

Students,

Given yesterday's announcement that the Seattle Public Schools will be closing for two weeks, and knowing that many of you have children for whom childcare may be an issue, I wanted to share some community resources that are available to help. As with any childcare arrangements, I encourage you to use due diligence to ensure that a childcare provider is trustworthy and will offer a safe place for your precious children.

1. **Boys & Girls Club of King County** - <https://positiveplace.org> Due to the Seattle Public School closure, the Boys & Girls Club has announced they are offering a low \$50 membership fee and will charge \$25/day for childcare services.
2. **Nanny Parent Connection** - <https://nannyparentconnection.com> This group connects families seeking childcare with nannies who are available, some of whom can provide last minute care for a slightly higher rate. Sign-up services are \$24.99 for one month, \$14.99 for monthly services or an annual fee of \$8.99/month. Please visit the site to evaluate the different programs offered.
3. **Care.com** - This resource will connect you to individuals offering childcare services.
4. **Annie's Nannies** - <https://aniseattle.com> This resource is for students with more resources and can be a bit pricey, but I wanted to list it for your perusal as well.

For those who have very limited financial resources, know that the Medical Student Parent Association (MSPA) is working to create a childcare option involving medical student parents sharing childcare. I expect you will hear further from this group in the next day or so.

If I can offer you any other assistance, please don't hesitate to reach out. The counselors remain available and ready to support you in whatever way we can. Take care.

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