adjacent to the cafeteria.
- When picking up your child, proper photo identification is required, ie. a driver’s license.
- **You are required to give the release pass to your child’s group counselor. If you do not give this pass to your child’s group counselor, the staff has been instructed not to release your child.**

### IMPORTANT:

*According to the School District’s insurance policies, once your child is signed out of C.A.R.E.S. for the day, he/she must leave the building with the person picking them up.*

*The C.A.R.E.S. staff is not held responsible for your child after they are released.*

### ABSENCES

- Please be sure to call **BOTH** the home school that your child attends **AND** the D.O.C.A. office at 594-2336 on days that your child is not going to attend the C.A.R.E.S. program.
- The C.A.R.E.S. telephone number from 3:00 pm – 6:00 pm is 594-2351.

### SCHEDULE CHANGES

- All changes in daily schedule must be submitted on a blue **Attendance Revision Form** available at the D.O.C.A. office.
- *Please do your best to keep schedule changes to a minimum.*

### WITHDRAWAL FROM C.A.R.E.S.

- If you withdraw your child from the C.A.R.E.S. program, **D.O.C.A. must be notified in writing**. Please submit a signed letter to the D.O.C.A. office indicating the child’s name and the date on which withdrawal becomes effective otherwise you will be charged.

### PAYMENT OF TUITION

- **Payment is due the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month.**
- **If payment is not received by the 5<sup>th</sup> of the month, your child will be dropped from the program. The home school will be notified immediately.**
- Fees are calculated based on the total number of days in the school year.
- **No Bill Will Be Sent!** Parents/Guardians are responsible for keeping their accounts up to date.
- Check, Money Order or Cash only. Please make checks payable to *Oceanside UFSD* and include your child’s first and last name.
- Payment schedule **will not** be adjusted for absence due to illness, vacations, short-term activities such as clubs.