Extended Day 21-22

Westwood School Committee Update March 11, 2021

Extended Day 2020 - 2021

In-person program closed when school closed in March 2020

ED staff pivoted to providing remote services:

Developed ED website

Created asynchronous activities for families to access as needed

Scheduled synchronous sessions after school hours

Staff laid off in August 2020

Program coordinators/site coordinator offered alternative positions

Building Use

No external building use since March 2020

Student, staff and visitor health and safety

Summer 2021

WW Recreation

WPS ESY & Intervention

SY 2021-2022 gradual opening up for more use

Extended Day

Other events to support WW children

Programs/events that support the broader community

Considerations for restarting an ED program

Protocols and communication around COVID-19

Outreach, registration, training on an extremely tight timeline

Determination of school building sites

Staffing challenges

Opportunities created by break in programming

Recommendation: seek an outside provider to run ED program

Assurances we would seek with outside vendor

Health and safety protocols that have been tested

Streamlined registration and responsive communication

Access to a wide pool of potential staff and strong recruitment strategy

Administrative bandwidth to launch the program

Affordable rates for families and reduced tuition for low-income household

Clear policy on withdrawal and refunds for families who enroll

Possibility of priority enrollment for former Extended Day families

Interviewing of former Extended Day staff

Strong, collaborative approach in working with school administration

Estimated Timeline

March	Parent survey - participation interest, qualitative feedback RFP with 3 weeks advertising Selection committee formed
April	Vendor selection and contract Initiation of enrollment
May - June	Complete enrollment Site selection Staff recruitment
July - August	Site setup Staff selection & training Planning with WPS team

Outcomes

Before and after school care aligned with district mission, vision and values

Safe and healthy after care environment

Clear, easy-to navigate processes (sign-up, billing, etc)

Reasonable rates with supports available for low income households

Timely and professional communication with families

Fun, enriching programming for WPS students!