



Christ Lutheran Preschool

2024-2025 CLASSES



Please note that a child only moves to a new class in the fall.

As a Christian based Preschool, the spiritual development of the child is an important part of our curriculum. In addition to learning prayers and songs, the classes will meet with the Pastor through the year. Introduction to Bible stories will be through videos, books, songs, and art activities. Most importantly, each child will learn of the love that Jesus has for each of us.

Christ Lutheran Preschool is a **Five Star (the highest) Step Up to Quality rated center**. The Step Up to Quality program is a tiered quality rating and improvement system for licensed early learning and development programs in our state. We have smaller teacher to student ratios than the state requires, our staff has high education qualifications, our lesson plans reflect the state education standards, and our staff receives continuous training to better support your child's development and learning among the other things we do to provide your child with a solid foundation for success in school and life.

The preschool program for all age groups is in an atmosphere of structured play. Although the individual programs differ in content and the amount of structure, they are all designed to help the children develop spiritually, socially, emotionally, intellectually, and physically.

We use the **Foundations Pre-K Activity Set** in our classes as a part of our literacy program. It is the same program that the Avon Lake City Schools used in their preschool and at the kindergarten level. Emphasis is on letter recognition, letter-sound correspondence, and letter formation. More information about this fun and interactive program is at www.wilsonlanguage.com/pre-k.

LUNCH BUDDIES: Lunch Buddies takes place during the hour between the morning and the afternoon classes (11:30 am-12:30 pm) in one of our classrooms and is supervised by our staff members. Children bring their own peanut free lunch and a drink, eat with their friends, and then enjoy free play, recess, and a story before going home or staying for their afternoon class. The cost is \$6.00 per day and participation is voluntary. **Children in the 2 ½ year old classes are not eligible for the Lunch Buddies program.** Sign- up sheets are on the bulletin board in the north hall.

CHILD MEDICALS: A Health Care Practitioner must examine each child yearly, per state law. Each child must have a valid signed medical form and a list of their immunizations on file. All children must have the immunizations listed in the Ohio Revised Code, unless they are medically contraindicated or not medically appropriate for the child's age.

2 ½ YEAR OLD CLASSES

2 ½ year old classes are for children who are at least 30 months of age before their first day of school. Children in this class do not need to be toilet trained, but families supply diapers, pull-ups, underwear, and extra clothing as well as wipes. Teachers will encourage, in conjunction with the family's efforts at home, the child to use the restroom during class.



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2 ½ Year Old Classes continued:

There will be a maximum of 7 children in the class with 1 lead teacher and an assistant. In class the children will do art projects, eat a snack, have a short group time, listen to stories, engage in free play and outdoor or gym time. Taking turns, sharing, and taking directions from the teacher are among the social skills that they will practice. Academically, an introduction to shapes, colors, letters, numbers, and name recognition will be part of the class experience.

3-YEAR-OLD CLASSES

Children in a three-year-old class must be 3 years old and toilet trained before their first day of class.

There is a sink and a bathroom in the classroom so the child will always have access to the facilities.

There will be a maximum of 18 students with one lead teacher and an assistant teacher.

The class day will include a group circle time, art projects, free play, gym or playground time, snack, and stories. Academics will include colors, shapes, numbers, math and science concepts, an introduction to the names and sounds of letters using the Foundations Pre-K Activity Set, as well as beginning to print their name during the second half of the school year. The classroom schedule has short and varied activities to meet the child's attention span.

BLENDED CLASS: This afternoon class will consist of 3- and 4-year-olds as well as the Full Day Pre-K students. The children registered in this class must be 3 years old by Aug. 1, 2024. There will be a maximum of 18 students with one lead teacher and an assistant teacher. Group time, the Foundations Pre-K Activity set, art projects, gym or outdoor playtime, stories, free play, math, science, and music activities will all be a part of the class day.

PRE-KINDERGARTEN CLASSES

Our pre-K classes will have a maximum of 20 students with one lead teacher and an assistant teacher and their focus is to help prepare the child to enter kindergarten. Emphasis is on listening skills and following directions as these are especially important for a successful kindergarten experience. Activities include using the Foundations Pre-K Activity Set, math and science concepts, free play, music, gym or outdoor playtime, story time, guest classroom visitors, and special emphasis weeks. Children will try new things and to do as much as they can do on their own to develop confidence in their ability.

NOTE: To enroll in the 2 Day Pre-K class, a child must be four by Dec. 31, 2024.

Students should be 4 before August 1, 2024, to attend the 3- or 4-day pre-k classes.

FULL DAY PRESCHOOL OPTION: Full day preschool students attend both the AM 4 Day Pre-K class and the afternoon Blended class. Only children registered for the full day choice will attend class on Monday afternoon as the regular Blended class is Tuesday through Thursday. Students will eat lunch during our Lunch Buddies program from 11:30-12:30 and then be escorted to the Blended classroom. Note: The Lunch Buddies fee is in the full day tuition cost.