

Four-Year-Olds

For children turning four before September 30

Scheduling

Monday/Wednesday/Friday 8:40-11:10

Monday/Wednesday/Friday 11:45-2:15

Tuesday/Thursday 8:40-11:10

Tuesday/Thursday 11:45-2:15

5 day Program 8:40-11:10

5 day Program 11:45-2:15

Enrichment MWF 11:45-2:15

Children in this program qualify for the following special programming:

Lunch Bunch

Our lunch program serves as a great way for students to gain extra social time, interacting with different friends and teachers. During this time, the students eat lunch and then work with staff on thematic units that offer enrichment and exploration of topics that are not a part of our traditional curriculum. Some examples are: author studies, fairy tales, health and nutrition, and extra science experiments. This class runs from 11:10-12:45.

Afternoon Enrichment

Upon a recommendation from a child's classroom teacher four-year-olds can join our afternoon enrichment class that would extend their learning day. This class focuses on exploring thematic topics of high interest and stresses problem solving and art exploration while reviewing academic topics from the morning.



Four-Year-Old Description

Our Four-Year-Old program creates a love of learning that prepares our students for their transition into Kindergarten. Our teachers guide each child in the development of physical, social and cognitive skills by utilizing both individual and group activities to help instill a wonder of the world around them. We use a great deal of science to inform our choices for curriculum. Literature, phonemic awareness and math move seamlessly into lessons about plants, animals, and various ecosystems.

Each day there is a class meeting where we introduce different topics that the class will explore throughout the day. Our teachers use observation to identify topics that spark the interest of the children. Using this information, the staff creates a fresh curriculum that ensures all academic topics are covered in a fascinating way that engages our students. It is obvious that each of our teachers loves to learn and brings that discovery to their class each day.

The 5-day Program is a continuous program ideal for students who are not eligible for the Early 5's program. They may need more time to mature socially or work on academic skills for another year. Because there is more time spent at school, students are exposed to more academic and social content and can easily transition to the more advanced requirements of school when entering Kindergarten.

These classes enjoy a daily (in the 5--day class children receive three days) physical education class in our multi-purpose space as well as a weekly music class. Two field trips occur throughout the year and many special days are celebrated.

As in all of our age levels, teachers constantly refer to the Ohio Pre kindergarten Content Learning Standards, Early Childhood research, and information from our area Kindergarten programs to assure that First School Students are prepared to excel when transitioning into either our Kindergarten program or their next school.