

# The Villages® Charter School

2024/2025 SCHOOL YEAR

## *Snack Program*

**The Afterschool Snack Program** is a federally assisted snack program operating in public and nonprofit private schools and residential child care institutions. The Afterschool Snack Program is administered at the Federal level by the Food and Nutrition Service. At the State level, the program is usually administered by State education agencies, which operate the program through agreements with local school food authorities in 25,978 schools and institutions.

The Afterschool Snack Program provides a nutritious snack from two or more different food items to help students meet their nutritional needs between the lunch and evening meal. It also provides students with additional access to fruits, vegetables, milk and whole grains, many of which are locally grown, Florida products.

Afterschool snacks must contain at least two different components of the following four:

- Fluid Milk
- Meat or Meat Alternative
- Vegetables or Fruits or Full Strength Vegetable or Fruit Juice
- Whole Grain or Enriched Bread or Cereal