

SCHEDULE OF CLASSES

TWO 1 /2 YEAR OLDS

Child must be two by April 1.

A 2-day schedule is available.

THREE YEAR OLDS

Child must be three by October 1.

Both a 3-day and 4-day schedule is available.

THREE 1 /2 YEAR OLDS

Child must be three by April 1.

A 5-day schedule is available.

FOUR YEAR OLDS

Child must be four by October 1.

Both a 4-day and 5-day schedule is available.

FOUR 1 /2 – FIVE YEAR OLDS

Child must be four by April 1.

A 5-day schedule is available.

KINDERGARTEN

Child must be five by October 1.

Our kindergarten program runs 5-full days.

TUITION

Tuition for the 2022–2023 school term:

	Yearly
Two Day Class	\$3,130
Three Day Class	\$3,930
Four Day Class	\$4,895
Five Day Class	\$5,965
4 1/2 - 5 Year Class	\$6,930
Kindergarten	\$9,960

- A \$65 application fee is required for registration and is non-refundable.
- A 10% discount applies to a second, younger child attending concurrently.
- An 8% discount applies to pledging members of The Presbyterian Church in Westfield.
- Scholarship applications for preschool classes are available in the nursery school office. No scholarships are given for Kindergarten.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Tuition for the 2021–2022 school term is payable in five equal installments. A schedule will be sent with your acceptance.

Please note these important requirements:

- Kindergarten: 1st payment is due January 27th and is non-refundable upon receipt.
- All other classes: 1st payment is due March 1st and is non-refundable upon receipt.
- Second payment is non-refundable after May 31st.
- Tuition for 2022-2023 is non-refundable after February 1, 2023.
- Withdrawal during the school year requires written notice one month in advance.
- Double enrollment of a child is not permitted.

Presbyterian Nursery School



where children can be children...

and Kindergarten

2022–2023

Established in 1948

Celebrating 74 years

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OUR PROGRAM

PHILOSOPHY:

DISCOVERY THROUGH PLAY

The Presbyterian Nursery School and Kindergarten offers young children a loving, caring environment where they are guided to discover the world around them through PLAY, investigation, and inquisitive thought.

The children are encouraged to:

- Build a strong self-image
- Gain confidence in making decisions
- Develop positive relationships with others
- Utilize critical thinking skills

CURRICULUM: DAILY ACTIVITIES

The curriculum encompasses Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, Creative Arts, Music, and Social Studies by means of PLAY experiences. The curriculum meets or exceeds NJ standards for early childhood education. Time is incorporated into the daily schedule for exploration and discovery, creativity, dramatic play, music, block building, stories, and group circle time for the sharing of thoughts, ideas, and conversation.

HISTORY: 74 YEARS OF SERVICE

The Nursery School was founded in 1948 by The Presbyterian Church in Westfield. The School is licensed by the New Jersey Department of Human Services. Children are accepted into the School regardless of race, religion, or national or ethnic origin.

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Enrichment: Optional theme-based programs for 4-year old or kindergarten classes beginning in October.

Lunch Bunch: Optional socially based program for 2 1/2 and 3-year old classes beginning in October.

Special Times: 2-week outdoor program in June, for children completing PNS&K 2 1/2, 3, and 4-year old and kindergarten programs.

PTO: Active organization of parents who provide special activities for the children and their families during school hours, evenings and weekends.

TOPS (Time Out for Parents): One or two mornings per week childcare program for children between 3 months and 3 years.

A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR

“The Presbyterian Nursery School & Kindergarten is committed to providing a warm and secure place where children may discover who they are, what they can do, and how to develop the social skills needed to interact with others. The School’s curriculum is based on the NJ Standards and is implemented through hands-on experiences utilizing the vehicle of PLAY. We extend a warm welcome and invite you to visit our school.”

Jennifer Collum, Director

WHAT MAKES OUR SCHOOL STAND OUT

- ✓ **SMALL CLASS SIZES; OUTSTANDING TEACHER/CHILD RATIOS**
Two ½-Year Old Classes: Approx. 12 children – 1 Teacher, 1 Assistant 6:1
Three-Year Old Classes: Approx. 12 children – 1 Teacher, 1 Assistant 6:1
Four-Year Old Classes: Approx. 16 children – 1 Teacher, 1 Assistant 8:1
Kindergarten Classes: Approx. 16 children – 2 Teachers 8:1
- ✓ **STATE CERTIFIED HEAD TEACHERS IN EACH CLASS**
Masters or Bachelor Degree in Early Childhood/Elementary Education
Kindergarten Teachers trained in Orton Gillingham
- ✓ **HIGHLY QUALIFIED FULL TIME ASSISTANTS IN EACH CLASS**
Each with Bachelor or Associate Degree, or Child Development Associate Certificate – CDA
- ✓ **ADDITIONAL CHOICE OF CLASS FOR 2 1/2, 3 1/2 AND 4 ½-YEAR OLD CHILDREN**
- ✓ **STAFF NOTED FOR ESTABLISHING CARING RELATIONSHIPS WITH CHILDREN**
- ✓ **MUSIC PROGRAM**
Each class visits music teacher weekly in addition to classroom experiences
- ✓ **OUTSTANDING ENVIRONMENT**
Bright, spacious classrooms; outdoor playgrounds overlooking the pond of Mindowaskin Park: Mindowaskin Park for nature explorations and seasonal observations
- ✓ **PRIVATE DRIVEWAY OPTION FOR DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP OF CHILDREN**
- ✓ **TURTLE GARDEN**
Enclosed garden area inhabited year-round by box turtles
- ✓ **THREE OUTDOOR PLAYGROUNDS**
Structures for climbing, sliding, and upper-body muscular development; tricycles for riding; sandboxes for digging, and benches for socializing.
- ✓ **INDOOR PLAYROOM FOR INCLEMENT WEATHER**
Riding, sliding, climbing and balancing equipment as well as blocks, kitchen, and quiet areas.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Registration for the school year occurs during the month of January. Applications are available during January and must be returned to the Nursery School prior to the stated deadline. We will continue to accept applications as long as space permits.

A **non-refundable** fee of \$65.00 must accompany your application. Every effort is made to accommodate a parent’s first choice of class; however, random selection may be necessary if too many requests are made for a particular class time. Parents are notified by mail with an acceptance form as to their child’s class placement. In order to confirm a child’s placement, the acceptance form must be returned to the Nursery School Office with the first tuition payment. If no opening is available, a child is placed on a waitlist and will be contacted if openings or changes occur before September. Applications continue to be accepted throughout the school year.