



Preschool Packet

POLICIES, SCHEDULE & CALENDAR



PRESCHOOL POLICIES

Preschool Package Details

- Preschool packages are available to members only.
- All preschool packages are based on a 4-week enrollment period, and your child may begin on any day of the month.
- Your selected package determines the number of preschool days your child receives during each 4-week period:
 - 2 days/week = 8 preschool days per 4-week period
 - 3 days/week = 12 preschool days per 4-week period
 - 5 days/week = 20 preschool days per 4-week period
 - When enrolling, please let us know which days of the week your child will regularly attend.
- We offer flexibility in choosing your child's attendance days, provided they fall within your 4-week enrollment period and within one of our designated preschool time blocks.
- If your child will miss a scheduled preschool day, please notify us at least 24 hours in advance if you would like to schedule a make-up day. When requesting a make-up, please also let us know your preferred make-up date so we can prepare classroom materials and plan staffing accordingly.
- Make-up days must be used within the same 4-week enrollment period.
- Families enrolled in the 5-day/week preschool package may receive a one-week extension to their enrollment period to accommodate approved make-up days.
- Make-up days must be used during preschool hours (8:00 AM–3:00 PM) and cannot be split into partial days

Preschool Hours & Late Pickup

- Our preschool program is offered Monday–Friday, 8:00 AM–3:00 PM.
- Families may choose from the following preschool schedules:
 - 8:00 AM–12:00 PM, 8:00 AM–1:00 PM, 8:00 AM–3:00 PM
 - 9:00 AM–12:00 PM, 9:00 AM–1:00 PM, 9:00 AM–3:00 PM
- A 10-minute grace period is provided before or after your child's scheduled preschool hours at no additional charge. Any time beyond the 10-minute grace period will be billed at our standard hourly drop-in rate.

Food Policies: Lunch & Snack

- We provide a complimentary snack each day at 10:30 AM. For children enrolled in preschool packages ending after 12:00 PM, lunch is also included.
- In accordance with DHEC regulations, outside food is not permitted in our center. For information regarding approved exceptions, please refer to our website and Parent Handbook.

Items to Bring

- Children are required to wear socks while in the center. If needed, socks are available for purchase for \$4.00 per pair.
- Please bring a labeled water bottle and/or sippy cup for your child.
- Please provide any items your child may need during the day, including:
 - Extra diapers and wipes (if applicable)
 - A change of clothes
- For children who require diapers, diapers are available if needed for a \$1.00 per diaper

DAILY SCHEDULE

8-9 AM – ARRIVE & THRIVE

Individualized hands on learning
Montessori trays and introduction to new work

9-9:45 AM – CENTER CREATIVITY

Centers and discovery table
Independent stations and activity exploring

9:45-10:15 AM – PLAYSET & MOVEMENT

Center cleanup
Morning stretches, movement and dance

10:15-10:30 AM – MORNING SNACK

Wash hands
Community snack

10:30-11 AM – GROUP GATHERING

Morning circle time and group learning
Weekly theme discussion
Songs, weather and letter of the week

11-11:45AM – ARTIST EXPRESSION

Arts and craft activity
Arts-based products and exploration process
Sensory exploration, working trays and activity exploring

11:45-12 PM – EXERCISE AWAY & 1st DISMISSAL

Center cleanup
Kids yoga, dancing and playset

12-12:30 PM – LUNCH BUNCH

Wash hands
Community lunch

12:30-1 PM – DEPART WITH A BIG HEART

Reflection time
Relaxing reading circle and imagination stations
2nd dismissal

1-3 PM – AFTERNOON ENRICHMENT

Mini Makers & Sensory Exploration
Independent exploration and small group instruction



2026-2027 School Year

AUGUST

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SEPTEMBER

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First and Last Day of Preschool

Kids Garden is closed:

- Teacher Workday Aug. 14th
- Labor Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Black Friday
- Christmas Eve
- Christmas Day
- New Years Day
- Memorial Day
- 4th of July

Camps:

- Thanksgiving
- Winter
- Spring Break
- Summer

Parents Night Out (PNO)



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PRESCHOOL THEMES

August - September

Theme: Building Our Community

Character trait: Curiosity and wonder

August 17-21: All About Me

August 24-28: Manners and Sharing

August 31-September 4: Friendship and Kindness [8/31 Labor Day; KG Closed]

September 7-11: 5 Senses

September 14-18: Community Helpers

September 21-25: Eric Carle

October

Theme: Falling Into Fall

Character trait: Courage

September 28-October 2: Emotions/Feelings

October 5-9: Seasons

October 12-16: Creepy Critters/Nocturnal Animals

October 19-23: Fall/Harvest

October 26-30: Pumpkins [10/30 Halloween Party]

November

Theme: Cultivating Gratitude

Character trait: Gratefulness

November 2-6: On the Farm [11/3 Election Day; KG Open]

November 9-13: Weather

November 16-20: Feathers, Friends, & Folk Tales

November 23-27: Thanksgiving [11/26-11/27 KG Closed for Thanksgiving]

PRESCHOOL THEMES

December

Theme: Around the World

Character trait: Generosity

November 30-December 4: The Water Cycle

December 7-11: Holidays Around the World

December 14-18: Holidays Around the World

December 21-25: Winter Camp [12/24 Christmas Eve; KG Closed]

December 28-January 1: Ringing in the New Year [1/1 NYE; KG Closed]

January

Theme: Winter

Character trait: Peacefulness

January 4-8: Winter

January 11-15: Hibernation

January 18-22: Arctic Animals [1/18 MLK Day; KG Open]

January 25-29: Nutrition

February

Theme: Heart Centered

Character trait: Kindness

February 1-5: Health

February 8-12: Transportation

February 15-19: Fairy Tales [2/15 President's Day; KG Open]

February 22-26: Fairy Tales

PRESCHOOL THEMES

March

Theme: Rhythm and Rhyming

Character trait: Patience

March 1-5: Dr. Seuss

March 8-12: Ocean Animals

March 15-19: Music and Rhythm [3/17 St. Patrick's Day]

March 22-26: Spring

April

Theme: Spring and Earth

Character trait: Independence

March 29-April 2: Spring Break Camp

April 5-9: Seeds --> Plants

April 12-16: Caterpillars --> Butterflies

April 19-23: Earth Day/Recycling [4/22 Earth Day]

April 26-30: Insects

May - June

Theme: Above and Beyond

Character trait: Helpfulness

May 3-7: Rainforest; [5/9 Mother's Day]

May 10-14: Outer Space

May 17-21: STEAM

May 24-28: Summer [5/28 Last Day of Preschool]