

Preschool classes
for children ages
2½ to 5 years old
as of September 1
and their parents.

2018 - 2019



Mounds View Early Childhood Preschool



Early Childhood
EDUCATION
Mounds View Public Schools

www.moundviewschools.org
651-621-7420



Welcome

Mounds View Schools offer outstanding preschool classes from **September 10, 2018 to May 31, 2019**. Three locations in New Brighton and Shoreview house the Early Childhood Preschool. Children ages 2½ to 5 years old are supported in developing positive self-images which lead to gaining the confidence, independence, and social skills needed to become successful learners.

The preschool classrooms and activities provide a variety of fun learning experiences in science, art, dramatic play, music, sensory experiences, large and small muscle development, language, literacy, and math. Early Childhood preschool classes are offered in collaboration with the Early Childhood Special Education program. Children who are developing typically and those with special needs play and learn together.

Preschool Parents Information Nights

Parents are invited to come hear about our preschool philosophy, learning activities and parent education opportunities.

JANUARY 30 6:30-7:30 pm
Snail Lake Education Center

or

FEBRUARY 1 6:30-7:30 pm
Early Childhood Education Center

Registration begins at
8:00 am on February 6!

Preschool Registration

Online registration for 2018-2019 Preschool classes begins on February 6, 2018 at 8 am. **Families are enrolled on a first come, first served basis according to the TIME of registration.** Priority placement goes to families enrolled in Early Childhood classes anytime from June 2017 to the present. To receive priority consideration, current families **must enroll on February 6.** Confirmation emails will be sent to everyone on or before February 15. *** See more details on the registration insert. ***

Bus Transportation Some preschool classes offer optional bus transportation for a fee.

OPTIONAL BUSING has location boundaries and requires a separate registration in April.

A letter will arrive in March 2018 with instructions for this process. For classes that offer busing, children attending **PLEC** or **ECEC** for preschool must reside in or attend daycare in the *Bel Air, Pinewood, Sunnyside, or Valentine Hills* Schools attendance area. Children attending **SLEC** for preschool must reside in or attend daycare in the *Island Lake or Turtle Lake* Schools attendance area. To determine your child's school attendance area, go to www.moundsviewschools.org, click on the *Enroll* tab, then click on *Attendance Maps*. You can now fill in your home address and the site will list your schools' attendance areas.

Before/After Preschool Childcare

Trained paraprofessionals provide childcare for children enrolled in preschool classes. Childcare is offered Monday through Friday **at ECEC** from 7:00 - 9:40 am & 4:20 - 6:00 pm and **at SLEC** from 7:00 - 9:50 am & 4:30 - 6 pm. Childcare is offered only on days that preschool classes meet. Cost is \$20/day for before preschool childcare (breakfast is included) and \$10/day for after preschool childcare. Online childcare registration begins August 15, 2018.

Preschool Locations

PLEC: Pike Lake Education Center
2101 14th St NW, New Brighton

ECEC: Early Childhood Education Center
500 10th St NW, New Brighton

SLEC: Snail Lake Education Center
350 Highway 96 West, Shoreview

Early Childhood Education Center New Brighton

6200 First Friends M
 2½ yrs old by Sept 1
 9:45 - 11:45 am ECEC 16
 In Jan. 2019, **Wednesdays**
 are added as a children only
 day. Both Mon and Wed will
 have extended class time:
 9:45 am - 12:15 pm
Parent Day: every Mon
 \$50 registration fee *
 \$90/month preschool
 \$30/month sibling childcare

6201 First Friends TH
 2½ yrs old by Sept 1
 9:45 - 11:45 am ECEC 16
 In Jan. 2019 **Tuesdays** are
 added as a children only day.
 Both Tue and Thurs will have
 extended class time:
 9:45 am - 12:15 pm
Parent Day: every Thurs
 \$50 registration fee *
 \$90/month preschool
 \$30/month sibling childcare

6300 Side by Side 3s
 3 yrs old by Sept 1 **T/TH**
 9:40am-12:25pm ECEC 38
Parent Day: 2 Tues/month
 \$75 registration fee *
 \$135/month preschool
 \$18/month sibling childcare

6301 Side by Side 3s
 (optional bus) **M,T,TH**
 3 yrs old by Sept 1
 1:35 - 4:20 pm ECEC 16
Parent Day: 3 Family Nights
 \$100 registration fee *
 \$195/month preschool
 \$225/year bus (optional)

6400 Side by Side 4s
 4 yrs old by Sept 1 **M,W,F**
 9:40am-12:25pm ECEC 38
Parent Day: 2 Mon/month
 \$100 registration fee *
 \$195/month preschool
 \$18/month sibling childcare

6401 Side by Side 4s
 (optional bus) **M,T,W,TH**
 4 yrs old by Sept 1
 1:35 - 4:20 pm ECEC 38
Parent Day: 3 Family Nights
 \$100 registration fee *
 \$280/month preschool
 \$225/year bus (optional)

6402 Side by Side 4's
Optional 5th day/wk
for students in #6401
 1:35-4:20 pm ECEC 38 **F**
 \$30/month preschool
 No additional registration fee.
 No additional fee for bus.

Early Childhood Screening
 All children must complete Early Childhood Screening before entrance to Kindergarten in Minnesota.
 If your child is 3 1/2 to 4 years old and has not been screened, please call to make an appointment for your child's free screening. 651-621-7421

6000 Adventures in Learning (AIL)
 (optional bus) **T/TH**
 3½-5 years old by Sept 1
 9:40 am - 4:20 pm ECEC 32
Parent Day: 3 Family Nights
 \$150 registration fee *
 \$310/month preschool
 \$225/year bus (optional)

6001 Adventures in Learning (AIL)
 (optional bus) **M,W,F**
 3½-5 years old by Sept 1
 9:40am - 4:20p ECEC 32
Parent Day: 3 Family Nights
 \$150 registration fee *
 \$430/month preschool
 \$225/year bus (optional)

6002 Adventures in Learning (AIL)
 (optional bus) **M - F**
 3½-5 years old by Sept 1
 9:40am-4:20pm ECEC 40
Parent Day: 3 Family Nights
 \$150 registration fee *
 \$710/month preschool
 \$225/year bus (optional)

Children enrolled in AIL classes must be toilet trained.

Pike Lake Education Center New Brighton

6405 Side by Side 4s
 (optional bus) **M,T,W,TH**
 4 yrs old by Sept 1
 1:35 - 4:20 pm PLEC 2
Parent Day: 3 Family Nights
 \$100 registration fee *
 \$280/month preschool
 \$225/year bus (optional)

6500 Side by Side 3½-5s
 (optional bus) **M,W,F**
 3½-5 yrs old by Sept 1
 9:40 am - 12:25 pm PLEC 2
Parent Day: 3 Family Nights
 \$100 registration fee *
 \$195/month preschool
 \$225/year bus (optional)

6501 Side by Side 3½-5s
 (optional bus) **M,W,TH**
 3½-5 yrs old by Sept 1
 1:35 - 4:20 pm PLEC 1
Parent Day: 3 Family Nights
 \$100 registration fee *
 \$195/month preschool
 \$225/year bus (optional)

*** Registration fees for all classes are nonrefundable.**



Snail Lake Education Center Shoreview

6205 First Friends Tues
2½ yrs old by Sept 1 SLEC 113
 9:45 - 11:45 am *Parent Day: every Tues*
 In Jan 2019, Thursdays are added as a children only day. Both Tues and Thurs have extended class times in 2019:
 9:45 am - 12:15 pm
 \$50 registration fee *
 \$90/month preschool
 \$30/month sibling childcare

6206 First Friends Tues
2½ yrs old by Sept 1 SLEC 113
 12:45 - 2:45 pm *Parent Day: every Tues*
 In Jan 2019, Fridays are added as a children only day. Both Tues and Fri will have extended class times in 2019:
 12:45 - 3:15 pm
 \$50 registration fee *
 \$90/month preschool
 \$30/month sibling childcare



6305 Side by Side 3s T/TH
3 yrs old by Sept 1 SLEC 105
 9:50 am - 12:35 pm
Parent Day: 2 Tues/month
 \$75 registration fee *
 \$135/month preschool
 \$18/month sibling childcare

6306 Side by Side 3s (optional bus) M,W,TH
3 yrs old by Sept 1 SLEC 113
 1:50 - 4:30pm
Parent Day: 3 Family Nights
 \$100 registration fee *
 \$195/month preschool
 \$225/year bus (optional)

6505 Side by Side 3½-5s (optional bus) M, W, TH
3½-5 yrs old by Sept 1 SLEC 106
 1:50 - 4:30 pm
Parent Day: 3 Family Nights
 \$100 registration fee *
 \$195/month preschool
 \$225/year bus (optional)

6408 Side by Side 4s M,W,TH
4 yrs old by Sept 1 SLEC 106
 9:50 am - 12:35 pm
Parent Day: 2 Mon/month
 \$100 registration fee *
 \$195/month preschool
 \$18/month sibling childcare

6409 Side by Side 4s (optional bus) M,T,W,TH
4 yrs old by Sept 1 SLEC 107
 1:50 - 4:30 pm
Parent Day: 3 Family Nights
 \$100 registration fee *
 \$280/month preschool
 \$225/year bus (optional)

Registration fees for all classes are non-refundable.

Children attending ALL Classes must be toilet trained.

6005 Adventures in Learning (AIL) (optional bus) T/TH
3½-5 yrs old by Sept 1 SLEC 108
 9:50 am - 4:30 pm
Parent Day: 3 Family Nights
 \$150 registration fee *
 \$310/month preschool
 \$225/year bus (optional)

6007 Adventures in Learning (AIL) (optional bus) M,W,F
3½-5 yrs old by Sept 1 SLEC 108
 9:50 am - 4:30 pm
Parent Day: 3 Family Nights
 \$150 registration fee *
 \$430/month preschool
 \$225/year bus (optional)

6009 Adventures in Learning (AIL) (optional bus) M - F
3½-5 yrs old by Sept SLEC 108
 9:50 am - 4:30 pm
Parent Day: 3 Family Nights
 \$150 registration fee *
 \$710/month preschool
 \$225/year bus (optional)

6006 Adventures in Learning (AIL) (optional bus) T/TH
3½-5 yrs old by Sept 1 SLEC 109
 9:50 am - 4:30 pm
Parent Day: 3 Family Nights
 \$150 registration fee *

6008 Adventures in Learning (AIL) (optional bus) M,W,F
3½-5 yrs old by Sept 1 SLEC 109
 9:50 am - 4:30 pm
Parent Day: 3 Family Nights
 \$150 registration fee *
 \$430/month preschool

6010 Adventures in Learning (AIL) (optional bus) M - F
3½-5 yrs by Sept 1 SLEC 109
 9:50 am - 4:30 pm
Parent Day: 3 Family Nights
 \$150 registration fee *
 \$710/month preschool
 \$225/year bus

MV Early Childhood Preschool Registration Checklist

Registration for Early Childhood classes are completed on line. The following steps and tips should make this process easier for you. Welcome to our program.

BEFORE you go to your computer:

1. Attend one of the Preschool Parent Information Nights.
January 30 at the Snail Lake Education Center
February 1 at the Early Childhood Education Center
2. Review this Early Childhood Preschool Brochure to select classes that interest you. Note the class numbers and names and locations of the classes, including your second and third choices. If you want bus transportation, be sure to register for the preschool location connected to your home school.
3. Gather information you will need to complete registration. Your account name and password, and credit card or bank information.
If you are a family new to our program, you will need to create an account. Details at the bottom of this page.

On Registration Day:

1. Go to: www.moundsvIEWSchools.org
2. Under the "Schools" tab, choose Early Childhood.
3. From the list on the left side, choose *online registration*.
4. On the welcome page, click on the blue "sign in" button at top right. Enter your email address and pass word.
5. Click on "Explore All Programs", then select *Preschool* from the menu on the left, then the *Learn More* button.
6. Browse courses (classes) and sections (class numbers). Select the Enroll Now button for your first choice for the lottery registration. You will be given the option to select up to two additional class choices.
7. Select the child you are registering and click "*Enroll selected people in the lottery*".
8. The registration will be placed in your shopping cart.
9. You will see the option to *Checkout* or to *continue shopping*. If you would like to enter a second and third choice of classes for this child or have another child to enroll in a class then click *continue shopping*.
10. To finalize the lottery registration, select your shopping cart and checkout. Enter a payment method (Visa, MasterCard, Discover or bank account information) for the nonrefundable registration fee. **Your account will not be charged until your child is placed into a class.** You will receive a confirmation email that your child is placed into the lottery (waiting pool). A second email will provide class placement information and a payment receipt.

Important Tips

The computer will tell you that you are registering in a lottery. Using this process is what allows you to enter second and third choices.

However, registration is first come, first serve and based on the TIME that you register. That is why we recommend that you sign on to the website and be ready to register a few minutes prior to the 8:00 am registration opening.

You will NOT be able to register before 8:00 am.

The computer system uses the word "course" to label the type of class. (e.g. Side by Side 3s, First Friends, and so on.) Then it will list "sections" which are the same as our class numbers. (e.g. 6300, 6505)

How to Create an Account

Follow steps 1—3 from the list under "On Registration Day".

At this point, you will be asked to sign in or to create an account.

Click create account and you will be guided to create an account for yourself and a profile for each child you want to register.

MV's Early Childhood Program has a 4 Star Rating!

Parent Aware is a Non-Profit Organization dedicated to inspiring educators and assisting parents in finding top-of-the-line programs for their children. Parent Aware's Star Ratings (0 - 4 stars) help parents find programs that go above and beyond to prepare children for school and life and improves, supports and celebrates the strengths of child care and early education programs.

Stars are based on a thorough assessment of the following areas:

- Child Development and Learning
 - * Creating Positive Learning Experiences
 - * Promoting Cognitive Development
 - * Promoting Social and Emotional Development
 - * Promoting Physical Development
 - * Promoting Creative Development
- Relationships with Families
- Observing, Recording and Assessing Development and using that information to plan for teaching and enhancing and maintain program quality.
- Historical and Contemporary Development of Early Childhood Education
- Professionalism
- Establishing Healthy Practices and ensuring safety and healthy nutrition
- Application through Clinical Experiences

**Parent
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Parent Involvement

Studies show that parent involvement is the most important factor in predicting a child's success in school.

Several options are available within our program for parents to attend class and to learn with other parents: weekly, 2 days/month, or 3 times during the school year. A typical "parenting day" consists of parent-child activity time and separate sessions for children and parents. We make it easy for parents to attend by offering sibling childcare on most parent days.

Parents attend scheduled parent-teacher conferences twice a year. Parents are encouraged to stay in contact with teachers and may request additional conferences. Home visits and parent education consultations are also available.

Parent Education Classes are ... group discussions that encourage parents to learn from each other as well as from the parent education teacher. The teacher will blend information and support, encourage parents to share their worries and their joys, and include everyone in brain-storming parenting ideas. Sprinkled with fun and humor (so important in parents' lives), the teacher will bring in research-based information on topics such as: developmental stages, parenting styles, guidance strategies, the importance of movement, developing trust, and cultural values and family interactions.

Our "PAC" - Parent Advisory Committee - consists of... parents who are interested in supporting our program and building community. In addition to providing valuable feedback on program design, the group facilitates program-wide events and fundraisers. The Valentine Dance is particularly popular as is the Vehicle Fair and Create-a-Plate event. New members? Always welcome!

Mounds View also offers:

Play and Learn Preschool...

a reduced tuition program for families meeting income guidelines. Fees include bus transportation. Call Sharon Savard at 651-621-7422 for information and an application form.

Preschool Observation Visit

Parents who wish to observe pre school can schedule a visit by calling our office. 651-621-7420.

The (FRC) Family Resource Centers

Located at SLEC and ECEC, the Family Resource Centers offer free loans of parenting books, children's books, and toys.

Use the FRC to expand your knowledge and support your child's learning. We have toys that teach and 1000's of books to build literacy skills and strong emotional bonds as parents and children read together. Questions? Call Leanne Sponsel at 651-621-7361.

Preschool Curriculum

Our curriculum is aligned with Mounds View K-12 curriculum and is taught by teachers licensed by the MN State Department of Education.

In addition to activities from the curriculums, children have time to learn through free play - the most effective, enjoyable way for children to learn:

- * language skills as they play games, converse, sing songs.
- * thinking skills as they construct blocks, work on puzzles, & join in problem-solving.
- * small muscle skills when they string beads or make play dough shapes.
- * large muscle skills while throwing balls, riding bikes, and running.
- * creative skills as they make up stories, paint, or move to music.
- * social skills as they play games, role play, and take turns.