

Peace Nursery Center



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Science and Nature



Many elementary science principles are presented during the school year. Basic experiments are performed and many items from nature are examined. The children learn to become aware of the world around them.

Music and Rhythm



A variety of simple songs are taught, helping the children gain an appreciation of music. Frequent repetition of songs at transition times help the children build self confidence and experience the joy of singing. Rhythm instruments help develop a sense of rhythm and movement in music.

Group Games

Even the younger preschoolers are able to learn basic group games. As the children mature, their ability to understand and follow directions increases, and the games taught are more difficult and challenging. The children learn patience, fairness, and an awareness of rules. But, most of all, they have fun!

Social Studies

A sampling of history, culture, and social relationships are a part of the curriculum. Holiday celebrations, and parent and guest speakers all contribute to an explanation of community. The children learn to appreciate others and have a positive attitude toward them.

Outdoor Play

Outdoor play is a time to develop large muscle skills and coordination. It also lets out extra energy! The children practice dressing and undressing skills. Responsibility for personal clothing and belongings is emphasized. We will have occasional outdoor play during the winter months, and will let you know when to send outdoor play clothing.

Purpose

It is the purpose of Peace Nursery Center to operate a nonprofit, non-discriminatory, non-sectarian, State-approved nursery for children of preschool age (3-6 years old), and to provide training to prepare such children for kindergarten.

The choice to start your child in nursery school is probably one of the most important decisions you will be making for him or her during the formative preschool years. Often this is the first experience the child will have in activities away from home and with a group of his or her peers.

This booklet has been designed to inform you of the class schedule and enrollment requirements, the type of curriculum offered, and suggestions for ways that you may help your child benefit the most from the experience.

Goals

It is our goal to provide the type of environment and experiences that will allow your child to develop the following:

- a sense of individuality
- a positive group image
- security and a feeling of accomplishment
- successful separation from parent(s)
- self expression and creativity
- self control
- responsibility
- participation and cooperation skills
- good listening skills
- interest and joy in learning



Schedule

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The nursery school year begins in September and ends in May. There are four scheduled classes.

- Tues./Thurs. 9:00-11:00 am (TR-am)
- # Tues./Thurs. 12:30-2:30 pm (TR-pm)
- + Wed./Fri. 9:00-11:00 pm (WF-am)
- Mon./Wed./Fri 12:30-2:30 pm (MWF-pm)

The outside door is open 5 minutes before class begins. Children should be dropped off and picked up

Enrollment Requirements

1. For the two-day, three year old class, children must be three years old by February 1st – September 1st of the entrance year.
2. For the two day, multi-age program, children who are three years old by January 31st, of the entrance of school.
3. For the three-day program, the child must be 4 years old before September 1st of the entrance year.

Registration

Registration for preschool classes will be open to:

1. Peace United Methodist Church members and currently enrolled children beginning the first Monday in February.
2. Siblings of currently enrolled children may register of the 1st Tuesday in February.
3. The general community beginning on the

Enrollment is on a first-come, first-served basis. If all classes are full, there is a waiting list.

A non-refundable registration fee must be paid within ten days of the time of application.

Curriculum

The ability and maturity of the preschool child determines the curriculum of this program. The children's interests and stages of development are foremost in the minds of the teachers. Therefore, as the children mature, new activities are added and others changed to meet their new needs. The preschool program is flexible from project to project, and yet maintains enough daily routine to give a feeling of security. The following activities represent the core of the Peace Nursery Center curriculum.

Group Time

The focal point of the day or week is a group lesson which presents the concept or idea being taught that day or week. The children learn to sit quietly, to listen, organize their thoughts, and contribute their ideas to the discussion. New concepts and vocabulary are presented.

Free Play

Children are given the chance to choose their play area. They learn to cooperate with peers, investigate new activities, and have fun making decisions



Arts and Crafts

The children investigate many forms of arts and crafts. These include such activities easel painting, gluing, cutting, coloring, finger painting, printing, and play dough modeling. The children are encouraged to do their own work to the best of their ability, and then are praised for what they have accomplished. They learn to follow directions, take initiative, and work with various tools and materials.



Story Time

A variety of interesting, age-appropriate stories provide the children with humor, fantasy, empathy, vocabulary, and new experiences. They learn to concentrate, share feelings and opinions, and enjoy books.

Safety

Peace Nursery Center carries all necessary insurance as required by Wisconsin State law. The insurance covers the children from the time they leave home until they return, including field trips. School bus transportation is used on all trips.

Fire drills are conducted monthly.

Parent Involvement

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Parent/Teacher conferences are scheduled during the school year. Special conferences may be called by the teachers as needed and parents are encouraged to call the teacher if they have any questions or concerns.

Volunteers

We would like parents to be a part of the preschool experience. You are invited and encouraged to visit your child's class any time--no prior notice is needed. We could use volunteers in many areas, such as carpentry, project preparation, field trip aide, sewing, painting, and telephoning.

Snacks

A snack time is scheduled midway through each class. This is a time for tasting new foods, and for socialization. The parents are asked to share in providing the snacks. A calendar of snack responsibilities will be given to parents in September. A list of suggestions for nutritious and safe snacks

Car pools may be arranged by the parents. A complete listing of the children in your child's class, addresses, and phone numbers will be given to you at September orientation meeting.



Tuition

The tuition is based on the anticipated expenses for the forthcoming year. Fees cover the cost of insurance, supplies and field trip transportation.

Tuition is payable in advance for the quarter, semester, or full year.

All forms and fees must be turned in before your child may begin the semester or the quarter. You will be given two weeks' notice of nonpayment. Exceptions may be permitted by special petition to the nursery school.

Withdrawal

The teachers and board members reserve the right to recommend the withdrawal of any child who, due to special circumstances, is not currently able to benefit from a preschool experience.

Severe Weather

In the event of severe weather conditions, please listen to local radio and television stations. Peace Nursery Center WILL BE CLOSED when the Green Bay Public Schools close. Special delay circumstances will be addressed in monthly newsletters.

HEALTH AND SAFETY



Medical Examination

State law requires that your child have a health examination. A form, provided by Peace Nursery Center, must be signed by a licensed health care professional.

State law also requires that all children entering preschool have these immunizations:

- 4 DPT/DT, a P/DT, 3 Polio
- 1 IVIR, 3HepB, and 3 Hib
- 1 Varicella(chickenpox)

These requirements can be waived only if a signed health/religious/personal conviction waiver is filed with our center. (Refer to the bottom of the green immunization form)

***Note: Varicella vaccine is needed

The state does not require vision screening, but we feel that this is an excellent time for an exam by an eye specialist.



Health Policies

Staff members monitor the children daily for symptoms of illness or injury. The parent will be notified immediately if their child becomes ill or is seriously injured. If it should become necessary for your child to receive medical treatment and you cannot be reached, your child will be taken to St. Vincent Hospital. Please list the emergency telephone numbers only of people you are certain can be reached during the time your child is in school.



Parents will be notified if their child has had a minor injury such as a scraped knee or bumped head. Parents will also be notified if their child has been exposed to a communicable disease which has been diagnosed or suspected.

Peace Nursery Center maintains a medical log. Teachers make note of symptoms of illness or injury that are observed or that may occur when a child is in the nursery school session. Entries in the medical log will be accessible to the child's parents upon request.

A copy of the Peace Nursery Center child care policies and state regulations are available upon request. Peace Nursery Center teachers are legally bound to report suspected child abuse.

Illness

Do not send your child to school with a fever or flu symptoms even if he wants to go! Always wait 24 hours after your child's temperature has returned to normal before allowing him to return to school.

If your child has a communicable disease, like chicken pox or head lice, please contact your physician, the Green Bay Health Department, and Peace Nursery Center. The child may return to school with your physician's consent.