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Dear Families,

Avon Maitland District School Board values the partnerships it has with the Before-and-After School Program providers that support our most valuable resource - our students. Greater integration between schools and Before-and-After School Programs are a key part of the province of Ontario's vision for a responsive, high-quality system that contributes to the healthy development of children.

Beginning each school year, the Avon Maitland District School Board uses a series of viability process checks to ensure the provision of Before-and-After School Programs for Kindergarten to Grade 6 students. This process helps to determine where there is sufficient demand for Before-and-After School Programs. These important viability checks begin with our newest students and their parents/guardians at the Calling All Three-Year-Old registration events in schools each November.

In addition, a letter was provided to parents/guardians earlier this year outlining the school communities that expressed interest in Before-and-After School Programs for Kindergarten to Grade 6 students. In cooperation with these schools, the program providers have completed a registration process and have indicated the details of the types of Before-and-After School Programs to be offered.

The attached table indicates the schools where programs will be offered. It provides information on the range of programs offered based on the required number of registrations attained, days operated, time and costs.

Please note that costs vary according to the program provider and have been included as a general overview. Costs are subject to change. In the event that a Before-and-After Program provider ceases operation during the school year and a suitable replacement cannot be obtained, the Avon Maitland District School Board will offer a replacement program at the board determined cost of \$34.50. This program would include Kindergarten to Grade 6 students.

Please direct any questions about Before-and-After School Programs to Facilities Officer, Laurel Mitchell at 1-800-592-5437, extension 205. For registration or questions about a specific program, please contact the appropriate program provider via the information included in the chart.

Sincerely,

Jane Morris

Superintendent of Education