

Welcome to the Two's Classroom at Future Generation Early

Our program provides a consistent, yet flexible schedule that offers 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 Two's class schedule consists of several basic components: Greeting Time, Small Group Time, Large Group Time, Plan-do-review, Mealtime, Outside Time, and Nap Time. We can ensure that your child will encounter many great experiences as we will stay involved and fully interact with each individual child. Your child will learn through hands-on-exploration. Children are in fact, young scientists, and explorers. They love to imitate and pretend throughout their play. Most of all, they are determined to touch, taste, and examine anything that is put in front of them.

Play situations that may look like a disaster (a mess to clean up, noise, continuous banging, ice trays full of sand, cardboard tubes lined up) are all delightful signs of children's development and progress. In their ongoing attempts to master the universe, children will make messes and learn because of this. By offering our children a safe and nurturing environment that fosters their total development and enhances their self-esteem, we allow them to realize that they can do whatever they put their mind to.

We also allow them the opportunity to make mistakes and learn what to do the next time they are in the same situation to have a different outcome.

We will also incorporate potty training, self-feeding, dressing, and undressing, and clean up as vital learning experiences. Since we will be focusing so much on potty training, we ask, **no onesies**, they make it very difficult for your child to pull their clothes on and off in time to "make it" to the toilet on time. **Please try to put your child in as many elastic banded clothing items as possible.**

Mealtimes are a very important part of our day. I will focus on using big-kid cups and spoons. Please try to remember this when packing your child's lunch. Your

child will only need one snack from home each day. Please do not send in food for the week as we have limited storage for food in our classroom.

We are asking for your assistance in maintaining a strong home/school partnership. Future Generation always encourages developmentally appropriate practice. Please ensure that you communicate with us via the Tadpoles app – please provide me with any information you feel necessary regarding your child’s food intake or toileting progress. Please be sure to complete this information before your child is checked in.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for entrusting your child to me. We hope that you are happy with your choice in an early learning facility and have peace of mind that your child is in my care. Our door is always open, and we hope soon to be able to encourage you to stop by and join us for small group time or to share your favorite children’s book.

Working together,

The Two’s Classroom Staff

Below you will find a list of items your child will need to make your child’s stay more comfortable. Please have all these items by your child’s first day of school. These items will ensure your child’s success in their daily routine.

PLEASE LABEL ALL OF YOUR CHILD’S BELONGINGS

2 changes of seasonally appropriate clothing (full outfit including socks)

2 more outfits if child is potty training

1 elastic **CRIB** sheet

1 receiving blanket

1 Clorox wipes

1 box of tissues

1 bottle of shaving cream (for sensory activities)

1 box of Jell-O (for sensory activities)

1 package of Kool aid (for sensory activities)

1 package of baby wipes

1 book bag or backpack to go home on Friday (sheets MUST fit in the book bag)

1 lunch box to go home every day

1 Family Pictures

Lunch Every Day – Please label all Tupperware and reusable items.

If you choose to send in a sippy cup – please be sure it is labeled as well.
(We will begin to drink from regular cups in the Two's classroom – so we do not encourage this)