EXPANDED LEARNING PROGRAM

(Formerly Campus Club, ELOP & ASES)

Frequently Asked Questions

General Information

1. **Why are you changing the name?** All 3 programs (Campus Club, ELOP and ASES) provide the same services to our students with a focus on providing a safe, academic, and enriching experience. To streamline our systems, provide clarity to families, students, and staff, and to best utilize our resources, we are uniting under one unified name.

Application Information

2. **If my student/s are currently in program, will I already have a spot in program next year?** No, everyone must reapply every year for a place in program.

3. **What if I am working on transferring my student, would I be able to apply for the new school before my transfer gets approved?** No, you may only apply for the school that your student is currently enrolled in for the 23-24 school year. Once the transfer is approved and you have completed all required steps with the new school, you can contact the Child Development office to transfer your application to the new school. We cannot guarantee enrollment at the new school.

4. **Why does the application in Parent Connect not open exactly at 5pm?** Once triggered by us to open the application, the Parent Connect system resets which takes a little time for the application to appear opened on the user end. We make every effort to have this happen as close to 5pm as possible, however we do not want anyone to worry if the application is not available right at 5pm. It may take a couple minutes.

5. **If I have a student already in school and an incoming Kindergartener, how would I ensure both of them get into program?** The best way to ensure students get into program is to complete the application as early as possible once it opens. Every student must reapply every year, so both students would need a new application. We make every effort to enroll all students in the same family.

6. **How do I ensure my incoming TK/Kinder or new to Clovis Unified student can apply to be in program on April 14th?** You need to make sure you have fully enrolled with the school registrar at the school site your student will attend. You will need to have access to Parent Connect prior to April 14th. If you have completed your registration with the school and are still unable to access Parent Connect by April 14th, there will be an application link for

incoming TK/Kinder only on our Child Development website at 5pm on April 14th.

Program Information

7. **Why do I have to enroll my student a minimum number of days/hours?** The purpose of Expanded Learning is to provide enrichment, academic and health/social-emotional opportunities and support for students. For students to get the most benefit from our program and to allow us to properly staff each program, we require a minimum number of days/hours.

8. **Why do I need to leave my student in program until 4pm or later?** The purpose of Expanded Learning is to provide enrichment, academic and health/social-emotional opportunities and support for students. If students are picked up early, they do not have the opportunity to engage in the services we provide.

9. **Do students get a snack?** Yes, all students receive a nutritious snack during the after-school program. Clovis Unified Campus Catering ensures the after-school snack meets the federal and state regulations.

10. **Can I use program (before or after school) on a day my student is not scheduled for in the case of an emergency?** No, for safety reasons we cannot have any students attend program on a day they are not currently scheduled to attend. If you know in advance you will need to add program, you can call the Child Development office (327-9160) to find out how to make an emergency change.

11. **Can an older sibling pick up my student from program?** Yes, if the sibling is over 18, you must add them to the Release Contacts in Parent Connect. If they are under 18, the enrolling parent must complete a Release of Liability form. These forms are available in the Child Development office or at the program site.

12. **Will my student finish all their homework in program?** The after-school program provides a daily opportunity for students to complete their homework. A suitable setting, basic materials and basic support will be offered from program staff. However, we do not provide one-to-one tutoring and we cannot guarantee completion or accuracy of assignments. Our program is staffed at 20 students to 1 adult ratio. Parents/Guardians MUST continue to check your student's planner and/or homework each night.

13. **If my student is absent from school, can they still come to program that day?** No, if a student is not at school, regardless of the reason, the student may not attend program.

Fee-Waiver Information

14. **Why are some school sites free programs and some paid programs?**
    Families qualify for a fee-waiver for program by meeting one or more of the following 4 criteria:
    a. **Qualify for Free/Reduced Cost Meals.** For more information: https://www.cusd.com/NoCostMeals.aspx
    b. **Foster Youth**
    c. **Homeless**
    d. **English Learner**

    If a school qualifies as a Title I or CEP school, all students attending that school will qualify automatically for a fee-waiver.
    If a school does not qualify as Title I or CEP school, a student may qualify individually for a fee-waiver by meeting one or more of the qualifications above. If you believe you may qualify for a fee-waiver, please contact the Child Development office at 327-9160.

Full Day Program Information

15. **Why is Summer Program only 4 days per week this year?** As a district, Clovis Unified operates a 4-day work week in the summer (Monday – Thursday). Out of concerns for student and staff safety we have adjusted our schedule to reflect the district's schedule. This allows us to have complete support from custodial, maintenance, district office, transportation, Campus Catering, and other district partners the entire time we are operating summer program.
    a. If your student receives a fee-waiver during the school year, the fee-waiver eligibility will follow them to full day program.