

## Preschool Class Schedule

For children turning 3 before August 31

9:00- 1:00

### Arrival:

Children transition to school and settle on their carpet squares in the Circle Area.

### Circle time:

Children and teachers gather together to start the morning. We sing the "Hello Song," then kids have a chance to choose songs. We may do movement games or dance, and it is also time to share news of the day.

### Small Group:

Each teacher meets at a table with her group of children to offer an art project, game, or other special activity. It's a time to introduce new materials, offer projects that require more teacher supervision, and continue on-going projects from day to day. The Small Group activities are open ended, and children can leave when they feel done.

### Choice Time:

After Small Group, kids are free to choose activities from anywhere in the classroom (Art Area, Blocks, Book Corner, Pretend Area, Writing Table, Puzzles and Games, etc!) Teachers spend this time playing with groups of children or individuals, helping children engage in activities, solve problems, resolve conflicts, extend ideas, or try things in a new way. We spend an extended amount of time in Choice Time so children have the opportunity to get fully engaged in long term, complicated ideas and activities without interruption.

### Toileting:

During Choice Time, one teacher assists as necessary as children go to the bathroom (or get a diaper change), and wash their hands.

### Clean Up:

We work together to put things back where they belong.

### Snack:

A relaxed time to re energize, and chat together around the table. We provide the snack, taking allergies or food restrictions into account.

### Outside Time:

We walk together to the Magnolia Community Center Playground, or the big play field. Kids hold hands with a partner on the way to and from the park, and everyone wears a bright, neon-yellow vest to make visibility easy!

### Lunch Time:

The class sits down together to eat the lunches they have brought from home. As the year progresses, and the class gets closer, Lunch Time is a wonderful time for friends to chat together and with their teachers in a relaxed, fun way.

### Book Time:

We end our time together by coming inside to gather and read books as parents arrive and begin to hear about our busy day!