



St. Paul's Lutheran Church Pre-School

2017 – 2018 School Year Program Information

Academic Program.

Our program is designed to guide and encourage children to reach their full potential in a Christian environment through age appropriate learning activities that focus on developing language, literacy, and cognition. The curriculum enhances academic, social, emotional, physical and spiritual development. Each month, we promote a Christian value (such as sharing, helping others, etc.) which is incorporated into the curriculum. All of our teachers have a degree in Early Childhood Education and/or are certified. Children have plenty of opportunities for learning with the whole group, the small-group, and one-on-one instruction. We take the approach that in order to learn, the whole child must be nurtured, so play and social interaction with peers are an important part of our program. Children have recess and snack every day. We offer fieldtrips (both off site and on site) so children can learn about nature, animals, the arts, and drama. We also provide speech, hearing, and vision screenings at the school.

Specials

Our specials promote cultural, physical and spiritual development. We offer Music & Movement, Art, Spanish, and Chapel Time. In Music & Movement, children sing songs and learn finger plays and movements that are thematically linked to the curriculum. This fun and active program, held once a week with each class, focuses on developing musical concepts, coordination, and gross motor skills. It also prepares children for the annual Christmas and End of the Year Programs. Art is taught once a week. It focuses on the creative process and artistic expression. Spanish is taught to all classes (except for the 2-day classes) once a week. It offers children an exposure to the language and culture. Children learn vocabulary, phrases, and songs in Spanish. Each class participates in Chapel Time once a month in the beautiful, historic Church that is connected to the school building. The children visit the Church where they learn a song and prayer about God's love.

Stay and Play

Our Stay and Play Program provides busy families the flexible coverage they need for child-care outside of the regular school day while also offering special enrichment activities. This program is open to children ages 3 – 5 (they must be fully potty-trained), Monday – Friday, and children may attend even if they are not in class that day. It includes Early Birds, Lunch Bunch, and Explorers Club. You can sign up as needed for each or all of the programs, or you can pre-pay by the semester and receive a discount. Our cancellation policy requires that you notify us 24 hours in advance, otherwise you will be charged the full fee. The Explorers Club provides a different enrichment activity each day (please see below for specific Club information), and the children have lunch during the program. Please see the Tuition Information for fees and schedule for the Stay and Play Program.

Science Club (Mondays)
Arts & Crafts Club (Tuesdays)
Fitness Club (Wednesdays)
Music Club (Thursdays)
Drama Club (Fridays)

Exploration of the world around us
Creative projects linked to thematic stories
Fun and active games and sports
Music from around the world
Favorite fairy tale plays with costumes & props

June Bugs

Our summer program is fun-filled, active, and geared toward outside play. It is open to children ages 3-5 (they must be fully potty-trained.) It includes sports, music, nature study, water play, and a week-long art project that is developed around a Bible story. June Bugs is for three weekly sessions from June 5th – June 23rd. Please see the Tuition Information for fees.