Fairport Spring Open House 2024-2025

Miss Cheraso-Teacher Mrs. Swan- Classroom Assistant Ms. Heald- Classroom Assistant

Welcome to Preschool!

We are so excited you are interested in the ESCWR Fairport preschool program housed within McKinley Elementary School! Children are curious about their world and full of wonder making preschool a crucial time of learning. Early childhood education fosters independence and creativity in all areas of learning so that young children may know the true joy of discovery. Through a prepared environment, preschool can offer a broad spectrum of experiences that spark the imagination of children and alert them to the vast possibilities that their world presents. Exploring together with other children provides an opportunity for children to understand their own needs as well as the needs of others.

Our goal is to prepare all children for Kindergarten and we do this by implementing all five developmental domains. In addition to the five developmental domains, we realize the importance of children learning how to compromise, be respectful to others, and problem solve - preschool provides a place where your child can gain a sense of self, explore, play with peers and build confidence.



About our Preschool

The ESCWR Fairport Preschool is a program licenced by the Ohio Department of Education that offers education to children between 3 and 5 years old in Fairport Harbor, Ohio.

We utilize a state approved curriculum aligned to the Ohio Early Childhood Content Standards along with using a phonemic awareness curriculum called Heggerty. We strive to prepare all students for kindergarten by addressing each of the following domains: fine/gross motor, communicative, adaptive, cognitive, and social emotional development. We are also proud to share that we currently hold a Gold status for step up to quality rating based on the quality of education we provide.







Meet the Staff

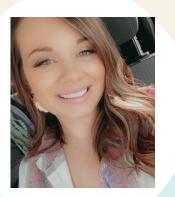




Mrs. Swan Classroom Assistants



Miss Heald



Miss Cheraso

Lead Teacher





Typical Day in Preschool

This is a typical day in our classroom. We are also included in specials such as art, music, or gym on certain days!





Arrival
Unpack, Sign in & Attendance
Morning Meeting & Heggerty
Bathroom Break
Calendar & Circle Time
Centers
Story or Activity
Bathroom
Rest
Lunch
Story & Circle Time Activity
FUNdations letter work
Snack
Pack Up & Dismissal

*Subject to Change





Arrival and Dismissal Procedure

Every morning you will drop your **Preschool** child off at the **South** Street Gym doors <u>between 8:10-8:25</u>.

We ask you are <u>PROMPT</u> as we begin our day right away!!

Please practice student getting out of the car independently. We cannot have parents getting out of their cars and walking to the door. Staff will be outside to guide students into the building.





Walkers: Dismissal for walkers is 3:00 - preschool heads out at 2:53 to beat the rush of older students. This takes place on **Plum Street** playground fence. Staff will walk with your child to the fence to greet parents and make sure all is well. **We ask that you please refrain from parking your car and walking to it if your child is a walker. It causes a safety issue and students safety is our number one priority

<u>Car Riders:</u> Dismissal for preschool and preschool siblings will take place at the **South Street** Gym doors. Students exit the building starting at 2:45-50 and is done by 3:05.

Frequently Asked Questions

Does my child have to be toilet trained in order to attend ESCWR Fairport preschool?

YES.

Students that attend Fairport Preschool <u>are REQUIRED to be fully toilet</u> <u>trained</u> by the start of the school year.

* Unless they have an existing IEP and require special education services to address adaptive needs. For students with identified needs/on an IEP, program staff will continually work to develop independence in toileting and dressing.

Students must also be able to independently handle hygiene needs such as wiping themselves and dressing themselves.



Will my child have rest time?

YES

It is part of State requirements, any student who is in a full day preschool program (for more then five consecutive hours) must have an hour rest time.

- Each student will have their own rest mat that is labeled specifically for them and cleaned daily.
- Parents need to provide items for rest which include: a drawstring bag, small blanket, one small stuffed animal/pillow.
- If your child has a hard time laying still for an hour you are welcome to pack two books for them to look at during rest to help pass the time.
- We encourage independence so please provide items your child can take out/put in the bag independently. Practice before school starts.
- Items will be sent home every Friday to be washed and returned.





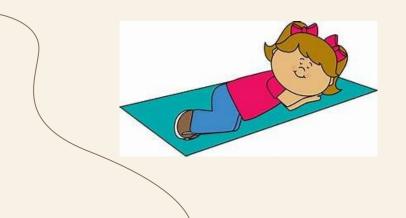


Will child have to sleep during rest time?

NO.

-We simply don't expect every child to fall asleep during rest time. Many of our students don't nap during rest but all we ask is that they stay on their mat and stay quiet for the time allotted.

-During rest time, relaxing/calming music is played.





Will my child have snack & lunch?

YES.

We will have daily lunch and snack time

Lunch is 40 minutes. The time is subject to change depending on McKinley's schedule. Lunch can be packed or bought. We suggest packing the first few weeks until we get into the routine of being in the lunchroom with other classes. *Please practice how to open lunch items, we encourage independence*. If you wish to have your child buy you will need to register with Infinite Campus with McKinley and create an account. You may also be able to qualify for free and reduced lunches.

Snack, along with a drink, **is provided/packed daily by parents**. Please send in one snack per day along with a juice box or reusable water bottle that is labeled with your child's first and last name.



Some healthy lunch and snack ideas include:

Carrots, cucumbers, apples, strawberries, banana, sandwich, cheese stick, graham crackers, veggie straws, applesauce, yogurt and much more!

What behavior management strategies are used?

We focus on developmentally appropriate, social-emotional skills and strategies to set our students up for success!

We discuss Zones of Regulation to help students learn verbiage and teaches them how to regulate their emotions, we work hard to build trusting relationships with our students, and set expectations for the classroom that are reviewed and practiced often.

We also use Class Dojo to motivate students to work to earn "points" for working hard, following directions, being ready to learn, etc. Each week students can have a chance to shop the treasure box







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<u>**Registration**</u>

Registration is now open for the 2024-2025 school year!

See link below for more information regarding our program, registration packet, grant and tuition info:

https://www.escwr.org/FairportHarbor. aspx

