

## Carpenter After School Grades K-5

### Location

Carpenter Elementary School  
2100 Morrisville Parkway  
Morrisville, NC 27560  
(919) 815-1097

### Staff

Rich Kelton, Youth Director  
(919) 469-9622, ext. 127

### What days does After School cover?

The After School program provides after school care for all 180 school days as outlined by the Wake County School System. The After School Program does not cover Teacher Workdays and Student Holidays. Most of these days are covered by the School's Out Special Program and must be purchased separately.

### What will my child do during the After School Program?

#### Daily Schedule

3:45-4:05	Check-in /Assembly in the gym
4:05-4:15	Devotion
4:15-4:30	Snack
4:20-5:15	Homework by choice
4:30-5:15	Activity/Clinic
5:15-6:00	Rides Out Activity

### What are Skill Development Clinics?

Held on Wednesday, clinics are instructional times where counselors teach or help children improve their skills in certain areas. The focus is learning while playing. For example, during lacrosse clinics the children will not only play a game but will be doing passing drills and discussing team strategy. Possible clinics include roller blading, lacrosse, cooking or a science experiment.

### What about Homework Time?

At Carpenter After School, we emphasize the importance of schoolwork. We supervise homework sessions daily from 4:20 p.m.-5:15 p.m.

### What is C.O.D.?

Camper of the Day is our way of recognizing individual children for a job well done. Every Tuesday and Thursday each huddle recognizes a child for demonstrating good choices and strong character. During assembly the C.O.D. is announced. This deserving camper will be able to participate in a character party.

### What is Character Development?

A main focus of the YMCA is character development. Children are rewarded for exemplifying character traits during the program. Character traits are represented by specific colors.

Red=caring	Green=responsibility
Blue=honesty	Yellow=respect
Purple=faith in God	

### How does the Rides Out System work?

Rides Out begins at 5:00 p.m. A YMCA Counselor will be waiting outside at the bus lane with a walkie-talkie. They will announce your arrival and your child will be sent out to your car. Please have your YMCA Year-round School Pick-up Card visible in your car window as well as an easily accessible picture ID for identification. Your child's safety is of utmost importance to us and no child will be released until positive identification is confirmed. Pick-up cards will be given out the first day by the Carpenter staff during Rides Out.



**What if I want to pick up my child before Rides Out begins?**

If you need to pick up your child before 5:00 p.m., please come into the gym where a staff person will be waiting at a desk. Please have your identification available so the staff can verify your identity.

**What do I need to do if I know my child will be absent from After School?**

If your child will not be attending the After School Program, please call the Carpenter After School office at **(919) 815-1097** and leave a message for the staff.

**What if someone other than the child's parent needs to pick up my child?**

If the child's parents cannot pick up their child from After School, a written note from the parent must be sent in to the staff. The person who will be picking up your child must present a picture ID at time of pick up. You may want to add their name(s) to your child's registration form.

**What is the Youth Fitness Challenge?**

Every spring (January-April) the campers participate in the Youth Fitness Challenge. Campers are encouraged to track their "active" hours. They earn prizes throughout the challenge and learn how to have a healthy lifestyle.

**What are Family Nights?**

Family nights are your chance to experience some of your children's after school activities. Whether it is Trunk-or-Treat in October, Christmas Movie Night in December, or Healthy Kids Day in April, you do not want to miss out on these fun evenings! The Cary Family YMCA also offers a lot of other fun family events throughout the year. We will keep you informed of upcoming events.

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