What is **Tiger Care?**



The Tiger Care Program at Tri-Township Public School is a service to working parents for your elementary and junior-high aged children to have a safe place to be from the time school is dismissed until as late as 6:00 PM every day that school is in session. All children registered in the program are offered snack time and homework support by a licensed elementary teacher. There are also enrichment activities for students who do not have homework, such as computer skills and group projects. After their work is done, they also get supervised recess, including some exercise and educational games. At least once per school year, they have the opportunity to participate in a service project, and sometimes a field trip. Friday is typically a movie day. Tiger Care is not a replacement for your family's babysitter. There is no Tiger Care when school is not in session. If school is dismissed early, Tiger Care is cancelled too. Activities are designed for students up to age 14.

What will Tiger Care expect from my child?

All Tri-Township School Corporation regulations are in effect at all Tiger Care activities. Your child needs to be ready for an extended school day in a group setting. Tiger Care rules focus on the positive character traits of Responsibility and Kindness. In keeping with that, I also ask children third-grade and older to bring a silent reading library book in case they finish homework and computer work before the others are ready for recess.

What does Tiger Care expect from parents?

Prior to your child's first day of attendance in Tiger Care, you need to register your child on paperwork available from me or from the school office so that I have up-to-date information about your child(ren) and how to reach you. If your child becomes seriously ill during Tiger Care time, you will need to pick him or her up right away, or make arrangements for someone else on your child's pick-up list to do so. We also ask that you send a note each day that you want your child to attend Tiger Care unless your child already has an established attendance pattern at Tiger Care. You can send a note each time with your child or, before noon each time, email me at Imroz@tritownship.k12.in.us and copy the secretary, lindsayhuhnke@tritownship.k12.in.us. In the event of an emergency last minute change, you can call the office at (219) 733-2815. If your child participates in another after-school activity, such as an athletic program, you will need to pick up your child from Tiger Care and take him or her to the other activity.

Is this a free service?

No. There is an hourly charge of \$3.00 per hour per child. Charges are calculated rounding to the quarter hour, except after 6:10 PM, in which case the full-hour late fee will be charged instead. Your balance will be calculated at the end of the day each Friday, and payment is due immediately. You can make your check payable to Tri-Township School, with "Tiger Care" written on the memo line. If you prefer to send cash with your child, put it in an envelope with your name, your child's name, and "Tiger Care" written on the outside. Paying your balance in full weekly helps ensure that your child will be allowed to continue to attend.

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