



DEER CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT

July 21, 2020

Antler Care Parents,

On Monday, July 13th the Deer Creek School District was notified that the Oklahoma Department of Human Services is not conducting any new child care program license inspections. Therefore, they are unable to approve the request for a DHS license for the new 4th & 5th Grade Centers Antler Care program. The licensing specialist assured us that this decision was not based on anything lacking in our license application, which was submitted in January 2020, inquired about the application with DHS in February, March, April and June, 2020. Our walk-through licensing appointment was scheduled for August 7, 2020, with the assurance that this would be in plenty of time for our opening date of August 13th. This was an across the board decision, from DHS, for all new child care programs throughout Oklahoma during this time of pandemic.

In order for Deer Creek Schools to run the Antler Care program at the 4th & 5th Grade Centers without being licensed by DHS we will only be able to be open for 15 hours a week. For the 2020/2021 school year Antler Care will be offered at the 4th & 5th Grade Centers for PM care only. **The 4th/5th Grade Centers Antler Care program will run from the end of the school day to 5:30pm, Monday-Friday. We have reduced the price from \$85 a week to \$80 a week to reflect this time change.**

All students that signed up for morning only care will be taken off the roster. If you are needing to make any changes in afternoon care, from what you originally signed up for, please let me know as soon as possible.

*Please note that the changes in care at the 4th & 5th Grade Centers do not affect the Antler Care programs at our elementary school sites.

If you have any questions regarding the 2020/2021 school year, please check out our web page - http://www.deercreekschools.org/parents/antler_care/school_year_2020-2021

Sincerely,
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