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**Birmingham School District Partners with Healthy Kids Programs to Facilitate After-School Programs**

**Birmingham, NY** — The Birmingham School District has announced a new partnership with **Healthy Kids Programs (HKP)** to deliver high-quality, affordable after-school care in the 18 school buildings that currently have District-run after school programs beginning **January 5, 2025**.

The collaboration is part of the district's broader strategy to strengthen support for students and families by enhancing after-school offerings while maintaining the same pricing and access families currently enjoy. Healthy Kids Programs, a nationally recognized provider, operates over 150 before and after-school sites across 13 states and is known for its focus on enrichment, safety, and family satisfaction.

*"We're excited to bring in a partner with deep expertise and a child-first focus," said a Birmingham District representative. "This transition will improve program consistency, open the door to new opportunities like clubs and summer camps, and ensure working families have the support they need every school day."*

To ensure a seamless handoff, the district will temporarily operate the program from **August 7 through January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2026**. HKP will take over officially on **January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2026** with **no gap in service** and **no change to program hours or fees**. Families will continue to have access to safe, structured, and engaging care, with added conveniences such as online registration, automatic billing, and a parent portal.

HKP is committed to hiring locally and will give **priority consideration to existing district staff** who apply. All HKP team members are trained in child development, active supervision, and health and safety protocols.

*"We're honored to join the Birmingham community and build strong relationships with families, staff, and school leaders," said Steve Dwek, CEO at Healthy Kids Programs. "Our goal is to make this a smooth and positive experience for everyone involved."*

Families can learn more at [www.HealthyKidsPrograms.com](http://www.HealthyKidsPrograms.com). For questions, they may also contact **Alabama@HealthyKidsPrograms.com**.

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