

Pre-Kindergarten Information Sheet 2026 – 2027 School Year

Pre-Kindergarten Program Description

The Pre-K program is for children ages 4-6 years old who will be eligible to attend kindergarten the following year. The program fosters the social, emotional, intellectual, spiritual, and physical development of each child within a small community of learners. Classes have an average student/teacher ratio of 6/1, which is significantly lower than other preschools. The number of students in the group is limited to 12. This provides an ideal, low stress environment for students and their teachers, allowing teachers to get to know individual students better through one-on-one conversations, observations, and interactions.

The program provides a balance of play-based learning activities and teacher-directed lessons to prepare children for all day kindergarten. Children have opportunities to participate in daily group time, work on tasks independently, rotate through learning centers, and collaborate on projects with their peers. Teachers connect projects and lessons to children's interests to keep them engaged and help them practice skills needed for kindergarten, while also providing resources and opportunities for creative expression in music, art, building, design, movement, and dramatic activities.

Days/Hours of Operation

Pre-Kindergarten children may enroll 2, 3, or 5 days a week from 8:30 am - 12:30 pm (4 hours) or 8:30 am – 2:15 pm (5.75 hours) following Upper Arlington City Schools elementary school attendance schedule.

Staff

Our lead Pre-Kindergarten teachers are experienced and have college degrees. They also receive at least 10 hours of training in child development every year. Staff members are certified in first aid, CPR, management of communicable diseases, and recognizing signs of child abuse. All staff members have BCI and FBI background checks. The program director is an experienced teacher with a master's degree in teaching and learning from The Ohio State University.

Tuition (9 monthly payments) and Fees

Tuition: See the table below. If space is available, students may occasionally add extra weekdays. The first tuition payment is due 7/1/26. The remaining 8 tuition payments are due on the 1st of each month beginning 9/1/26 thru 4/1/27.

Non-Refundable Application Fee: \$100 per child.

Session Name	Time Period	5 days/wk (M,Tu,W,Th,F) Monthly Tuition	3 days/wk (M,W,F) Monthly tuition	2 days/wk (Tu/Th) Monthly tuition	Occasional Extra Day
AM Pre-K	8:30 – 12:30 (4 hrs)	\$890	\$520	\$370	\$45
AM Pre-K Plus	8:30 – 2:15 (5.75 hrs)	\$1345	\$786	\$559	\$23* <small>*(12:30 – 2:15)</small>

Lunch/Snack

To better meet the needs of each individual child, children's parents are asked to send a packed morning snack, (and a packed lunch if enrolled in AM Pre-K Plus.) The program will not be able to provide refrigeration. Parents must include an ice pack or pack non-perishable food items.

Contact Information

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