

Charlie Brown Preschool Information

Preschool information for 4-year olds:

- Charlie Brown Preschool for four year olds is an official satellite classroom for Mason City Public Schools and Clear Lake Public Schools; Voluntary Preschool Program.
- *Voluntary Preschool at Charlie Brown is free.*
- Classes are Monday through Friday from 9:00am to 11:30am at all locations and Monday through Friday from 12:15pm to 2:45pm at the Mason City locations only.
- Teachers are required to have a BA in Early Childhood Education.
- Children can be enrolled any time before October 1st.
- Class size is limited to 20 per class.
- Children who are or will be 4 years old by September 15th will be accepted on a first come basis.
- Each preschool student must have a birth certificate.

Preschool information for 3-year olds:

- Tuition is \$264.00 per month.
- Preschool is M-F 8:30-12:30 and includes breakfast and lunch.
- Qualified teachers on staff.
- Preschool curriculum is “Creative Curriculum.”
- Children attending the centers for child care receive preschool at no extra cost.

Three Locations:

- Washington Charlie Brown, 700 N. Washington Ave., Mason City
641-423-6029
- Lake Town Charlie Brown Preschool, 7 B So 8th St., Clear Lake
641-357-7277
- West Town Charlie Brown Preschool, 600 1st St. NW, Mason City
641-424-0065

Financial Assistance Available with qualifying income.

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Dear Families,

We would like to welcome you to our Preschool Program. Our Program is from 8:30am-12:30pm including breakfast and lunch, Monday through Friday. Instructional time is from 9:00am-11:00am. Charlie Brown Centers have Preschool rooms: ages 2-3 years, 3-4 years, & 4-5 years. The child's room placement is determined by the child's birth date of September 15th.

Each room has a college degreed staff with at least 15 hours of child care training. Each staff is certified in First Aid, Infant, Child, & Adult CPR, and Universal Precautions.

Our Preschool curriculum is a play based and creative curriculum of learning. Play helps a child learn about her/himself and what she/he can do; learn about others; and learn about her/his environment. Play helps to establish friendships and helps to express feelings. We incorporate Creative Curriculum from Quality Preschools Standards Training for our curriculum. Each week we center around one main study with activities that teach the seven domains of learning: language & literacy, mathematical thinking, scientific thinking, social skills, the arts, and small & large motor skills.

Each month we send home a brief newsletter and calendar describing what your child will be learning and any additional information you will need to know for that month. Three times during the year we will be sending home a checklist on your child's development: fall, winter, & spring. We offer conferences at these times as well. We will also be collecting projects throughout the year for a portfolio to show your child's growth.

In order to enhance each individual child's development, a variety of experiences are planned. We have several special events throughout the year such as celebration parties, seasonal musical performances, Grandparent's day, spring play, science fair, and graduation. Field trips are planned through out the year as well as community member presentations. We are a partner with the YMCA in the "Kid Fit Program" which meets every week for extra fitness.

Our Preschool program has an open door policy and we encourage you to visit as much as you wish. We believe that the key to developing a program for young children is frequent communication between parents and center to benefit us all.

We believe that a quality program for young children should promote and maintain growth in self worth of each child. It is our goal to help the children in our care to become caring human beings.

If you would like any additional information, please let us know.

Thanks you so much for considering our program!