Great After-School Place

G.A.P. provides a safe, secure environment for school age children, including those with special needs, while their parents work.

School Year Program for Kindergarten Children

- Located at the First United Methodist Church
- State Licensed: Qualified Staff
- **Nutritious Snacks**

- Developmentally appropriate activities
- Transportation provided by Brookings School district or BATA

Fees for G.A.P. programs are based on a family's eligibility for the school lunch program. An annual \$10/family registration fee is required to hold your child's place. G.A.P. can also receive funds through the Child Care Assistance program. Fees for 2021- 2022 are:

Morning G.A.P. (5:45 am until school staff arrive):		Full Time	Daily Fee			
For those eligible for free lunch For those eligible for reduced lunch		\$24/mo/child \$43/mo/child		\$2.50/day/child \$3.50/day/child		
For those not eligible for the above		\$60/mo/child		\$4.50/day/child		
Afterschool GAP (after school-6:00 pm):	Full time	3 days/wk	2 days/wk	1 day/wk		
For those eligible for free lunch	\$ 55/mo	\$41/mo	\$30/mo	\$19/mo		
For those eligible for reduced lunch For those not eligible for the above	\$ 83/mo \$125/mo	\$66/mo \$96/mo	\$46/mo \$67/mo	\$25/mo \$37/mo		
An additional fee for care on in-service ar	nd conference o	lays is assessed.				
Registration is on going. A spot will be is received. Positions are filled on a first	come/first serve		olarships are a	vailable.		
I would like to enroll my child in G.A.F	Э.					
Child's Name			Age Birthdate			
Address			"Home" Phone			
Mother's Name & Employer			Work Phone			
Father's Name & Employer	Work Phone					
Email address						
School (2021-22, if known)			Care is need	led: M T W H F		
Program Desired: Morning Program	n (at Medary So	chool, children atten	ding other sch	ools will be bussed)		
United After-School Pro	After-School Program Location (please mark your first and second choice)					
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Children will be bussed from Dakota Prairie, Hillcrest and Medary Schools to the kindergarten site at the First United Methodist Church. Kindergarten children will be enrolled at the kindergarten site unless they have an older sibling at Medary, Dakota Prairie or Hillcrest G.A.P. Once the kindergarten site is full, placement will be considered at school locations. Please indicate your first and second choice. If the Methodist Church location is filled children will automatically be placed at the site of their school attendance if room is available. Call the director if you have a special situation (692-8066).

G.A.P.'s kindergarten program began in the fall of 2002 and has proven to be a great experience for our community children. Each afternoon the children gather to hear of the activities for the day. The free choice atmosphere allows the children to explore the area of their interest, with teacher encouragement to try new things.

Activities are built around a weekly theme, enhancing the kindergarten experience. Much of the learning is achieved through hands-on exploration. Areas touched upon, but not limited to, are:

Social/Life Skills: Shoe tying, snapping, zipping, and buttoning

Phone numbers & addresses

Sharing & Cooperation

Math Skills: Shapes

Number recognition, counting

Graphing

Beginning telling time

Reading Skills: Upper and lower case letter recognition

Beginning sounds

Sight words

Kindergarten G.A.P. builds on the kindergarten experience but emphasis is placed on socialization and team building. It is not the intention of the program to be an extension of the school day, but an experience to foster continual developmental growth.

The daily schedule for the kindergarten site is:

3:40 – 3:45	Arrival
3:50 – 4:00	Group time
4:00 – 5:00	Free Choice

- Snack (until 4:15)
- Art
- Games
- Dramatic play
- Outside play
- Manipulatives
- Learning stations

5:00 –	5:15	Clean-up art	, manipulatives,	dramatic	play
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5:15 – 5:30 Clean-up games and other areas

5:30 – 6:00 Quiet activity

6:00 Closed



Questions? Call during the morning hours and speak to the director (692-8066) or after 2:45 and speak to the kindergarten site supervisor (692-4399). Completed forms and registration fee can be mailed to: G.A.P., 1330 Main Brookings, SD 57006, emailed to gapost@brookings.net or dropped off at any G.A.P. location. More information about G.A.P. can be found at www.brookingsgap.com.