

**Dear Parents of West Broadway,**

*Effective July 23, 2012, West Broadway Youth Outreach implemented our “No Child Left Alone” policy.*

Parents and community members in West Broadway work very hard to ensure the safety of neighborhood children, and the staff at West Broadway Youth Outreach are always striving to emulate this caring vigilance. WBYO’s mandate to provide a safe environment for local children and families is always a priority, and program hours are carefully planned and widely published to allow consistency and accessibility.

Recently, however, we have experienced an ongoing problem with children who are not being picked up from program at the appropriate time. WBYO staff cannot be held accountable for the safety of children outside of prescribed programming hours. In spite of their every effort to ensure no child is left alone, WBYO remains a community drop-in and parents/guardians are responsible for the transportation and accommodation of their children outside of program hours.

The “No Child Left Alone” policy requires that children who are reliant on parental accompaniment for travel to and from programs **must be picked up at the time specified on the WBYO calendar. For normal programming, this means by 8:30pm. For summer programming, this means 5:00pm.** Children who are not picked up on time will be verbally reminded of this policy once, following which subsequent late pick-ups will require that the child be accompanied by an adult on all outings/activities for the following week, or 5 days.

As members of the community, we understand that due to unforeseen events, parents may occasionally have difficulty picking up their children on time, despite their best efforts. We understand these difficulties, and encourage parents to **provide alternate arrangements for their children to be picked up.** The safety of WBYO children must come first, and we know that you will work together with us to ensure that no child is left alone.

<b>WBYO’s “<u>No child Left Alone</u>” Policy:</b>	
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Late Pick Up</b>	- Verbal Reminder - Documented Late Pick Up
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Late Pick Up or More</b>	- Child must be accompanied by Parent/Guardian for one week or 5 program days

Sincerely,

The Board of Directors,  
West Broadway Youth Outreach Inc.

Child(ren)’s Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/ Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Voluntary Survey

**This survey is completely voluntary. Please provide the following information so we can better meet the needs of children and families.**

1. Has your child/children learned new skills at WBYO?  Yes  No

a. Please describe what new things they have tried, and what skills they have learned (academic skills like reading, writing and math, sport and outdoor skills, healthy eating/cooking, social skills or others): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. Is WBYO the main source of activities for your child/children outside of school?  Yes  No

3. How did you first learn about WBYO?  Word-of-mouth (friend, family member, teacher)  Online  Poster  Other : \_\_\_\_\_

4. How long has your child/children been coming to WBYO?

\_\_\_\_\_ Years \_\_\_\_\_ Months  
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5. Does your family identify as belonging to one of the following groups:

Newcomers to Canada

Aboriginal (First Nations, Inuit, Metis)

a. If you are a newcomer to Canada, how long have you lived in Canada? \_\_\_\_\_ Years \_\_\_\_\_ Months

6. Is English your child's first language? \_\_\_\_\_

7. What languages are spoken in your home? \_\_\_\_\_

8. Does your family live in the West Broadway neighborhood?  Yes  No

a. If not, did your family ever live in the West Broadway neighborhood?  Yes  No

If you moved away from the West Broadway area, why does your child/children still choose to attend WBYO? \_\_\_\_\_