



**Welcome to
Monona Grove
4K!**



Monona Grove Mission and Vision

The Mission

To be a safe, equitable, and inclusive learning environment for everyone.

The Vision

Engaged learning where equity is prioritized.



Virtual Tour



"Our two children thrived under the guidance of 4K teachers and assistants. The teachers are all incredibly patient and kind. They empowered our learners' social development, math and early literacy skill sets. The dedication of the 4K teachers made our transition to elementary school a complete success." - 4K Parent



Arrival and Dismissal Times



BACK —TO— SCHOOL	Arrival	School Start Time	Dismissal
4K AM	7:20	7:45	10:35
4K PM	11:50	12:00	2:50

"The staff always greets you with a smile and makes you feel at home. We could not have asked for a better place for our kids to start their academic careers." - 4K Parent



Transportation



Bus

- 4K will ride with other grade levels on all routes, with the exception of the mid-day route
- **Dismissal:** At the end of the school day students will be walked to the buses by an adult in the building. Adults will help them as they load the correct bus.
- An adult must be present to greet children as they get off the bus at home/daycare/etc.
- We can bus to a daycare address as long as it is Monona/Cottage Grove address.



4K Snack “Breakfast”



There will be a charge of *approximately* \$1.60/day for any student that takes school breakfast/snack. The whole meal includes milk.

Choosing school breakfast/snack means that your child will get food items as well as a milk shortly after their arrival at school.

There will be a charge of *approximately* \$.40/day for students that select just milk.

If you prefer, your student can bring a snack and drink from home.



Sample Schedule



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7:45 Morning Meeting and Calendar	7:45 Morning Meeting and Calendar	7:45 Morning Meeting and Calendar	7:45 Morning Meeting and Calendar	7:45 Morning Meeting and Calendar
8:00 Snack	8:00 Snack	8:00 Snack	8:00 Snack	8:00 Snack
8:15 Centers	8:15 Centers	8:15 P.E.	8:15 Centers	8:15 P.E.
8:45 Supported Play and SEL	8:45 Makerspace	8:45 Centers	8:45 Library	8:45 Centers
	9:15 Supported Play and SEL	9:15 Supported Play and SEL	9:15 Supported Play and SEL	9:15 Supported Play and SEL
9:45 Meeting Time, Read Aloud, Bathroom, Binders	9:45 Meeting Time, Read Aloud, Bathroom, Binders	9:45 Meeting Time, Read Aloud, Bathroom, Binders	9:45 Meeting Time, Read Aloud, Bathroom, Binders	9:45 Meeting Time, Read Aloud, Bathroom, Binders
10:15 Recess	10:15 Recess	10:15 Recess	10:15 Recess	10:15 Recess
10:30 Dismissal	10:30 Dismissal	10:30 Dismissal	10:30 Dismissal	10:30 Dismissal

	12:10 pm	12:45	1:15	1:30	2:00	2:40
PM MONDAY	Class Meeting	Learning Centers	Snack	Free Choice	Free Choice/ Recess	Dismissal
TUESDAY	Class Meeting	Learning Centers	Snack	Phy. Ed	Free Choice/ Recess	Dismissal
WEDNESDAY	Class Meeting	Learning Centers	Snack	Library	Free Choice/ Recess	Dismissal
THURSDAY	Class Meeting	Learning Centers	Snack	Phy. Ed	Free Choice/ Recess	Dismissal
FRIDAY	Class Meeting	Learning Centers	Snack	Free Choice	Free Choice/ Recess	Dismissal

"We continue to be so happy with our choice, because not only does our daughter absolutely love coming to school but she has made friends and is learning so much! Alphafriends are a favorite and she really loves doing the monthly family projects. The weekly read alouds are great as well!" - 4K Parent

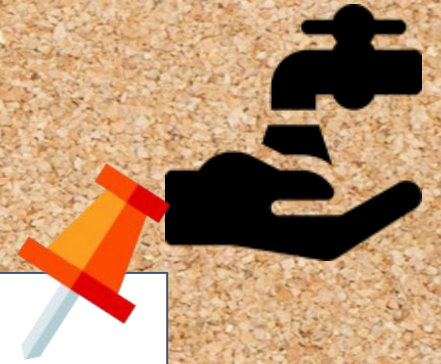
Curriculum



Winnequah and Taylor Prairie will follow the Wisconsin Model Early Learning Standards (WMEELS). **Houghton Mifflin 4K "Splash"** is used as a main curricular resource and this provides a rich, comprehensive, integrated curriculum that takes advantage of young children's natural curiosity about the world around them. The science, social studies, poetry and math links weave content throughout the program to enrich children's language, early reading skills, and background knowledge. Independent explorations take place during center times where children are encouraged to refine their natural inquiry skills.



Bathrooms



- **Every 4K classroom has a bathroom in close proximity for the students to use. We encourage all students to be able to use the bathroom independently, however we are able to assist as needed.**



Advantages of 4K at Monona Grove

- Familiarity with the building for Kindergarten
- Continuity of staff from 4K to Kindergarten – library and PE, specialists, nurse, etc
- Specialists in the building working in the 4K classrooms
- Continuity of learning throughout the grades
- Ability to have older role models and classroom “buddies”
- Experienced, highly–qualified teachers & educational assistants
- Developing relationships with lifelong peers
- Community partners with Monona Library, Firefighters, Police Officers, and other community members.
- Transportation to and from local daycare centers

Our Playgrounds



"We chose 4K ...because it prepared our learner for the start of her educational career. She learned foundational skills and routines that prepared for full day kindergarten. I like that it was play-based and taught by the most qualified of staff!" - 4K Parent



Our classrooms



We loved the location of 4k being in a school, which allows children to get used to that environment for a shorter learning period, allowing my children to feel comfortable when going to Kindergarten." - 4K Parent

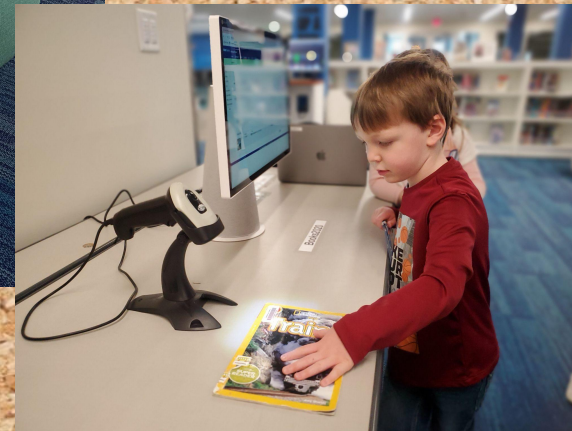
Our classrooms



Our Libraries



Our Libraries



Our gyms



"Exceptional teachers who truly love my child!" - 4K Parent

Our Gyms





Parent and Child Perspectives

"Choosing 4K ...was one of the best decisions we made for our little one who absolutely bloomed in the supportive, loving, encouraging environment provided to her by teachers and staff. The 4K program ...set up a very strong foundation for the rest of her academic career, and she is now thriving in kindergarten. We couldn't have asked for better teachers who set the bar VERY high!" - 4K Parent


"4K provides such a warm, positive, and nurturing environment for young learners. 4K... provided my daughter with a learning experience that was driven by play, movement, and social emotional learning and development. Having attended 4K ... also provided my daughter with the comfort and confidence she needed to transition to Kindergarten with success. Our family could not have asked for a more enriching, fun, loving, and positive 4K experience." - 4K Parent

"Honestly, we chose {Monona Grove} for the amazing school district and wonderful teachers that are with the school system. We could not have been more pleased. It was the first time in my 4K student's life that he was with anyone other than a close family member. The love, attention, and care provided by the entire staff was beyond appreciated!" - 4K Parent

"4K ... is great! My son loved going to 4K ... it was the perfect introduction to school. The program prepares the students for their future. My son learned many new skills, grew socially and had fun. As a parent volunteer I loved helping the children with everything from coding games to pumpkin carving. I can not say enough great things about the 4K program." - 4K Parent



Parent and Child Perspectives


 What are Taylor Prairie Eaglets saying about Taylor Prairie teachers and their school?

What is something you notice about MS. Steine?

How do your teachers make you feel safe at school?
She is a nice teacher.

What is your favorite part about being a learner at Taylor Prairie?
To stay close to them.

If you had a magic wand and could change one thing about Taylor Prairie, what would that be?
Going to the gym.

 What are Taylor Prairie Eaglets saying about Taylor Prairie teachers and their school?


What is something you notice about Mrs. Tuschen?

I like MS. Tuschen because she teaches me

How do your teachers make you feel safe at school?
Because I walk on the white line

What is your favorite part about being a learner at Taylor Prairie?
Playing + doing jobs

If you had a magic wand and could change one thing about Taylor Prairie, what would that be?
I would change jobs

 What are Taylor Prairie Eaglets saying about Taylor Prairie teachers and their school?

What is something you notice about Mrs. Mayfield?

How do your teachers make you feel safe at school?
I like that she always brings new stuff into our room.

What is your favorite part about being a learner at Taylor Prairie?
They always make sure I'm safe inside the building.

If you had a magic wand and could change one thing about Taylor Prairie, what would that be?
I like that I can read a lot

HK would be longer, all day



Next Steps

- Registration
- Placement letters
- Open House – at buildings in the fall before school begins



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