

South Washington County Schools

EARLY LEARNING PROGRAMS

2021-22 PRESCHOOL OFFERINGS & INFORMATION

Check Out Our Fall, 2021 Preschool Classes!

Registrations are now being accepted first come, first served. See information below for classes and preschool program information. Follow these steps to enroll your child:

How to Register

1. Go to sowashco.ce.eleyo.com
2. Click "Sign in" to sign in or "Create an Account"
3. Select "Explore All Programs"
4. Select "Three's Preschool," "3 ½-4's Preschool," or "Four's Preschool"
5. Click "Registration"
6. Select "Register a New Contract"
7. Select "Attending Child" and follow prompts
8. Mail, fax, or drop off a copy of your child's birth certificate and immunization records.
9. Schedule an Early Childhood Screening by calling: 651-425-6175 or by email: srohr@sowashco.org

THREES PRESCHOOL

AGE	DAY	TIME	SITE LOCATION	COST PER MONTH	COURSE
Threes Preschool (3 by 9/1/21)	T/TH	9:15-11:45 am	Valley Crossing Elementary	\$184	VC613-7
Threes Preschool (3 by 9/1/21)	M/W	1:15-3:45 pm	District Program Center	\$184	DP608-25
Threes Preschool (3 by 9/1/21)	T/TH T/TH	9:15-11:45 am 9:15-11:45 am	District Program Center	\$184	DP601-24 DP603-25
Threes Preschool (3 by 9/1/21)	T/TH T/TH	1:15-3:45 pm 1:15-3:45 pm	District Program Center	\$184	DP602-24 DP605-26

MULTI-AGE PRESCHOOL

AGE	DAY	TIME	SITE LOCATION	COST PER MONTH	COURSE
3.5 to 4 by 9/1/21	M/W/F T/TH	8:40-11:10 AM 8:40-11:10 AM	Pine Hill Elementary	\$215 \$184	PH320-8 PH620-8
3.5 to 4 by 9/1/21	M/W/F T/TH	8:40-11:10 AM 8:40-11:10 AM	Woodbury Elementary	\$215 \$184	WE325-8 WE625-8
3.5 to 4 by 9/1/21	M/W/F T/TH	8:40-11:10 AM 8:40-11:10 AM	Middleton Elementary	\$215 \$184	ME345-8 ME645-8
3.5 to 4 by 9/1/21	M/W/F	1:15-3:45 PM	Valley Crossing Elementary	\$215	VC313-8
3.5 to 4 by 9/1/21	M/W/F	1:15-3:45 PM	District Program Center	\$215	DP305-26
3.5 to 4 by 9/1/21 (EVENING)	T/TH	5:30-7:30 PM	District Program Center	\$174	DP511-26E

***THREES AND MULTI-AGE PRESCHOOL WITH
ONCE PER WEEK "OPTIONAL" PARENT DISCUSSION**

AGE	DAY	TIME	SITE LOCATION	COST PER MONTH	COURSE
Threes Preschool (3 by 9/1/21)	M/W/F M/W/F	9:15-11:45 AM 9:15-11:45 AM	District Program Center	\$215	Dp301-25 DP303-26
Threes & Fours Multi-Age Preschool (3 by 9/1/21)	M/W/F T/TH	9:15-11:45 AM 9:15-11:45 AM	Valley Crossing Elementary	\$215 \$184	VC307-7 VC612-7
Multi-Age Preschool (3.5 by 9/1/21)	M/W/F	9:15-11:45 AM	Valley Crossing Elementary	\$215	VC315-8

*These preschool sections provide an option for parents to register for a parent discussion group as part of the class registration. The parent groups will meet on Fridays from 9:15-10:30 am. Childcare will be provided if you wish to register for the parent discussion group and your child does not attend preschool at the same as the group meets. Childcare will also be provided for other siblings. If you choose to register for the parent portion and/or childcare, there will be an option as you register to indicate that you would like to participate.

PRE-K FOURS PRESCHOOL – LOCATED AT ELEMENTARY SITES

AGE	DAY	TIME	ELEMENTARY SITE LOCATION	COST PER MONTH	COURSE
PRE-K 4 by 9/1/21	M-F M-F	8:40-11:10 AM session 12:40-3:10 PM session	ARMSTRONG	\$371	AES-1A AES-1P
PRE-K 4 by 9/1/21	M-F M-F	9:20-11:50 AM session 1:20-3:50 PM session	BAILEY	\$371	BES-1A BES-1P
PRE-K 4 by 9/1/21	M-F	8:40-11:10 AM session 12:40-3:10 PM session	COTTAGE GROVE	\$371	CGES-1A CGES-1P
PRE-K 4 by 9/1/21	M-F	7:55-10:25 AM session 11:55-2:25 PM session	CRESTVIEW	\$371	CES-1A CES-1P
PRE-K 4 by 9/1/21	M-F	8:40-11:10 AM session 12:40-3:10 PM session	GREY CLOUD	\$371	GCES-1A GCES-1P
PRE-K 4 by 9/1/21	M-F	8:40-11:10 AM session 12:40-3:10 PM session	HILLSIDE	\$371	HES-1A HES-1P
PRE-K 4 by 9/1/21	M-F	9:20-11:50 AM session 1:20-3:50 PM session	LIBERTY RIDGE	\$371	LRES-1A LRES-1P
PRE-K 4 by 9/1/21	M-F	12:40-3:10 PM session (PM ONLY)	MIDDLETON	\$371	MES-1P
PRE-K 4 by 9/1/21	M-F	7:55-10:25 AM session 11:55-2:25 PM session	*NEWPORT	\$371	NES-1A NES-1P
PRE-K 4 by 9/1/21	M-F	12:40-3:10 PM session (PM ONLY)	PINE HILL	\$371	PHES-1P
PRE-K 4 by 9/1/21	M-F	8:40-11:10 AM session 12:40-3:10 PM session	PULLMAN	\$371	PES-1A PES-1P
PRE-K 4 by 9/1/21	M-F	7:55-10:25 AM session 11:55-2:25 PM session	RED ROCK	\$371	RRES-1A RRES-1P
PRE-K 4 by 9/1/21	M-F	7:55-10:25 AM session 11:55-2:25 PM session	ROYAL OAKS	\$371	ROES-1A ROES-1P
PRE-K 4 by 9/1/21	M-F	1:15-3:45 PM session (PM ONLY)	VALLEY CROSSING	\$371	VCES-1P
PRE-K 4 by 9/1/21	M-F	8:40-11:10 AM session 12:40-3:10 PM session	WOODBURY	\$371	WES-1A WES-1P

*Newport preschool is available only to Newport school boundary residents only based on school specific State funding.

2021-22 PRESCHOOL INFORMATION

REGISTRATION INFORMATION AND ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS

Early Learning Enrollment Contacts

Brenda Griffin, Early Learning Office Coordinator: 651-425-2701

Sherrie Rohr, Early Learning Secretary: 651-425-6175

Early Learning Office Fax Number: 651-425-2720

Online Registration

Preschool registration will take place online at ce.sowashco.org beginning on March 1 through March 31, 2021. After that time an initial lottery for placement at your designated school site will take place. Registrations that are fully completed will be placed in the initial placement lottery. After April 1, registrations will be taken on a first come, first served basis. Registrations received after June 18 will not be processed until after August 2, 2021.

If your family does not have access to a computer or need assistance, the Early Learning office staff will be happy to assist you with your registration by phone. If you have questions or need support with your registration, please call: 651-425-2701.

Selecting Your Class & Required Documents

Upon making class selections, indicate your first choice by selecting that class at the beginning of the registration process. There will be an opportunity during the registration process to indicate your second choice. You will also need to provide a birth certificate, immunization records and proof of screening. If you have questions related to documents necessary for enrollment, please call our Early Learning Office: 651-425-2701. Please note: If you are registering for the 4-year-old program, your child will not be placed in a class until Early Childhood Screening has been completed. Please call: 651-425-6175 or Email: srohr@sowashco.org to schedule an appointment if your child has not completed Early Childhood Screening.

Tuition

- Nine monthly payments will be due on the 1st of each month, beginning September 1, 2021 through May 1, 2022.
- Payments received after the 5th of each month will be charged a \$25 late fee.
- If your financial situation changes, please contact our office immediately to make arrangements for payment. Because our program is primarily supported by fees our fees are relied upon for operating expenses. Any nonpayment that becomes delinquent will be required to be sent to our collections if an alternative financial plan is not made with our office.
- A two-week notice is required when withdrawing your child from class. Failure to do so may result in additional charges. All outstanding balances must be paid in full.

Registration Fee

A registration fee of \$85 is required at the time of enrollment. If you pay your registration fee by credit card, your card will not be charged until your child is placed into a class. All checks will be processed upon receipt. The registration fee is a one-time charge and is nonrefundable once your child has been placed in a class.

Financial Assistance

Financial assistance is available for families that meet certain State eligibility requirements. Financial assistance can be applied for online when you are registering for preschool. Families may be required to provide proof of income. Those qualifying for assistance will also be required to complete a State Pathways Scholarship application. Limited district scholarships are available.

Class Confirmations

Processing of your registration fee will be confirmation of your child's placement and you will receive an auto email response no later than April 30, 2021. Typically, all children will be placed in either a first or second choice.

Toilet Skills

Children attending preschool should be mostly bathroom independent, knowing when they need to use the bathroom, and are having few accidents. *Special circumstances are accommodated due to medical needs.

Transportation

We are sorry but transportation for the 2021-22 program year will be limited to Newport Elementary based on State funding eligibility parameters and current availability.

Highly Qualified Staff

Our staff are highly qualified! Preschool teachers in South Washington County Schools Preschool Program are required to have a solid knowledge of early childhood education and child development and hold a minimum of a 4-year college degree. Paraprofessionals are required to be "highly qualified" through their education or district assessment.

Curriculum and Assessment

The curriculum and assessment utilized in our preschool program follows the Minnesota Department of Education guidelines for public school preschool programs.

Safe Practice Protocols/Expectations for Drop-Off and Pick-Up

As the district preschool programs grow in the elementary buildings, it is our duty to partner with parents to ensure that safe practices are followed for our youngest learners. The district expectations for dropping off and picking up preschool students are listed below as well as the transportation practices expected. We also ask that you follow your school site procedures for those safety expectations unique to the school or community site your child attends.

Arrival

Parents or another designated adult individual must escort children to and from the classroom or the designated place where the staff will greet children each day. Preschool children will only be released to designated individuals. Please indicate on your child's emergency card if there are other adults who may pick up your child. An ID will be requested anytime and adult other than the child picks up. If there is an emergency situation where another adult that is not listed on your child's emergency card, must pick up your child, contact your child's teacher and inform them in writing (email or written note) the name of the person that will pick up your child. Teachers will not release a student to a person not authorized by the parent or legal guardian.

Prompt Pick-Up

Arrive 5 minutes prior to the end of class in order to be prompt in picking up your child. Young children often get very concerned when the other children have been picked up and they are left to wait. Ensuring prompt pick-up demonstrates consideration of the teaching staff and their time as well.

Transportation Pick-Up and Drop-Off – NEWPORT ELEMENTARY ONLY

Preschool students accepted for district transportation will receive "home to school" pick-up and drop-off. There must be an adult present when a child is dropped off. Drivers are instructed not to drop off students without adult acknowledgment (eye-to-eye) when dropping off. *Please note: We are sorry but transportation for the 2021-22 program year will be limited to Newport Elementary only based on State funding eligibility parameters and current availability.*