



WEST CHICAGO ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

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Board of Education

TO: Board of Education
FROM: Assistant Director of Athletics and Activities, Julie Odom
DATE: August 21, 2025
RE: Beyond the Bell Programs

This memo is:

- ☒ Information only
☐ Information with a recommendation and a request for Board approval by vote.

Date by which a Board decision is needed:

Previous memos on this topic can be found:

- ☐ in previous Board packet(s) dated.
☐ or attached to this memo

Basic Information:

During the 2025-26 school year, after-school programming will be offered to all District 33 students in grades 1-8, Monday through Thursday. For elementary students (grades 1-5), the primary offering will be Impact Kids, an enrichment program featuring academic, athletic, and interest-based activities such as coding, robotics, athletics, curiosity club (science experiments), arts and crafts, Spanish, and homework help. Sessions will run from 3:35-4:45 pm on a trimester schedule. Impact Kids will hire and pay instructors, with support from the Assistant Director of Athletics and Activities. D33 staff will be given priority to apply for positions at the district club rate, and Impact Kids will provide instructors if needed. Parents will register directly through Impact Kids. Activity buses will be available for all bus-eligible students.

Sample/Draft Schedule (may change) [English](#)/[Spanish](#)

**PROGRAMAS EXTRAESCOLARES
PRIMER TRIMESTRE**

INSCRIPCIONES ABIERTAS HASTA EL 29 DE AGOSTO. CURSOS HASTA LAS 16:45 HORAS.

	Lunes	Martes	Miércoles	Jueves
grados 1-2	artes y oficios	kárate	baloncesto	club de la curiosidad
grados 3-5	kárate	artes y oficios	codificación y robótica	baloncesto

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CAPE REGISTRO SEPARADO

**AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS
TRIMESTER 1**

OPEN REGISTRATION NOW UNTIL AUGUST 29TH. COURSES UNTIL 4:45PM

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Grades 1-2	Arts & Crafts	Karate	Basketball	Curiosity Club
Grades 3-5	Karate	Arts & Crafts	Coding & Robotics	Basketball

QUESTIONS? CONTACT OUR ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS & ACTIVITIES AT ODOMJ@WEGO33.ORG

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CAPE REGISTRATION SEPARATELY

At Leman Middle School (grades 6-8), the Beyond the Bell program will continue, with both *MyLearning* (focused on literacy, math, recovery, enrichment, and homework support) and *MyInterest* (interest-based clubs). Programming will run from 2:45-4:15 pm, and students can attend two or four days per week. MyLearning will be staffed by D33 teachers and paraprofessionals, and supported by a Lead Teacher who manages enrollment, student support, and coordination with the Teaching and Learning department. MyInterest will remain student interest-based and be staffed by D33 employees. Activity buses will be available for all bus-eligible students. In addition, CAPE will continue at Currier and Turner from 3:45-6:00 pm, and Puente del Pueblo partnerships will remain in place at Indian Knoll, Wegner, and Leman.

Background/Historical Context:

District 33's after-school programming falls under the **Beyond the Bell** umbrella, encompassing academic support (*MyLearning*), student-led clubs (*MyInterest*), and community partnerships such as CAPE, Puente del Pueblo, Healthy West Chicago, and now Impact Kids. The district's overarching goal is to create consistent, engaging, and enriching opportunities for students while addressing operational and staffing challenges. Expanding Impact Kids across elementary schools is a way to streamline programs, reduce costs, and ensure a more uniform student experience.

Previous decisions, actions, or parameters that relate to this topic or issue:

Recommendations: