

PURPOSE - Christ Lutheran Church Preschool's (CLCP) curriculum is age-appropriate; both learning instruction and play are planned with developmental goals in mind. The Preschool provides a learning experience with challenges and stimulation to promote social, cognitive and intellectual growth in a loving atmosphere with a Christian emphasis. The program provides a variety of enjoyable, creative activities such as art, music, Spanish, literature, science, cooking and free play. Classes provide both structured and child-directed exploration activities to develop critical thinking, problem solving skills and positive self-confidence.

Our licensed facility is bright, cheery and spacious, with a large well-equipped playground. Class sizes are small with staff to child ratios exceeding state requirements, a good indicator of a high quality program.

Christ Lutheran Church Preschool is open to children of all faiths, and is an outreach program of Christ Lutheran Church. Chapel time meets twice a month with a warm, loving Christian message shared by our Youth Director or Pastor. Bible stories are integrated with songs, prayer, arts and crafts through-out the month.

Children who are happy, engaged and well-loved rarely have discipline problems. However, when necessary, a teacher will talk with the child and use redirection as the next step. All discipline will be positive, developmentally appropriate and follow logical consequences.

PROGRAM GOALS – Our staff is here to meet the cognitive, social, emotional, physical, developmental and spiritual needs of children. This is accomplished through positive, loving guidance and instruction by our qualified staff in a safe, secure environment.

ENROLLMENT - Enrollment is open to all children between the ages of 2½ -6 yr. 11 months, regardless of race, nationality, ethnic origin or religion. Current families, alumni and church members are given priority during the registration process.

CLASSES AND FEES

Registration Fee - \$60 per child **non-refundable**
\$90 per family

This fee reserves your child's space.

A 10% discount for tuition is given for second sibling.
(Excludes Kids Klub Program)

Scholarships are available if needed.

AM Half Day Program 9:15am-12:15pm
PS 3 yr olds T/Th \$165.00/month
PS 3 yr olds T/Th/F \$225.00/month
PS younger 3's*

W/F \$165.00/month

PreK 4 yr olds M/W/F \$225.00/month

PreK 4 yr olds M/T/Th \$225.00/month

Enrichment Friday \$85.00/month

Early Preschool* W/F \$165.00/month

**Early Preschool must be 2 ½ by 9/1/17

**Younger 3's – must be 3 by 12/1/17

** 3 yr olds must be 3 by 10/1/17

** 4 yr olds must be 4 by 10/1/17

AM Half Day Programs 9:15am -1:15pm
PS 3 yr olds T/Th \$200.00/month
PreK 4 yr olds M/W/F \$245.00/month

PM Half Day Program 1:00-4:00 pm
PS (PM) 3 yr olds T/Th \$165.00/month
PreK (PM) 4 yr olds M/W/F \$225.00/month

Jr. Kindergarten
JR.K AM M-Th **9am-12:15pm**
 Must be 5 by 12/31/17 \$300.00/month
JR.K PM M-TH **1:00-4:00 pm**
 Must be 5 by 2/28/18 \$275.00/month

Full Day Program 9:15am-3:15pm
PS 3 year olds T/Th \$245.00/month
PreK 4 year olds M/W \$245.00/month

Kids' Klub (Extended Day)
 AM 8:00-9:15 \$6/ Day
 PM 12:15-5:00 \$6/hour or \$25 after 4:00PM

PRESCHOOL - The three-year-old class offers first preschool experience in a warm, safe, and nurturing environment. Children learn social skills through "purposeful play," having many opportunities to participate in varied centers and projects. Our curriculum includes a schedule of center time, circle time, story time, sharing, exploration time, outside play, art, lunch, and "Specials" – Spanish and Music. Letters, phonics, numbers, colors, shapes, and name recognition are introduced.

PREKINDERGARTEN- The four-year-old class provides a structured experience in a fun learning environment. Our curriculum includes Kindergarten Readiness Skills that focus on recognition and writing of letters and numbers utilizing the Handwriting Without Tears program. Literacy activities are integrated throughout the day that enhance our students understanding of concepts. We also use a "hands on" approach by using manipulatives to develop the cognitive skills needed for math readiness. The day is divided into teacher-instructed time as well as child-directed exploration. Other classroom activities include circle/calendar time, show and tell, outside play, stories, art/crafts, science units and "Specials"; Spanish and Music.

JR. KINDERGARTEN - This program is geared to the skills and abilities of a slightly older group of children who miss the cut-off for Kindergarten or who are not quite ready to move on to Kindergarten. This class is more structured than our Pre-Kindergarten and places greater emphasis on academics in all areas of learning. Junior-Kindergarten utilizes the Handwriting Without Tears Program along with journaling to enhance our students writing ability. Literacy and reading readiness skills are integrated throughout each day. We also use a "hands on" approach using manipulatives that will develop your child's math readiness abilities. The day is divided into teacher instructed time and child-directed exploration. Classroom activities include circle/calendar time, show and tell, outside play, stories, art/crafts, science, cooking and "Specials"; Spanish and Music.

(Teachers are required to complete 15 hours of continuing education per year.)

STATEMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

Christ Lutheran Church Preschool welcomes families of all faiths, creeds and ethnic origins to its program. The programs are developed from a common desire for meeting the needs of children and their families for nurturing growth and development of relationships and understanding.

-We believe in helping children achieve their full potential in the context of relationships that are based on trust, respect and positive regard.

-We believe that the dignity and worth of each child and family is important.

-We believe that each child should be helped to develop a positive self-image.

-We believe that our educational decisions and guidance for children must be based on our knowledge of child development. We recognize the needs of children change as they grow and our program must respond in content and structure.

-We believe each child is a unique individual with special gifts. We believe that it is important to meet each child's needs for physical, social, emotional and intellectual growth.

-We believe that children deserve a nurturing, safe, and happy environment which promotes their natural curiosity, and desire to learn. We believe creativity, self-expression and curiosity are expressions of individuality and they should be encouraged and developed in all people.

-We believe that children deserve to have teachers who are capable and caring, and whose values enable them to be excellent role models.

LUNCH/SNACK - Children need to bring a nutritious lunch to eat with their classmates if they are enrolled in our AM or Full Day Classes. If in a full day class, we ask that you also provide an afternoon snack in your child's tote.

*We do provide an afternoon snack for our Kids Klub*Afternoon classes will rotate bringing snack within their classroom.

SECURITY

Access is gained by a security code or ringing the doorbell. Everyone is video-taped when entering the school.

CLCP CALENDAR

Our nine-month calendar follows the Douglas County School District schedule, CLCP begins in August and ends in May. We observe the major holidays: Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas, MLK Day, President's Day, as well as, Fall and Spring Break.

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

We hold two parent/teacher conferences a year. In September you will meet for a goal planning conference with the teacher. Then, in the Spring a formal assessment is completed and is discussed at that time.

SPECIAL EVENTS

We have so much fun! Join us for Halloween parade and party, special guests, Thanksgiving Feast, Christmas program, Western Lunch, Valentine's party, Bookfair, Art show/dinner, Graduation and so much more! We encourage parents to help plan and participate in our activities.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

We are members of organizations who advocate for enhancing Early Childhood Education programs, such as NAEYC and ECCDA, because we strongly believe in continuing education and professional growth of our staff in order to maintain a quality program with outstanding teachers who are up-to-date on the most current educational trends.



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