

General Information about Stanberry R-II Preschool

Purpose of the Program:

Our preschool program is federally funded and provides services to preschoolers and their parents that live in our district. The preschoolers must qualify through test scores, behavior checklists, teacher recommendation (Parents as First Teachers) and / or special needs. At the present time, we have an open-door policy that allows all age-appropriate students to attend.

As part of our program, parents must agree to participate through home visits, program participation (committee work, visits to the classroom, assisting the teacher with field trips...) and to attend parent education meetings.

Description of the Program:

Screening: In the spring, before your child begins and exits preschool, your child will be given the DIAL-3 screening test. The DIAL-3 screening screens the areas of concepts, motor, and Language. There is also a DIAL-3 Parent Questionnaire for parent's to fill out upon entering the program. The Parent Questionnaire provides us with information concerning your child's development in these areas: personal/medical, self-help development, social development, and overall development. The DIAL-3 screening test can help identify if your child's skills are appropriate for his or her age or if further testing may be needed. This information can help you plan your child's education and, if necessary, begin to look at any special needs that he or she may have at home or in the school setting.

Class size will be limited because of their age. In most cases, we are able to grant the parents' request for a particular session; however, we may have to make adjustments. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Class Hours: Classes will run from Tuesday – Friday each week. The morning session will begin at 8:30 AM and end at 11:15 AM; the afternoon session will begin at 12:15 PM and end at 3:00 PM.

Home / school visits will be on Mondays. The teacher, along with the parents, will schedule two visits; one home visit in the fall and one school visit in the spring. These visits are scheduled to work with your schedule as much as possible. Each visit will be approximately 30-45 minutes.

Parent meetings will be held throughout the year and you will be notified through newsletters. Parents suggested topics of interest and speakers may be scheduled. It is our goal to present parents with information that is useful in raising preschool-age children. Some meetings may include participation of the children and are designed for parents to have fun with their child and other parents with children the same age.

Supply List:

- 1 big boxes of Kleenex (pop up kind please)
- 1 complete (seasonal) change of clothes. These will be kept in their backpack.
- Boys = 1 box of 3 ounce Dixie cups
- Girls = 1 container of disinfectant wipes



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Arrival & Departure:

Arrival time should coincide with class beginning time. **Morning preschool begins at 8:15 am.** Children may enter the school building using the south doors or the “kindergarten” doors. They are to sit outside our classroom door until dismissed by the teacher on hall duty. During “hall” time, students will be discussing character traits, singing songs, and saying the Pledge. **Afternoon preschool begins at 12:15 pm.** You may enter through the south doors and go directly to the classroom as long as there is a teacher in the room. **Parents, please do not park in the bus zone from 8-8:30 am or 2:45-3:15 pm. Thank you.**

Morning preschool children will be escorted out the “kindergarten” doors for pick up at 11:15am. Parents and caregivers may wait in their vehicles until we are dismissed. If parents have not come to pick up their preschooler by 11:30, they will need to pick them up from the Elementary Office.

Afternoon preschool children, **not riding the bus**, may be picked up from our classroom by siblings or caregivers. **Bus riders** will be escorted to their bus until they are comfortable getting on the bus on their own. Children not picked up by 3:15 pm may be picked up in the elementary office.

Daily Schedule:

Preschool classes are held TUESDAY through FRIDAY each week. Mondays are reserved for home visits, planning... Our day will be divided into the following blocks of time:

- Meeting/circle time (30minutes)
- Story Time (30 minutes)
- Restroom Break (10minutes)
- Snack time (15 minutes)
- Centers (30 minutes)
- Recess (20 minutes)
- Restroom Break (10 minutes)
- Math / Social skills (30 minutes)



Preschool Daily Schedule

Morning Preschool

8:15-8:30 Meeting time

8:30-9:00 Show and Share, Sign in / Books, puzzles, journals, cutting

9:00-9:30 Rectangle time/ Charts, literacy, activity

9:30-10:00 Center time (dramatic play, blocks, sand/water...)

10:00-10:15 Snack / Story time

10:15-10:35 Recess / gross motor play

10:35-11:00 Math / Science / Social Emotional

11:15 Dismissal

Afternoon Schedule

12:15-12:30 Meeting time

12:30-1:00 Show and Share / Sign in / Books, puzzles, journals, cutting

1:00-1:30 Rectangle time/ Charts, literacy, activity

1:30-2:00 Center time (dramatic play, blocks, sand/water...)

2:00-2:15 Snack / Story time

2:15-2:35 Recess / gross motor play

2:35-3:00 Math / Science / Social Emotional

3:05 Dismissal

Class Rules:

The first week of class we will be comparing rules from home to rules at school. The children will help develop "Friendship Rules" for our school community. These will be posted in the classroom and parent newsletter. Please review the rules with your child.

Show & Share: Please watch weekly newsletters for what to bring for show and share.

Snacks & Milk:

Preschoolers will be able to purchase milk each day. Money can be sent in for the entire week or month, and should be placed inside an envelope with your child's name and account number on the outside. Reminders will be sent home when your child needs more money in their account.

Home visits & Parent Meetings:

Home visits and parent meetings are an important part of the preschool program. There will be one home visit in the fall, and in the spring, parents are asked to bring their child to the school for a visit. Also, a minimum of four parent meetings will be planned throughout the year. Please take part in these events☺!

The **home visit and spring school visit** will be approximately 30-45 minutes in length. Most activities are designed to strengthen academic & social skills.

Parent meetings will be approximately one hour in length. We are always open to suggestions from our parents for program ideas that interest you so let me know if you have a topic you want to cover.

If you have any questions, feel free to call the school at 783-2141 or, my home number is 660-937-3541 cell number is 660-235-0004.

I am looking forward to a great year ☺

Sincerely,

Mrs. Gard

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Preschool Room Party

Sign-up sheet

Please write your name and phone number below the holiday you are interested in helping with. Thank you!

Halloween: 

Christmas: 

Valentine's Day: 

Your child will be learning how to write their first and last names and possible other family names 😊

This is how I want my child to write their:

First name: _____

Last name: _____

Mom's Name: _____

Dad's Name: _____

The phone number I want your child to learn is:

_____-_____-_____

Walking Field Trips:

My child may walk in town, for an occasional field trip, with a teacher:

Parent's signature: _____

How to contact you: 😊

Parent's e-mail _____

Phone number I can text messages to: _____

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HANDBOOK



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