



TLC Early Childhood Center

Four-Year-Old Preschool Program Description

Program Overview

The Four-Year-Old Preschool program is designed for children who would benefit from an extra year of growth before kindergarten. Open to children 4-5 years old (with limited exceptions by director approval), the program emphasizes social, emotional, and academic readiness through hands-on, developmentally appropriate learning in a supportive, structured environment.

Eligibility

- Children must turn 4 by December 1. Ages in this room range from 4-5 years.

Schedule & Class Size

- Monday–Friday, within the hours of 6:30 am–6:00 pm.
- Maximum 20 children with a staff-to-child ratio of 1:12
- 1 Teacher & 2 Assistant Teachers

Curriculum, Assessment, & Learning Environment

- Creative Curriculum
- GOLD Assessment is used to guide instruction
- Parent–teacher conferences are held twice each year
- Centers include blocks, dramatic play, toys & games, science, sensory, art, literacy, music, and large motor/climber
- Weekly cooking activities (Bi-weekly)

Faith-Based Learning Component

- Jesus Time is provided daily
- Bible stories, songs, finger-plays, and lessons are taught at an age-appropriate level, and, most importantly, they learn how much Jesus loves them!

Daily Routine

- Consistent daily schedule
- Large & small group academic-focused learning with an emphasis on literacy and mathematics
- Child-directed play
- Gym daily and/or Outdoor play year-round | Please provide appropriate clothing such as boots, snow pants, mittens, hats, and warm coats or a bathing suit for summer. We are happy to apply sunscreen if provided.
- Daily rest time (cot provided) from 12:30 pm–2:30 pm. Parents must furnish a *small* blanket and a *small* pillow if desired.

Meals

- Morning snack, hot lunch, and afternoon snack are available for purchase, or the family can provide two snacks and a hot lunch
- Monthly menus are available on the website

Additional Information

- Children are being taught to take care of their own belongings. Each child has a cubby for clothing, a bucket for bedding, and a mailbox for important papers and projects. Please check it daily.
- Please remember to dress your child in play-type clothing so they can participate in all activities without concern.
- The preschool does not provide daily written communication but would be happy to answer any questions you may have about your child's day.