



## **Statement About Unattended Minors**

The Dornsife Center for Neighborhood Partnerships is committed to providing a welcoming and safe environment for visitors of all ages. The safety of children left alone at the Dornsife Center is of serious concern to staff. Dornsife Center staff cannot be responsible for children who are unattended.

A child(ren) shall be considered to be “unattended” if the child(ren) is/are not in the immediate company of a responsible adult or caregiver over the age of 16, other than Dornsife Center staff (unless signed in by a parent/guardian or caregiver to participate in a registered program at the Dornsife Center). Child(ren) shall mean anyone under the age of 18. This statement about unattended children does not pertain to children participating in Dornsife Center programs, as long as such child(ren) have been properly signed in by a parent/guardian or caregiver.

Children must not be dropped off and left unattended at the Dornsife Center. Children must be signed in by a parent/legal guardian or caregiver over the age of 16 for a registered program. Children must be picked up by the responsible adult or caregiver over the age of 16 at the conclusion of the program.

Dornsife Center’s Hours of Operation are:

Monday through Thursday – 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Friday – 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

If a child(ren) under the age of 18 is left unattended at closing time or at the conclusion of a program, an attempt will be made to contact the parent/caregiver. If the parent/legal guardian or caregiver cannot be reached at the number provided and there is no emergency contact information available, or if a child(ren) has been dropped off not for participation in a program, the child(ren) will be considered abandoned. In that circumstance, Dornsife Center staff will call the local Police Department, and the child will be placed in temporary protective custody.