

Dear Pre-K Parents:

Hello and Welcome to the Pre-K Classroom!

We strongly believe in the High Scope philosophy. Your child will have a fun filled exciting year as we participate in hands on experiences and learning through play.

Each day is a learning experience for our teachers. They are fascinated by the results that implementing the High Scope curriculum has on the children and their learning abilities. Our program offers a consistent, yet flexible schedule that poses choices rather than making demands. The High Scope daily routine is geared toward providing children with many opportunities to explore and experiment with real life objects. These items enable children to learn at their own stages of readiness.

The classroom is divided into interest areas such as block, toy, house, computer, sand/water, music, art, and writing. All areas are supplied with interesting materials that may be used in several ways to extend and stimulate your child's thought process. The daily routine is implemented consistently each day to ensure that your child experiences the same day every day they are in school, so they can predict schedules and time. This helps give them a sense of control. Each day the children practice the concept of "I find it, I use it, I put it back". Thus, knowing that by having a properly labeled classroom environment, materials are easily located, used, and returned to their proper place

Throughout the year, I will be using the Child Observation Record to assess the children's developmental growth. I will meet with you for parent teacher conferences to discuss your child's successes in the classroom.

Please feel free to leave a note on Tadpoles should you have anything you need to discuss. We would like to thank you for entrusting your child to us. Please know that our door is always open, and we encourage you to stop by and join us for Large Group Time or to come share your favorite book with our class.

Please see the list of items below that are needed to make your child's experience more comfortable. Please ensure that your child has them for their first day of class.

Working Together,

The Pre-K Teaching Team

PLEASE LABEL ALL OF YOUR CHILD'S BELONGINGS

- 1 change of seasonally appropriate clothing (including socks and underwear)
- 1 CRIB sheet- fitted to the rest mat
- 1 receiving blanket (nothing bigger – please)
- 2 changes of underwear
- 1 lunchbox with lunch every day – please label all Tupperware
- 1 book bag to go home every Friday
- 1 box of tissues
- 1 child's sized toothbrush with cover
- 1 child's toothpaste
- 1 package wet wipes
- 1 family photo- 4x6
- Real life objects from your culture
- 1 package of large pasta such as rigatoni or ziti
- 1 package of kool aid – for sensory activities

**Please be advised – our classroom is seafood and
nut free**