



## OUR PHILOSOPHY:

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 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, music, stories, and group circle time for the sharing of thoughts, ideas, and conversation.

## OUR HISTORY: 75 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.

## WHAT MAKES OUR SCHOOL STAND OUT:

- ✓ **SMALL CLASS SIZES; OUTSTANDING TEACHER/CHILD RATIOS**
- ✓ **STATE CERTIFIED TEACHERS IN EACH CLASS**  
All teachers have Masters or Bachelor Degree in Early Childhood/Elementary Education.  
All Kindergarten and 4-year old teachers are trained in Orton Gillingham and Wilson Language Basics (Foundations).
- ✓ **HIGHLY QUALIFIED ASSISTANTS IN EACH CLASS**  
Each with Bachelor or Associate Degree, or Child Development Associate Certificate – CDA
- ✓ **STAFF NOTED FOR ESTABLISHING CARING RELATIONSHIPS WITH CHILDREN**
- ✓ **SPECIALS PROGRAM**  
Each class visits weekly with an art, music, poetry, physical education and Spanish teacher in addition to normal 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
- ✓ **TWO 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.



*"Where Children Play to Learn"*

## PNS&K EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

CLASS OFFERINGS	TIMES	TUITION*	DAYS
<b>Kindergarten Program</b>			
Full Day	8:45a-2:30p	\$ 10,450	M-F
<b>4.5-Year Old Programs</b>			
Full Day	9:00a-2:20p	\$ 9,950	M-F
Half Day	11:45a-2:45p	\$ 7,280	M-F
Morning Enrichments (5 days)**	9:10a-11:45a	\$ 4,200	M-F
<b>4-Year Old Programs</b>			
4 Day Morning	9:00a-11:25a	\$ 5,140	T-F
5 Day Morning	9:00a-11:25a	\$ 6,260	M-F
Afternoon Enrichments (5 days)**	11:25a-2:00p	\$ 4,200	M-F
<b>3.5-Year Old Program</b>			
5 Day AM & PM	9:15a-2:45p M, 12:20p-2:45p T-F	\$ 7,280	M-F
<b>3-Year Old Program</b>			
3 Full Days	9:00a-2:20p	\$ 7,300	M,T,TH
3 Day Morning	9:00a-11:25a	\$ 4,075	M,T,TH
4 Day Afternoon	12:20p-2:45p	\$ 5,140	T-F
<b>2.5-Year Old Program</b>			
2 Day Morning	9:00a-11:25a	\$ 3,270	W,F
3 Day Afternoon	12:20p-2:45p	\$ 4,075	T,W,F

- \* • 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.

\*\* Enrichment programs are additional programs for the 4.5 and 4-year old students. Students must be currently enrolled in one of PNS&K's 4.5-year old or 4-year old programs to participate in enrichment classes. Other Extended Day Options are available for 4.5, 4, 3.5, 3 and 2.5 yr. students to extend or add on to their days. Registration occurs in the Springtime for extended day options for the following Fall. Before and After Care is also available.

### PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

Tuition for the 2023–2024 school term is payable in five (5) equal installments. A schedule will be sent with your acceptance. Please note these important requirements:

- Kindergarten: 1st payment is due **January 27<sup>th</sup> and is non-refundable** upon receipt.
- Second payment **is non-refundable after May 31<sup>st</sup>.**
- Tuition for 2023-2024 **is non-refundable after February 1, 2024.**
- Withdrawal during the school year requires written notice one month in advance.
- Double enrollment of a child is not permitted.

### 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 \$75.00** 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.

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