

Happy Harbor Preschool Program Information

You can choose to enroll in either the Monday/Wednesday Class or the Tuesday/Thursday Class. All classes are from 8:30am until 11:30am. The class size is limited to 12 children for the 3 year old class and 16 for the PreK classes. Children must be 3 by Sept. 1 to enroll in the 3 Year Old Class (and potty trained) or 4 by Sept. 1 to enroll in the PreK class (and potty trained). Each class will be staffed by two teachers. Tuition is \$75 per month. This is not a flexible fee, meaning that the cost will be the same each month no matter how many days are attended.

Classes are open to every child regardless of race, color, creed or national origin. An application, current Health Appraisal Form, and a non-refundable registration fee of \$30 is required for each child. Tuition will be due on the first Monday / Tuesday class of every month.

At least once a month all classes will meet together on Fridays for special events, parties, guest speakers, or field trips. Parents and other adults are encouraged to come on these "special" days. There is no extra charge for these "special" days.

Parents will be asked to provide snacks on a rotating schedule. This will be about every other month, providing it is a full class. Some snack suggestions are: crackers, pretzels, cereal, etc. and a drink. The preschool will provide cups and napkins.

The school does not provide transportation, however car-pooling is encouraged. Anyone interested in making car-pooling arrangements may do so, please be sure to inform the teachers of any new arrangements. A class list will be distributed to all families. The list will have contact information.

Attached you will find our schedule for the 2011-2012 Happy Harbor Preschool school year, please note that we DO NOT follow the Warrior Run School District calendar. However, we will follow the Warrior Run School District delays & closings due to weather conditions. If there is a 2 hour school delay, preschool will run from 10am-12:30pm. If Warrior Run has a closing, the preschool will be closed for that day. There will be no snow make-up days; extra days have already been added into the calendar.

We will have an Orientation in early September where families can come with their child, see the preschool, talk with the teachers, and get acquainted with other children in the class. Monday/Wednesday class Orientation is on September 7, 2011 and Tuesday/Thursday class Orientation is September 8, 2011. All Orientations are from 6:30pm - 8:00pm. There will also be a Family Dinner in January and an End Of Year Program with Graduation in May.

We strive to reach out to the families in our community by offering a much-needed ministry in our area. The program will focus on academic skills, social skills and biblical teachings. This will give children an opportunity to become better prepared for kindergarten. Preschool openings will be filled on a first come first serve basis.

The preschool operates as an outreach ministry of the Watsonstown United Methodist Church. The preschool is funded mainly through monthly tuition, fund-raising, donations and grant moneys. Fund-raising, donations and grants will be used for purchasing supplies and equipment. Monthly tuition is used to pay staff, furnish consumable supplies, and pay a monthly stipend to the church for utilities, insurance premiums and use of the copier machine. The preschool is a non-profit organization.

Happy Harbor Preschool Class Schedule

3 YEAR OLD SCHEDULE

8:30 - 9:00 Free Play
9:00 - 9:15 Devotion/Sing/Prayer
9:15 - 9:30 Restroom/Hand Washing
9:30 - 9:45 Grace & Snack
9:45 - 10:15 Circle and Story
10:15 - 11:15 Learning Stations
11:15 - 11:30 Gross Motor

PRE-K SCHEDULE

8:30 - 8:45 Manipulative
8:45 - 9:00 Devotion/Sing/Prayer
9:00 - 9:30 Free Play/Restroom
9:30 - 10:00 Circle/Story
10:00 - 10:15 Grace & Snack
10:15 - 11:15 Learning Stations
11:15 - 11:30 Gross Motor

Free Play - A time for children to interact with their peers. This will take place in the nursery.

Manipulative – Children will be given small learning activities to do. These will focus on sequencing, sorting, counting, and more. This is also a time when teachers will work one on one with students.

Devotion/Sing/Prayer - We will read daily bible devotion and have a class discussion. Then sing a bible song and have a word of prayer.

Snack - Children are dismissed by practicing name recognition in the form of a game. They will then wait their turn in line to wash hands for snack. After that they will find a seat and wait for all of their friends to be seated. At this time we will do a Grace and then the children may eat their snack.

Circle & Story – Daily we will discuss the weather outside and update our calendar. The "Student Of The Day" will hold the American Flag as we say the Pledge of Allegiance and sing My Country Tis' Of Thee. We will then discuss our theme unit for the day and read a story that pertains to that topic.

Learning Stations - Children will be broken up into four groups and move from station to station every 10 minutes.

Station 1 Alphabet, Station 2 “Math”, Station 3 Craft/Project, Station 4 Sensory Table

Gross Motor/ Song - This will be a time for them to get up and move! We follow instructional movements from music. This will also be a time for singing preschool songs. If time allows, students may also go to the gym or outside play yard.

Departure – Children put on their coats and then have a seat on the floor with their totebag. Students will work on putting their own coat on and zipper independently. When all of the children are ready, they are dismissed by name to the parents.