



# Wadena-Deer Creek Preschool Handbook 2023-2024



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WDC Elementary 215 Colfax Ave SW | Wadena, Minnesota

*A nurturing place for your child*

### All children enrolled in Preschool:

- Must be age 3 by September 1st for 3's class and age 4 by September 1st for 4's class
- Must have completed immunization form on file
- Must have completed Early Childhood Screening

If you need an appointment for an Early Childhood Screening, please contact Wadena County Public Health at 218-631-7629

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### Class Schedule

#### 3-year-olds

##### Monday and Wednesday

- Morning Session: 8:05 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
- Afternoon Session: 12:00 p.m. - 2:50 p.m.

#### 4-year-olds

##### Half Day Program

##### Monday thru Thursday

- Morning Session: 8:05 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
- Afternoon Session: 12:00 p.m. - 2:50 p.m.

##### Full Day Program

Monday and Wednesday 8:05 a.m. - 2:50 p.m.

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Thursday and Friday 8:05 a.m. - 2:50 p.m.

### Program Schedule

Classes Begin: Monday, September 18th

Winter Break: December 22nd - January 1st

Classes Resume: Tuesday, January 2nd

Last Day of Preschool: Thursday, May 23rd

*Full calendar can be found on our website.*



### Closing/Dismissal

Procedures for school closings, late starts and early releases are as follows:

- If WDC Schools are closed, Preschool is also closed
- If WDC Schools are two hours late:
  - There will be NO morning preschool
  - Full day preschool will begin the same time as K-12 students
- If WDC Schools have an early dismissal:
  - There will be NO afternoon preschool
  - Full day preschool will release the same time as K-12 students

School cancellations are announced via JMC messaging system, Radio, TV, school website and Facebook.

### Dress

Preschool classes try to spend time outside every day! Students should wear and bring appropriate clothing for the weather. Dressing in layers is a great idea during the fall and spring months!

All outdoor clothing such as hats, scarves, mittens, coats, snow pants and boots must be labeled with the

student's name.

## Health

Parents/guardians will conduct the following COVID-19 health screening each morning from home before sending their child to preschool. Check your child's temperature and answer YES or NO to the following questions:

- New cough?
- Shortness of breath?
- Chills?
- Body aches?
- Sore throat?
- Headache?
- Loss of taste or smell?



Students with any of the above symptoms and/or a temperature of 100 degrees or greater must not come to preschool.

Additional guidelines for keeping your child home from school include if they have had any of the following symptoms within the last 24 hours:

- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- New, undiagnosed rash
- Pus-like eye drainage
- Symptoms of severe illness such as unusual fatigue, uncontrolled cough or difficulty breathing
- Contagious illness requiring school exclusion

Students must be fever-free without fever-reducing medication for 24 hours before returning to school.

If your child will be absent from school, please notify your child's teacher and the bus garage (if applicable).

## Transportation

Preschool children ages 3-5 are allowed to ride the regular bus on the morning and afternoon routes. There is also a limited midday transportation available on WDC buses.

Transportation to and from Little Kids Club (at M|State) is also available.

*Please note: only one pickup and one dropoff location per child is permitted.*



## Tuition

Cost for preschool is divided into nine equal payments.

- Payments are not based on attendance or number of school days (i.e.: not prorated)
- First payment is due the first day of school. All other payments are due the first day of each month.
- Statements are NOT sent out. Parents/guardians are responsible for sending payments timely.
- Payments may be made in the Elementary office or sent to school with your child.
- Checks should be made out to WDC Preschool

Complete the form below and return with your child's Registration Form.

Wadena-Deer Creek Public Schools 2023 – 2024  
Preschool Payment Form

Parent Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

**Payment Schedule:** Check the fee that pertains to you and your child. Please feel free to call if you need assistance tabulating your fee. Patti Isaacson, Preschool Director, 218.632.2364.

Income	3-yr-olds (2 half days)	4/5-yr-olds (4 half days)	4/5-yr-olds (2 full days)
0-\$15,000	_____ \$15/mo	_____ \$20/mo	_____ \$40/mo
\$30,000	_____ \$40/mo	_____ \$50/mo	_____ \$70/mo
\$40,000	_____ \$65/mo	_____ \$85/mo	_____ \$105/mo
\$50,000	_____ \$75/mo	_____ \$105/mo	_____ \$125/mo
\$60,000	_____ \$90/mo	_____ \$125/mo	_____ \$145/mo
\$70,000	_____ \$100/mo	_____ \$140/mo	_____ \$160/mo
\$80,000	_____ \$110/mo	_____ \$140/mo	_____ \$160/mo





## In Preschool, your child will learn to...

- Work and play in a group
- Take turns
- Share
- Be polite
- Plan what we will do
- Lead and follow
- Talk before a group...and listen
- Be responsible for completing work
- Use new words
- Dictate stories for the teacher to write
- Count objects and learn the numerals
- Identify differences in colors, sizes, shapes, and sounds
- Beginning skills for reading, writing, math, science, social studies, and music



*We look forward to another great year at WDC!*

