



White Bear Lake Area Schools



2021-2022 Preschool Registration Guide

Early Childhood
Where BEARS Begin



Four-Star Rated
Parent Aware Program
Proudly Using Best Practices for
Preparing Children for
Kindergarten

Program Information

WELCOME

White Bear Lake Area Preschool

A Place to Learn, Grow, and Prepare for Kindergarten

White Bear Lake Area Preschool provides a safe and nurturing environment for a child's first school experience away from home.

Age-appropriate activities provide a variety of meaningful hands-on learning experiences in the areas of reading and math readiness, science and social studies, art and sensory, music, and dramatic play. This positive preschool experience allows children to make a successful transition to kindergarten.

White Bear Lake Area Preschool practices are aligned with the White Bear Lake Area School District kindergarten expectations.

Bienvenidos! Un Lugar para Aprender, Crecer y Prepararnos para el Kínder

La escuela Preescolar de White Bear Lake provee un ambiente seguro y maternal para la primera experiencia de los estudiantes fuera de su hogar. Las actividades, apropiadas para la edad de los niños, proveen la oportunidad para aprendizaje significativo en las áreas de preparación para el Kinder: en las matemáticas, lectura, ciencias naturales y sociales, arte, música, juego dramático, y educación física. Esta experiencia positiva de preescolar apoya una transición exitosa al Kinder para los niños que participen.

Ib Qhov Chaw Kawm, Txhawb nqa, Thiab Pab Rau Qib Kindergarten

White Bear Lake Area Preschool muaj txoj kev nyab xeeb thiab txhawb nqa pab rau menyuam txoj kev kawm rau lub sij hawm thaum menyuam tsis nyob hauv vaj hauv tsev.

Muaj yam qhia raws li tus menyuam hnuab nyoog thiab pab kawm yam paub nyob raws li nyeem ntawv thiab ua lej, science thiab social studies, kos duab thiab yam pom thiab saib tau, suab paj nruag, ua yeeb yam, dhia ua si, suab lus thiab kev siv lus. Kev kawm preschool muab thiab txhawb nqa menyuam txoj kev kawm kom menyuam kawm ntawv keej thaum mus kawm qib kindergarten.

White Bear Lake Area Preschool txoj kev qhia ntawv yog muaj raws li lub tuam ntawv White Bear Lake Area School District cov ntaub ntawv kawm nyob qib kindergarten.



Our Preschool has a 4-Star rating... the highest attainable!



White Bear Lake Schools' Preschool programs have earned a 4-Star Parent Aware rating. Parent Aware's Star Ratings help parents find programs that go above and beyond to prepare children for school and life.

To Earn a 4-Star rating - Schools must prove they are excelling in the use of best practices in preparing kids for kindergarten by:

- ◆ Obtaining extra in-depth training.
- ◆ Building strong, caring relationships with each child.
- ◆ Adopting the latest approaches in keeping children's learning on track.
- ◆ Committing to daily activities and routines that help children learn and grow.
- ◆ Focusing on children's health and safety.

Learn more at www.parentaware.org.



Program Information

White Bear Lake Area Preschool

White Bear Lake Area Preschool offers school-year long classes. The program includes:

- ◆ Licensed teachers and trained assistants in every classroom
- ◆ Low child/teacher ratio
- ◆ Ongoing assessment using *Teaching Strategies Gold* to measure students growth in all areas of early childhood development
- ◆ *Creative Curriculum* used in all classes
- ◆ On-site specialists to meet individual needs
- ◆ Outdoor play areas and gyms designed and equipped especially for young children

Families are welcome to tour the preschool sites at their convenience. Please call 651-653-3100 to schedule a preschool tour.

Preschool Sites

Birch Elementary - BIR
1616 Birch Lake Avenue
White Bear Lake

Hugo Elementary - HU
14895 Francesca Avenue
Hugo

Normandy Park Ed. Center - NP
2482 County Road F East
White Bear Lake

Lakeaires Elementary - LK
3963 Van Dyke St
White Bear Lake

Tamarack Nature Center - TAM
5287 Otter Lake Road
White Bear Township

Otter Lake Elementary- OT
1401 County Rd H2,
White Bear Lake

North Oaks - NO
North Oaks East Recreation
Building -5 Mink Lane
North Oaks

Contact Information

**Programs, Registration,
Events & Class Openings**
Main Office
651-653-3100

Early Childhood
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Specialist
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Early Childhood Special Education

Special Education services are provided free of charge to children birth to age five. Children younger than three are generally seen at home by teachers and specialists. Services for children 3-5 years old may include:

- ◆ Integrated classroom opportunities
- ◆ Speech/Language, Occupational and Physical Therapy
- ◆ Home visits/community resource information
- ◆ Multi-disciplinary educational assessments

Call 651-653-3100 for more information.



Toileting Skills

Three-year-olds

Children should be mostly bathroom independent, knowing when they need to use the bathroom, and are having few accidents.

Four-year-olds

Children need to be completely toilet trained.

** Special circumstances are accommodated due to medical needs.*

Welcome to Full Day Preschool

Extended Day

Families who are registered for full day preschool can register for Extended Day at Elementary School Sites. For information about Extended Day hours and rates:

Call: #651-407-7511

Or go online at:

<http://communityservices.isd624.org>



Transportation options may be available for full day preschool students who attend full day preschool at their home elementary school

New Full Day Preschool for 2021-2022 Year!

Age 4 by Sept 1, 2021

This full day, year-before-kindergarten program is designed to help children prepare to enter kindergarten with the skills and behaviors necessary to be successful. Children who are four years old on or before September 1 of the current school year and are toilet trained are eligible to enroll.

Children work on listening, personal and social development, language and literacy, thinking and math skills through guided play, group time, and social interaction. Activities include language arts, math, science, art, large muscle (gym/outside), dramatic play, blocks, and music.

White Bear Lake Early Childhood Preschool Includes

- ◆ Minnesota Licensed teachers and trained assistants in every class
- ◆ Ongoing assessment using *Teaching Strategies Gold* to measure students growth in all area of early childhood development
- ◆ *Creative Curriculum* in all classes

Program Hours at Elementary Sites: Mon- Fri. 9 am- 3:40 pm

Program Sites: Birch, Hugo, Lakeaires, and Otter

Dates: Sept. 13 - Jun. 3, 2022 (follows the WBL preschool calendar)

Cost: \$650 per month

School Readiness Plus - 4 year old Preschool

Age 4 by Sept 1, 2021

This is a year-before-kindergarten preschool option for students who live within the Birch Lake, Willow Lane, Lakeaires or Vadnais Heights Elementary school boundaries. In order to enroll in this preschool at a reduced rate, a student must meet one of the following eligibility requirements:

- ◆ Homeless
- ◆ Foster Care
- ◆ English Language Learner
- ◆ At-risk Early Childhood Screening score
- ◆ Income

If your student does not meet any of these criteria, your child(ren) is still eligible to attend for a fee. The cost will be based on our School Readiness Plus sliding fee scale. For more information call #651-653-3100.

Program Hours at Elementary Sites: Mon- Fri. 9 am- 3:40pm

Program Sites: Birch, Willow, Lakeaires, and Vadnais Elementary

Dates: Sept. 13 - Jun. 3, 2022 (follows the WBL preschool calendar)

Welcome to Full Day Preschool

Returning for the 2021-2022 school Year

White Bear Lake's North Oaks Full-day Preschool

Age 4 by Sept 1, 2021

*Children must bring their own lunches/No Extended Day Options for the North Oaks Preschool Site

Dates: Sept. 13 - Jun. 3, 2022 (follows the WBL preschool calendar)

Days: Monday- Friday

Hours: 8:30 am - 3 pm

Cost: \$650 per month

Location: North Oaks East Recreation Building 5 Mink Ln. North Oaks

New for the school Year 2021-2022!

3 Full Days Preschool

Age 4 by Sept 1, 2021

This preschool program is offered at two locations:

Hugo Elementary

Dates: Sept. 13 - Jun. 3, 2022 (follows the WBL preschool calendar)

Days: Mon/Wed/Fri

Hours: 9:00 am - 3:40 pm

Additional Options: May qualify for transportation, Access to Nutrition Services, and Extended Day offered at this location

Cost: \$500 per month

Location: 14895 Francesca Ave, Hugo

Normandy Park Education Center

Dates: Sept. 13 - Jun. 3, 2022 (follows the WBL preschool calendar)

Days: Mon/Wed/Fri

Hours: 8:30 am - 3:00 pm

Additional Options: *Students must bring their own lunch everyday* No Extended Day offered at this location

Cost: \$500 per month

Location: 2482 County Road F East, WBL

Class Fees

All class costs are for the entire school year (Sept - May). Parents will be invoiced a monthly fee based on program costs. Payments are due the first day of each month. Tamarack Nature Preschool fees are higher to cover the costs of a Ramsey County Naturalist. There is an additional one time non-refundable fee of \$100.00 for out of district residents attending Tamarack Nature Center Preschool.

School Readiness

Your child may qualify for tuition assistance based on the following eligibility requirements which include:

- ◆ Income
- ◆ Homeless/Foster Care
- ◆ Home first language
- ◆ Health and development

School Readiness tuition assistance forms are available in the Normandy Park Early Childhood Office.



For more information call 651-653-3100.

Half Day Preschool

Nature Preschool

For 3-5 year olds

The program at Tamarack Nature Center revolves around nature - learning from it, about it and within it. Classes include the implementation of our Creative Curriculum and Teaching Strategies Gold assessment in their daily outdoor experiences. A Tamarack Naturalist is an integral and collaborative member of the teaching team.

Hoppers - 3-4 year olds

(Age 3 by Sept 1, 2021)

T/TH 9:00-11:30 am Tam

Jumpers - 3 year olds

(Age 3 by Sept 1, 2021)

T/TH 9:00-11:30 am Tam

Leapers - 3½-5 year olds

(Age 3½ by Sept 1, 2021)

M/W/F 9:00-11:30 am Tam

Skippers - 3½-5 year olds

(Age 3½ by Sept 1, 2021)

T/TH 1:00-3:30 pm Tam

Bounders - 4-5 year olds

(Age 4 by Sept 1, 2021)

M/W/F 1:00-3:30 pm Tam

Tamarack Nature Center

5287 Otter Lake Road
White Bear Township

Tamarack has an outdoor Nature Play Area and Discovery Garden with daily nature exploration activities.

3 Year Old Classes

Age 3 by Sept 1, 2021

This preschool opportunity will allow children time to practice social skills as they begin to interact, cooperate, and develop their first friendships. Classroom activities will include a focus on turn-taking, sharing, playing games, pretend play, small and large group learning.

T/TH - A 8:30-11 am NP

T/TH - B 8:30-11 am NP

M/W 8:30-11 am NP

T/TH 12:30-3pm NP

T/TH 9:00-11:30 am HU

T/TH 12:45-3:15 pm HU

4-5 Year Old Classes

Age 4 by Sept 1, 2021

Classes are focused on helping children become independent learners and giving them the skills necessary to be successful in kindergarten. Curriculum is designed to address all areas of development and reinforce mastery of skills required for kindergarten readiness.

T/W/TH 8:30-11 am NP

T/W/TH 12:30-3 pm NP

M-TH 12:30-3 pm NP

T/W/TH 9:00-11:30 am HU

M-TH 12:45-3:15 pm HU



Preschool class times are subject to change based on school start times and/or availability of transportation for our special education preschoolers.

ECFE Parent-Child Classes 2021-2022 Registration

The ECFE brochure with class descriptions, registration information, and materials will be available in late April or early May.

ECFE registration begins Thursday, May 6.

www.whitebear.ce.eleyo.com

Preschool Registration

Preschool Registration

Register online at:
www.whitebear.ce.eleyo.com
T: 651-653-3100 Fax: 651-653-3155

We offer payment options

to assist families with payments. The first payment is due on the first day of class. Payments are due the first of each month.

9- Monthly Payments by Building

Half Day Preschool

2 days/wk	NP/HU	\$175
2 days/wk	TAM	\$250
3 days/wk	NP/HU	\$240
3 days/wk	TAM	\$350
4 days/wk	NP/HU	\$305

9- Monthly Payments by Building

Full Day Preschool

3 days/wk	NP/HU	\$500
5 days/wk	HU/BIR/OT/NO	\$650

Students outside of the White Bear Lake Area School District boundary attending Tamarack Nature Preschool, will be charged an additional non-refundable \$100.00 fee.



How To Register for Preschool

The White Bear Lake Area Schools Community Services registration is online. www.whitebear.ce.eleyo.com. A confirmation email will be sent when your student has been placed in their class and your payment account will be charged.

(This process can take up to 10 business days)

2021-2022 Preschool Registration

◆ Registration begins February 23rd For all families

White Bear Lake Area (WBLA) Preschool is accepting registrations for the 2021-2022 school year. This brochure and registration form are available online at www.whitebear.ce.eleyo.com.

◆ Registrations will be accepted online and in-person at Normandy Park Education Center.

Registrations MUST include the following items or your enrollment will not be accepted

- ◆ A non-refundable \$55 registration fee
- ◆ Copy of birth certificate (new families only)
- ◆ Current immunization record ***required every year**

Fax: 651-653-3155

If you have any questions, call 651-653-3100.

Tuition Assistance

Pathway I Early Learning Scholarships Are Available

Call 651-653-3100 to inquire about tuition assistance

Applications are available at the Normandy Park office. More details are available at:

http://www.thinksmall.org/for_parents_and_guardians/help_paying_for_child_care

For scholarship information available in other languages, call 651-665-0150 or 1-866-807-6021

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651-665-0150

White Bear Lake Area Schools

Early Childhood Screening

Screen at Three

Early Childhood Screening is required by the state of Minnesota for all children prior to entering kindergarten. White Bear Lake Area School District provides this screening at no charge.

3 reasons to screen at age 3

- ◆ Screening can help ensure school success
- ◆ If health or developmental concerns are identified, educational services are readily available
- ◆ It is fun for children and provides caregivers with valuable information regarding child development

Register online at www.whitebear.ce.eleyo.com or call 651-653-3100 with your child's name, date of birth, your name, and phone number.

Early Childhood Screenings
Normandy Park Education Center
2482 County Road F East, White Bear Lake, MN 55110

UPCOMING SCREENING DATES

February 2021

5th 8:30-10:30 am 12:15-2:15 pm
19th 8:30-10:30 am 12:15-2:15 pm
26th 8:30-10:30 am 12:15-2:15 pm

March 2021

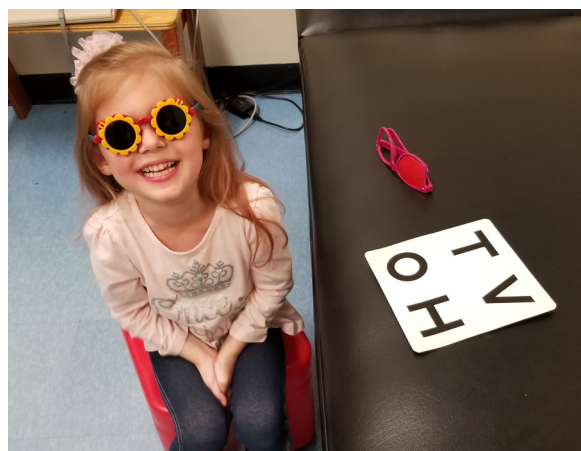
5th 8:30-10:30 am 12:15-2:15 pm
19th 8:30-10:30 am 12:15-2:15 pm
26th 8:30-10:30 am 12:15-2:15 pm

April 2021

9th 8:30-10:30 am 12:15-2:15 pm
14th 8:30-10:30 am 12:15-2:15 pm
15th 8:30-10:30 am 12:15-2:15 pm
16th 8:30-10:30 am 12:15-2:15 pm
23rd 8:30-10:30 am 12:15-2:15 pm
30th 8:30-10:30 am 12:15-2:15 pm

May 2021

7th 8:30-10:30 am 12:15-2:15 pm
14th 8:30-10:30 am 12:15-2:15 pm



New Screening Procedure!

Screening is being done in a one on one format.

We suggest one parent accompany the child and no siblings at screening appointments.

Plexiglass screens and masks are used by screening staff.

All materials are cleaned in between appointments. Masks are required for adults.

If you have questions about our current screening procedures

Please call Darcy at 651-653-3102 for more information.