



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 period other than 5 days a week to allow for make-up days. You can start preschool any day of the month. The package you choose determines how many days of preschool you have per 4 week period. Please let us know which days of the week your child will attend.
 - 2 days a week = 8 days of preschool within your 4 weeks
 - 3 days a week = 12 days of preschool within your 4 weeks
 - 4 days a week = 16 days of preschool within 4 weeks
 - 5 days a week = 20 days of preschool within 5 weeks
- We offer flexibility in choosing the days of the week your child attends preschool, provided they are within the 4-week package starting from their first day. Attendance must always fall within one of our designated time blocks (8am-12pm, 8am-1pm, 9am-12pm, 9am-1pm, 8am-3pm, 9am-3pm).
- If your child misses a day of preschool and you wish to schedule a makeup day, please notify us at least 24 hours in advance. Additionally, please inform us of the intended makeup day so that we can prepare the necessary materials and adjust staffing accordingly.
- Make-up days must be scheduled within your monthly package. If you have a 5-day per week preschool plan, we will extend the plan by one additional week to accommodate make-up days. These days must be used during our preschool hours (8am - 3pm) and cannot be split across multiple days.

Preschool Hours & Late Pickup

- Preschool hours are 8am-3pm.
- Preschool packages include:
 - 8am-12pm, 8am-1pm, 8am-3pm
 - 9am-12pm, 9am-1pm, 9am-3pm
- We provide a 10-minute grace period (free of charge) before or after scheduled preschool hours. Any time exceeding this grace period will be billed at our standard hourly rate.

Food Policies: Lunch & Snack

- We provide a complimentary snack at 10:00 am. For children with packages past 12:00pm, lunch is included as well as a snack at 3 PM if your child is staying after 3PM.
- As per DHEC, external food items are not permitted within our center. For details on any exceptions (severe allergies), please email us at Summerville@kidsplaygarden.com.

Items to Bring

- Children are required to wear socks in the center. Kids do remove/loose so please label with your child's initials if you are concerned about losing them.
- Please bring a sippy cup and/or water bottle labeled with your child's name.
- Please bring diapers AND wipes to hold at the center as well as 2 changes of clothes for us to hold at the center. Diaper charge: \$1/diaper.

DAILY SCHEDULE

8-9 AM – ARRIVE & THRIVE

- Individualized hands on learning
- Montessori trays and introduction to new work
- Morning stretches and socialization

9-9:40 AM – CENTER CREATIVITY

- Centers and discovery table
- Independent stations and puzzles
- Working trays and activity exploring

9:40-10:00 AM – MORNING SNACK

- Wash hands
- Community snack

10:00-10:30 AM – OUTSIDE/PLAYSET

- Morning stretches, movement and dance

10:30-11 AM – GROUP GATHERING

- Morning circle time
- Weekly theme discussion
- Sing songs and weather
- Letter of the week
- Group learning

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

PRESCHOOL THEMES

August - September

Theme: Building Our Community

Character trait: Curiosity and wonder

August 10-14: Back to school

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]

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]

THINGS TO REMEMBER

- PLEASE label bookbag, water bottle, socks, shoes....EVERYTHING
- If you are not going to attend on your scheduled day, please notify use to be able to provide you with a make-up day by phone or email
- We are a peanut free facility
- Please follow us on social media for center updates and photos!
- We do not flex time for preschool. If your time is 9-12, we cannot do 10-1 but you can pay for the time over 12.
- We are ALL about the process during arts and crafts meaning your child will come home messy! But mess means they had a good day!

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CREATIVE
CURRICULUM



FLEXIBLE
OPTIONS



ECO-FRIENDLY
ENVIRONMENT

For children ages 2–5, our preschool inspires curiosity, creativity, and a lifelong love of learning through hands-on exploration and meaningful play. Guided by Montessori and Reggio Emilia principles, our nurturing teachers support each child's unique growth in a warm and welcoming environment.



PRESCHOOL RATES

TIME	2 DAYS	3 DAYS	4 DAYS	5 DAYS
8 AM - 12 PM (4 hrs)	\$400	\$575	\$760	\$960
9 AM - 12 PM (3 hrs)	\$350	\$510	\$670	\$810
8 AM - 1 PM (5 hrs)	\$490	\$710	\$930	\$1,160
9 AM - 1 PM (4 hrs)	\$415	\$610	\$805	\$995
8 AM - 3 PM (7 hrs)	\$599	\$875	\$1,140	\$1,435
9 AM - 3 PM (6 hrs)	\$560	\$820	\$1,075	\$1,325



Monthly Rates



Snack Included & Lunch Past 12pm



Flexible Scheduling & Make-up Days



VISIT [KIDSPLAYGARDEN.COM/SUMMERVILLE](https://kidsplaygarden.com/summerville) FOR MORE DETAILS!



2026-2027 School Year

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■ First and Last Day of Preschool.
(Preschoolers are not required to stop during camps/summer and can continue preschool packages year round)

■ Kids Garden is closed:

- Labor Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Day after Thanksgiving
- Christmas Eve
- Christmas Day
- Day after Christmas
- New Years Day
- Memorial Day

■ Camps:

- Fall break
- Thanksgiving
- Winter
- Spring Break
- Summer- June and July- open to preschooler.

■ Parents Night Out (PNO) & Preschool events - PNO is on Select Saturdays. Will be announced on social media and within the center

As a reminder:
If your child is going to miss a scheduled preschool day, we must be notified in advance in order to provide you with a make-up day. Please call / email with informing us of the planned missed day and date you'd like to make it up.
Preschool days must be used within 4 calendar weeks.



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