



Red Caboose fosters a sense of community among children, their families, and staff, with a commitment to diversity and inclusion. We provide excellent education, nutrition, and play-based learning for children in a nurturing, safe environment emphasizing healthy social-emotional development.

After School Enrollment Packet 2024-2025

History and Overview

Red Caboose is a non-profit corporation since 1972 and is the oldest independent center in Madison. It is licensed by the state of Wisconsin and accredited by the City of Madison. We have been providing after school care at Lapham Elementary since 1990 and at Marquette Elementary since 1992. In addition, we offer summer camp (Camp Caboose) for school age children. Red Caboose has a strong tradition of serving all children, including those with special educational, emotional, and physical needs.

Program Schedule

Program starts at school dismissal (Mondays at 1:10 PM and Tuesdays-Fridays at 2:35 PM) and closes at 5:45 PM every day. Your child will have the opportunity to participate in fun, creative activities that are focused on your child's interests and guided by our highly professional and qualified staff.

Child-Centered Care

To provide high quality care, we strive to maintain a ratio of 1 teacher to 10-12 children, offer a nourishing snack, and include a variety of cooperative play and learning opportunities for your child. We allow time for quiet play and reading, active and outdoor play, field trips, small and large group and individual activities. Activities are offered in the areas of arts and crafts, games, small manipulatives, dramatic play, science, and cooking.

Days of Play

Red Caboose After School provides care on days when school is not in regular session. However, there is an additional separate enrollment and fee. For No Public School Days, we provide care at either Lapham or Marquette and for Early Release Days, we provide care at both sites. This includes Winter and Spring Break. The Days of Play Enrollment Form can be found on page 10. If you realize you do not need care on these days two week notice from the date is required to dis-enroll from days of play. If your child is absent or Red Caboose closes for inclement weather on these days, charges are still applied.

Scholarships and funding

Red Caboose accepts childcare subsidy funding from the city, state and county. In addition, we have a small scholarship fund for our School Age Program. If you have questions please contact Red Caboose Child Care Center.

Any questions? For questions about our program, please contact our Enrollment Coordinator at sapenroll@redcaboosechildcare.org.

Enrollment Information

Priority Policies

The following enrollment priorities are used to determine the order of enrollment for each school year. The School Age Program Director will resolve any priority issues or conflicts and all decisions of the School Age Program Director are final. A waitlist is maintained when requests for enrollment exceed capacity.

1. First priority is given to children currently enrolled in the School Age Programs, their siblings, and those currently enrolled in Red Caboose's Grasshopper Room who will attend Lapham. These children will be enrolled in the order that the enrollment forms are received until priority deadline—**May 30, 2024**.
2. If space remains available, second priority is given to children in grades K-5 whose new registration forms are received by/on **May 30, 2024**. These forms will be processed after this date in the order that they were received.
3. If space remains available, third priority is given to children whose re-registration or new registration forms are received after the priority deadline in the order that they are received.
4. If space remains available, fourth priority is given to children attending schools other than Lapham or Marquette Elementary Schools. These children will be enrolled only when children in all of the above groups have been enrolled and spaces still exist and will be enrolled in order that they are received.

Once capacity is reached, a waitlist will be maintained. Families will be contacted when/if an opening arises.

Weekly Rate (per child)*

Full Week: \$108.72
4 Days/Week: \$100.90
3 Days/Week: \$75.67
2 Days/Week: \$50.45
Drop-In Rate: \$25.22

*Please note this is the rate for the school year deposit for the first week of care. New rates for 2024-2025 will be coming out in early September.

Required Materials

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- ◆ Enrollment form, parent permission/payment agreement, emergency contact card, health history and emergency care plan, day care immunization record

Payments

- ◆ \$40 one-time registration fee per family (New to Red Caboose families only)
- ◆ \$25 annual parent dues (per family)
- ◆ 1st week tuition (per child), or an authorization from city/county

Please submit materials in person or by mail to the following address:

Red Caboose After School
2346 Winnebago St.
Madison, WI 53704

Notice

- ◆ All fees are non-refundable and tuition is required regardless of attendance.
- ◆ There is a minimum enrollment requirement of two days per week.
- ◆ A two-week notice is required in order to withdraw from the Red Caboose After School Program, including separate notice to dis-enroll from contracted care on Days of Play.
- ◆ Any outstanding balances accrued through any Red Caboose Child Care Center, Inc. programming must be resolved with the Billing Coordinator prior to enrolling.
- ◆ New families can turn in their new registration forms prior to the priority deadline for returning families, which is **May 30, 2024**, but these forms will not be processed and new children will not be enrolled until after this date. New registration forms will be kept in the order that they are received until this date.
- ◆ After School for the 2024-2025 school year is scheduled to begin on **Wednesday, September 4th**.
- ◆ We reserve the right to postpone the start date of after school care based on staff availability. We will admit students as staffing allows in the order of enrollment.

Enrollment Form 2024-2025

NAME OF CHILD: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Grade in 24/25: _____ Gender: _____ Child's Pronouns: _____ Lapham Marquette

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FAMILY STATUS: Married Divorced Separated Single Partnered

RESIDENCE: child lives with: Both Parents Parent 1 Parent 2 Split Residence Other: _____

LEGAL CUSTODY: Both Parents Parent 1 Parent 2 Guardian: _____

NAME OF PARENT 1: _____

Home Address: _____ Zip: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Employer/School: _____

Primary E-Mail Address: _____

NAME OF PARENT 2: _____

Home Address: _____ Zip: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Employer/School: _____

Primary E-Mail Address: _____

PARTNER or OTHER INVOLVED PERSON: _____

Home Address: _____ Zip: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Employer/School: _____

Primary E-Mail Address: _____

Do you receive child care tuition assistance? City Day Care County CCTAP Other: _____

Name of case worker, if any: _____ Phone: _____

REQUESTED ENROLLMENT SCHEDULE: (2 Day Minimum - circle days needed) M T W R F

Parent Permissions and Payment Agreement

EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE: I give my consent for emergency medical care or treatment to be used only if I cannot be reached immediately. In case of emergency (accident or illness) and I cannot be reached, I give full permission to Red Caboose to transport my child to the nearest available health care facility. I will assume full responsibility (including financial responsibility) for services rendered.

FIELD TRIPS: I understand that field trips (including swimming) by bus, van, or on foot, are integral parts of the Red Caboose After School Program. I agree to let my child go on all field trips during their time enrolled.

PHOTOGRAPHS & VIDEO: The following permission statements are only valid when a parent/guardian has marked his or her initials on the "yes" space next to the statement. Any statement without a mark will be assumed to be a "no."

_____ I agree and consent to having my child(ren) photographed or filmed while in the care of Red Caboose for classroom or program use.
 YES NO

_____ I agree and consent to the use of any photographs or videos taken of my child(ren) by Red Caboose for educational, advertising, and publicity purposes (fliers, enrollment packets, and fundraising materials). I understand these may be posted on the website, Facebook, and other social media.
 YES NO

Note: No Child will be identified by name.

BUS TO RED CABOOSE TRANSFER: By signing this form, I give my child permission at school dismissal to walk from their classroom to the Red Caboose After School rooms.

TEACHER COMMUNICATION: By enrolling my child in Red Caboose, I give permission to Red Caboose staff to speak with Lapham and/or Marquette MMSD school staff to discuss matters related to my child. This permission is in effect until my child no longer attends Red Caboose.

CITY ACCREDITATION COMMUNICATION: I understand that this program is Madison Accredited. Madison Accreditation staff may be used for consultation in a confidential manner. I authorize this center to release information for the purpose of improving the quality of the program and supporting staff to best meet the needs of children in the program.

PAYMENT OF FEES:

- ◆ I agree to pay my tuition/copay **IN ADVANCE:** Weekly Bi-Weekly Monthly
- ◆ I would prefer my invoices to be emailed to me. Yes No
- ◆ I agree to pay for the days my child is enrolled, whether or not my child is in attendance on those days, including days that Red Caboose is not in session and parents are still billed.
- ◆ I understand that if a balance remains from previous care at Red Caboose Child Care Center, either Red Caboose After School location, or Camp Caboose, my enrollment will be placed on hold until this balance is paid in full. I understand that I am risking my child's spot by leaving an unpaid balance unattended.
- ◆ I agree to give Red Caboose a two-week written notice before changing my child's schedule or withdrawing my child. If I do not give notice, I agree to pay two weeks of fees upon withdrawal. This includes two week notice of withdrawal for enrollment in Days of Play.
- ◆ I understand that during the No Public School Days and Early Release Days (Days of Play), a separate registration is needed and an additional fee is charged.

ENROLLMENT AGREEMENT: Both custodial parents and guardians must sign the Enrollment Form. All persons signing this Child Enrollment Form agree that they are jointly and severally liable for any services provided by Red Caboose as set forth on this agreement. If there is a single custodial adult, please designate second signature with Non Applicable.

Signature	Date	Print Name
Signature	Date	Print Name

"In accordance with Federal law and U.S. Department of Agriculture policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. To file a complaint or discrimination, write USDA, Director, Office of Adjudication, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20250-9410 or call toll free (800)632-9992 (Voice). Individuals who are hearing impaired or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800)877-8339; or (800)845-6136 (Spanish). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer."

Emergency Contact Card

CHILD(REN)

Name (last, first): _____ Date of Birth: _____

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Name (last, first): _____ Date of Birth: _____

PARENTS / GUARDIANS

Name: _____ Address: _____

Phone—Cell: _____ Work: _____ Home: _____

Email: _____

Name: _____ Address: _____

Phone—Cell: _____ Work: _____ Home: _____

Email: _____

RESIDENCE: child lives with: Both Parents Parent 1 Parent 2 Split Residence Other: _____

LEGAL CUSTODY: Both Parents Parent 1 Parent 2 Guardian: _____

NOTE: If parents have joint legal custody, either parent may pick up the child(ren) at any time. If an individual has sole legal custody, his/her written permission is needed for anyone, including noncustodial parent, to pick up the child(ren).

PICK UP AUTHORIZATION—I give permission to the following people to pick up my child(ren) anytime, without additional specific authorization: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT—The following people may be called in an emergency when parent(s) or guardian(s) cannot be reached and have permission to remove my child(ren) from program if necessary.

Name: _____ Relationship to Child(ren): _____

Phone—Cell: _____ Work: _____ Home: _____

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Phone—Cell: _____ Work: _____ Home: _____

PHYSICIAN: Red Caboose has my permission to call my child(ren)'s physician:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

EMERGENCY RELEASE: I give consent for emergency medical care or treatment to be used only if I cannot be reached immediately.

HOSPITAL OF CHOICE: _____

SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN: _____ DATE: _____

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HEALTH HISTORY AND EMERGENCY CARE PLAN

Use of form: This form is required for family and group child care centers and day camps to comply with DCF 250.04(6)(a)1. and 250.07(6)(L)5., DCF 251.04(6)(a)6. and 251.07(6)(k)5., and DCF 252.44(6)(g) of the Wisconsin Administrative Codes. Failure to comply may result in issuance of a noncompliance statement. Personal information you provide may be used for secondary purposes [Privacy Law, s. 15.04(1)(m), Wisconsin Statutes].

Instructions: The parent / guardian should complete this form for placement in the child's file prior to the child's first day of attendance. Information contained on the form shall be shared with any person caring for the child. The department recommends that parents / guardians and center staff periodically review and update the information provided on this form.

CHILD INFORMATION

Name (Last, First, MI)	Address – Home (Street, City, State, Zip Code)		Birthdate (mm/dd/yyyy)
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PARENT / GUARDIAN INFORMATION Provide information where the parent(s) / guardian(s) may be reached while the child is in care.

Name	Telephone Number – Home	Telephone Number – Work	Telephone Number – Cellular
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SUNSCREEN / INSECT REPELLENT AUTHORIZATION If provided by the parent, the sunscreen or insect repellent shall be labeled with the child's name. Per DCF 251.07(6)(f)2., authorizations shall be reviewed every 6 months and updated as necessary. Per DCF 250.07(6)(f)2.a., Authorizations shall be reviewed periodically and updated as necessary.

<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No I authorize the center to apply sunscreen to my child.	Brand Name Walgreens Kids SPF50 Lotion AND Banana Boat Kids Lotion/ Sport SPF 50	Ingredient Strength SPF 50
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No I authorize the center to allow my child to self-apply sunscreen.	Brand Name OFF! Unscented	Ingredient Strength

HEALTH HISTORY AND EMERGENCY CARE PLAN If available, attach any health care plan information from the child's physician, therapist, etc.

1. Check any special medical condition that your child may have.

- No specific medical condition
- Asthma
- Cerebral Palsy / motor disorder
- Other condition(s) requiring special care -- Specify.
- Diabetes
- Epilepsy / seizure disorder
- Gastrointestinal or feeding concerns including special diet and supplements
- Any disorder including Cognitively Disabled, LD, ADD, ADHD, or Autism

- Milk allergy. If a child is allergic to milk, attach a statement from the medical professional indicating the acceptable alternative.
- Food allergies -- Specify food(s).

Non-food allergies -- Specify.

2. Check any dietary restriction that your child may have.

- Vegetarian
- Vegan
- Other -- Specify.

2. Triggers that may cause problems – Specify.

3. Signs or symptoms to watch for – Specify.

4. Steps the child care provider should follow. If prescription or non-prescription medications are necessary, a copy of the form *Authorization to Administer Medication* should be attached to this form. Note: group child care centers and day camps may use their own form.

5. Identify any child care staff to whom you have given specialized training / instructions to help treat symptoms.

- a.
- b.
- c.

6. When to call parents regarding symptoms or failure to respond to treatment.

7. When to consider that the condition requires emergency medical care or reassessment.

8. Additional information that may be helpful to the child care provider.

SIGNATURE – Parent or Guardian

Date Signed (mm/dd/yyyy)

Review dates: _____

DAY CARE IMMUNIZATION RECORD

COMPLETE AND RETURN TO DAY CARE CENTER. State law requires all children in day care centers to present evidence of immunization against certain diseases within **30 school days (6 calendar weeks) of admission to the day care center**. These requirements can be waived only if a properly signed health, religious, or personal conviction waiver is filed with the day care center. See "Waivers" below. If you have any questions on immunizations or how to complete this form, please contact your child's day care provider or your local health department.

PERSONAL DATA

PLEASE PRINT

STEP 1	Child's Name(Last, First, Middle Initial)	Date of Birth (Month/Day/Year)	Area Code/Telephone Number
	Name of Parent/Guardian/Legal Custodian (Last, First, Middle Initial)	Address (Street, Apartment number, City, State, Zip)	

IMMUNIZATION HISTORY

STEP 2 List the MONTH, DAY AND YEAR the child received each of the following immunizations. DO NOT USE A (4) OR (X) except to indicate whether the child has had chickenpox. If you do not have an immunization record for this child, contact your doctor or local public health department to obtain the records.

TYPE OF VACCINE	First Dose Month/Day/Year	Second Dose Month/Day/Year	Third Dose Month/Day/Year	Fourth Dose Month/Day/Year	Fifth Dose Month/Day/Year
Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis (Specify DTP, DTaP, or DT)					
Polio					
Hib (Haemophilus <i>Influenzae</i> Type B)					
Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine (PCV)					
Hepatitis B					
Measles-Mumps-Rubella (MMR)					
Varicella (chickenpox) vaccine Vaccine is required only if the child has not had chickenpox disease.					

Has the child had Varicella (chickenpox) disease? Check the appropriate box and provide the year if known.

Yes year _____ (Vaccine is not required)
No or Unsure (Vaccine is required)

REQUIREMENTS

STEP 3 The following are the minimum **required** immunizations for the child's age/grade at entry. All children within the range must meet these requirements at day care entrance. Children who reach a new age/grade level while attending this day care must have their records updated with dates of additional required doses.

AGE LEVELS	NUMBER OF DOSES					
5 months through 15 months	2 DTP/DTaP/DT	2 Polio	2 Hib	2 PCV	2 Hep B	
16 months through 23 months	3 DTP/DTaP/DT	2 Polio	3 Hib ₁	3 PCV ₂	2 Hep B	1 MMR ₃
2 years through 4 years	4 DTP/DTaP/DT	3 Polio	3 Hib ₁	3 PCV ₂	3 Hep B	1 MMR ₃ 1 Varicella
At Kindergarten entrance	4 DTP/DTaP/DT ₄	4 Polio			3 Hep B	2 MMR ₃ 2 Varicella

¹If the child began the Hib series at 12-14 months of age, only 2 doses are required. If the child received one dose of Hib at 15 months of age or after, no additional doses are required. Minimum of one dose must be received after 12 months of age (Note: a dose 4 days or less before the first birthday is also acceptable).

²If the child began the PCV series at 12-23 months of age, only 2 doses are required. If the child received the first dose of PCV at 24 months of age or after, no additional doses are required.

³MMR vaccine must have been received on or after the first birthday (Note: a dose 4 days or less before the 1st birthday is also acceptable).

⁴Children entering kindergarten must have received one dose after the 4th birthday (either the 3rd, 4th or 5th) to be compliant (Note: a dose 4 days or less before the 4th birthday is also acceptable).

COMPLIANCE DATA AND WAIVERS

STEP 4 IF THE CHILD MEETS ALL REQUIREMENTS (sign at STEP 5 and return this form to the day care center), OR
IF THE CHILD **DOES NOT** MEET ALL REQUIREMENTS (check the appropriate box below, sign and return this form to day care center).

Although the child has not received all required doses of vaccine for his or her age group, at least the first dose of each vaccine has been received. I understand that it is my responsibility to obtain the remaining required doses of vaccines for this child **WITHIN ONE YEAR** and to notify the day care center in writing as each dose is received.

NOTE: Failure to stay on schedule or report immunizations to the day care center may result in court action against the parents and a fine of up to \$25.00 per day of violation.

For health reasons this child should not receive the following immunizations _____ (List in STEP 2 any immunizations already received)

Physician's Signature Required

For religious reasons this child should not be immunized. (List in Step 2 any immunizations already received)

For personal conviction reasons this child should not be immunized. (List in Step 2 any immunizations already received)

STEP 5 To the best of my knowledge this form is complete and accurate.

SIGNATURE - Parent, Guardian or Legal Custodian

Date Signed

Days of Play Sign Up Form

No Public School Days

These are days when school is closed all day during Winter Break, Spring Break, or teacher in-services and we provide full day care from 7:30am to 5:45pm. **Breakfast and afternoon snack are provided on these days. Please remember to provide a nut-free lunch for your child.** No Public School Days are great for field trips! We will inform you of any field trips through email. If you do not need care for the entire day, there is a half day option as well. These days will be held at Lapham or Marquette Elementary.

Half Day AM: 7:30am-12:30pm Half Day PM: 12:45pm-5:45pm

Early Release Days

These are days where school starts at its regular time but ends at 10:30am. We provide care immediately following school dismissal at 10:30am until 5:45pm. Early Release Days will be held on site where your child attends school, at either Lapham or Marquette. Red Caboose provides afternoon snack, but **it is important that you provide a nut-free lunch** during these days as well.

Rates

No Public School Day - Full Day: \$53.20

No Public School Day - Half Day: \$30.29

Early Release Day: \$39.91

***Please note there may be a rate change September 2024.**

You can avoid a \$5 fee if you sign up a month or more prior to the day of care needed!

(ex: if you enroll a month prior the cost of a No Public School Day is \$50.67, if you enroll later it is \$55.67)

Red Caboose Closing Dates for 2024-2025

- ◆ Monday, September 2nd—Labor Day
- ◆ Tuesday, November 5th—Election Day* *further information is pending
- ◆ Wednesday, November 27th—Staff Development and Cleaning and organizing
- ◆ Thursday, November 28th and Friday, November 29th—Thanksgiving Break
- ◆ Tuesday, December 24th and Wednesday December 25th —Christmas Eve & Christmas Day
- ◆ Tuesday, December 31st and Wednesday, January 1st, —New Year's Eve observed & New Year's Day
- ◆ Monday, January 20th—Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- ◆ Friday, May 2nd —Staff Development and Spring Cleaning
- ◆ Monday, May 26th—Memorial Day

Things to Remember

- ◆ All Days of Play are an additional charge on top of your regular weekly bill.
- ◆ Even if your child is signed up for the day of the week that an Early Release or No Public School Day is being held, you will still need to sign up for it separately with this form.
- ◆ If you realize you do not need care, there is a two week notice from the date you need to dis-enroll in order to have charges removed from your account.
- ◆ If your child is absent or Red Caboose closes for inclement weather on any of these dates, charges will still be applied.
- ◆ Red Caboose reserves the right to cancel any Day of Play due to low enrollment with two weeks notice to families.

Any questions? For questions about our program, please contact our Enrollment Coordinator
sapenroll@redcaboosechildcareorg.

Days of Play Sign Up Form

School Year 2024-2025

Please note that Red Caboose will be closed on No School Days Wednesday, November 27, and Friday, May 2nd for staff development and cleaning.

Early Release

- Friday, November 1
- Monday, April 7

No Public School Days

- Thursday, October 3
 - AM PM FULL
- Friday, October 4
 - AM PM FULL
- Monday November 4
 - AM PM FULL

Tuesday, November 5th*

Election Day* No School

Further information on Red Caboose is pending

Wednesday, November 27th

No School, Red Caboose Closed

- Monday, January 27
 - AM PM FULL
- Friday, February 21
 - AM PM FULL
- Friday, April 11
 - AM PM FULL

Friday, May 2nd

No School, Red Caboose Closed

Winter Camp

- Monday, December 23
 - AM PM FULL
- Thursday, December 26
 - AM PM FULL
- Friday, December 27
 - AM PM FULL
- Monday, December 30
 - AM PM FULL
- Thursday, January 2
 - AM PM FULL
- Friday, January 3
 - AM PM FULL

Spring Camp

- Monday, March 24
 - AM PM FULL
- Tuesday, March 25
 - AM PM FULL
- Wednesday, March 26
 - AM PM FULL
- Thursday, March 27
 - AM PM FULL
- Friday, March 28
 - AM PM FULL

I need care for the following days marked above. I understand that I will be billed the additional cost for these days the month prior to the time that care will be provided. If I realize that I do not need care and I do not want to be charged, I will provide a 2 weeks' notice to withdraw in writing to the Enrollment Coordinator.

Child's Name: _____ Date: _____

Parent's Name: _____ Email: _____

Signature: _____ Received on: _____ By: _____