

Park Slope Afterschool Center FAQ Fall 2020

Q. What happens when there is inclement weather?

A. In the case of rain, snow, or temperatures below 34 degrees, in-person Pods will move to Zoom. Families will be notified via e-mail by 12:00 pm at the latest, and earlier if at all possible.

Q. What happens to programs if PS107 goes to all remote learning?

A. In the case that PS107 goes to all remote learning, all online offerings will continue as usual. Hour-long stand-alone specialty class pods will continue to meet in person, but all two hour "Free Play Pods" will move to Zoom.

Q: Will my child be able to stay at 107 when the school day is done, and transition to Afterschool like last year?

A: Unfortunately not. While we tried to make this a possibility, teachers' schedules and permit issues made the staffing impossible. Children will need to be picked up from 107 at the end of their day by their family, and then brought to their Afterschool class at the given time. Time will vary depending on the class. Dropoff location is, at this point, TBA.

Q: Why do I still have to pay if my child's pod has to be quarantined, and I would rather not have my child participate in a remote version of the programming?

A: Due to our need to cover costs on an ongoing basis, we must have continuous payment, regardless of a family's choice to not take the option to join a Zoom session.

Q. Why are rates different from last year?

A. Due to the great reduction in the number of students staff can now serve (only 9 students at a time) and the need for increased supervision with activities taking place outside of school, rates for this year have been adjusted accordingly to cover cost. These costs also help to off-set the need to provide scholarship support for families in need.

Q: How will privacy be maintained if a child contracts Covid?

A. We will contact families in any Pod where there is a confirmed case of Covid-19. To ensure the privacy of all families, we will only notify that a student has been confirmed, but we will not release names.

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Q. Why is a great class offered for one grade but not another?

A. We are doing our best to provide fun programming for all ages. Historically we have provided tons of different specialty programs throughout the five days and grades, but this year we are much more limited. We are unable to combine grades or cohorts for in-person classes and are limited in the number of children each can take. Along with our specialty instructors only being able to serve one grade at a time, some of our providers from previous years were not able to perform services in a way that matched our needs for the start of the year. Our hope is to continue to add programming as the year goes on, so please let us know if your child is interested in a class not offered for their grade.

Q: I want to pay my fees in full but am being charged per month. Can I change that?

A: Our new registration system is set up for monthly payments only. The only fee you pay in full is the one-time, yearly registration fee, or single small group tutoring. **Parents are not charged a fee for using their credit cards.**

Q: Can I use E-check or check to pay my fees?

A: No. Unfortunately we are not accepting checks at this time. Our system only uses debit or credit cards. Again, fees will not be charged to families.

Q: Are the fees structured the same as last year: monthly, two days, daily?

A: Nope. Our fee structure this year is per class.