

Arrival:

Our Center is open from 7AM until 6PM, Monday-Friday. Children should be signed in each day through our app, Brightwheel. Breakfast is served daily at 8AM.

Departure:

Children should be signed out each day by parents through Brightwheel. Children may only be picked up by parents or an authorized person. Photo ID will be required from all unfamiliar persons. It is important to pick up your child on time. All children should be picked up by 6PM to avoid late fees.

Early Withdrawal:

Any child needing to withdraw from the program before the school year is over should submit a written two-week notice to the director. Tuition is due during this two-week period.

Meals and Snacks:

St Matthew's Weekday follows the Mississippi State Department of Health guidelines for nutrition. We serve breakfast, lunch, and two snacks to full time daycare and one snack for afterschool students.



What We Believe:

St. Matthew's Weekday Ministry believes that children begin learning at birth. We believe that children should be offered a loving, safe environment and provided every opportunity to learn and grow to their full potential. It is the role of each teacher to provide guidance and clear expectations for the child, which gives them positive learning experiences. Learning should be fun, challenging, and always age appropriate. Children are individuals and are respected as such. We believe that it is the role of all adults involved in a child's life to work together to promote the child's development and well-being. It is our goal to instill a love for learning and the ability to make good choices in every child who enters our program.

St. Matthew's Weekday Ministry is supervised by a Board of Directors from St. Matthew's UMC. The Board of Directors is responsible for the policies of the program.



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INFANTS THROUGH PK4 FULL DAY
AND
AFTERSCHOOL



St. Matthew's Weekday Ministry is a licensed facility by the Mississippi State Department of Health and is subject to all regulations governing childcare.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Welcome to a preview of St. Matthew's Weekday Ministry. We believe that each child in our program is a child of God and should be given every opportunity to develop physically, intellectually, emotionally, socially, and spiritually to their fullest potential. The church is called to ministry, caring for children, showing concern for families, and providing nurture and support for its congregation and for the surrounding community. Our Weekday program is a ministry of St. Matthew's United Methodist Church and through this program, we want every child to feel at home in God's world.



"Play is often talked about as if it were a relief from serious learning. But for children play is serious learning. Play is really the work of childhood." -Fred Rogers

OUR PROGRAM

St. Matthew's Weekday cares for children ages 8 weeks through PK4 full day, as well as K-5 afterschool. Infants are provided with a warm, nurturing, and stimulating environment that promotes optimal brain development. Toddlers through PreK classes offer a variety of activities such as blocks, dramatic play, fine motor skills, books, arts/crafts, science, math, writing, and music. Teachers follow a plan of daily activities that promote social, emotional, cognitive, and physical development. Weekday afterschool care is offered to children attending local schools and includes snack time, homework assistance, games, and activities.

enrollment:

Enrollment is by written application. Priority is given to children presently enrolled, children of St. Matthew's members, children of a sibling presently enrolled. Open enrollment is offered as vacancies occur.

fees:

Yearly registration fee--\$100.00
(non-refundable).

Tuition:

Tuition is based on age and needs.

Infants-Ones=\$185 weekly

Twos, Threes, Fours=\$175 weekly

Afterschool care=\$100 weekly

Summer/Holiday school age all day
care=\$155 weekly

Tuition is paid by draft in our Brightwheel app on a weekly or monthly basis. No refunds are given for illness, vacations, missed days,

absence:

Always notify the Center if your child will not be attending or when they are sick. Afterschool parents need to notify the Center when their child will not be riding the Van. It avoids wait time at the schools.

health and medical:

Our program accepts well children only. Please do not bring a child who is sick. If a child becomes ill while at Weekday, the parent will be notified. A child needs to be fever-free for 24 hours without fever-reducing medicine before returning to the Center. Special medication may be administered by the weekday office with a doctor's prescription. Please submit all medication and allergy information in writing to the weekday office.

immunizations:

All parents must submit a form 121 from their doctor stating that the child's immunizations are up to date prior to beginning St. Matthew's Weekday. Please note that immunizations must be updated within 14 days from expiration date per Mississippi State Department of Health. Children will not be able to attend without updated records.