



MUNCIE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Preschool Frequently Asked Questions

- **Where are MCS preschool classrooms located?**

- East Washington Academy – 1000 East Washington St.
- Grissom Elementary – 3201 S. Macedonia Ave.
- North View Elementary – 807 W. Yale Ave.
- South View Elementary – 2100 S. Franklin St.
- West View Elementary – 3401 W. Gilbert St.

If interested in the program at Longfellow Elementary, please contact Huffer Memorial Children's Center at (765) 289-0409.

- **What are MCS preschool hours?**

- Hours are 8:10 a.m. – 2:40 p.m. (same as K-5)

- **What ages does the MCS preschool program serve?**

- The program serves 3- and 4-year-olds with priority given to 4-year-olds.
- Five-year-olds will be considered for a spot if they have missed the kindergarten cutoff date of September 1.

- **How many students and teachers are in each preschool classroom?**

- Each classroom may have up to 20 students with at least two adults in attendance.

- **How much does the MCS preschool program cost?**

- The program costs \$30/week, but many people can access [On My Way Pre-K program](#) funds that would eliminate this cost for families. The program also accepts Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) vouchers and other scholarships.

- **How can I find out if I qualify for On My Way Pre-K funds?**
 - Please visit in.gov/fssa/carefinder/on-my-way-pre-k/ and fill out an application, which can be found here:
<https://earlyedconnect.fssa.in.gov/onlineApp/home>. If you need assistance with your application, please contact MCS at (765) 254-4813.

- **Is MCS preschool a high quality program?**
 - Yes! All MCS preschool programs are rated a Paths to Quality Level 3 and are working toward Level 4, which is the highest rating level. For more information about the Paths to Quality rating system, please visit in.gov/fssa/pathstoquality/.

- **What curriculum does the MCS preschool program offer?**
 - Fountas and Pinnell Literacy Beginnings
 - Second Steps Social Emotional Learning
 - Play-based learning experiences

- **May I visit a Preschool classroom?**
 - Yes! Please call to schedule a time to visit the preschool room at your desired school:
 - East Washington Academy: (765) 747-5434
 - Grissom Elementary: (765) 747-5401
 - North View Elementary: (765) 747-5422
 - South View Elementary: (765) 747-5226
 - West View Elementary: (765) 747-5437
 - Longfellow Elementary (Huffer): (765) 289-0409

- **Are meals provided while my child attends preschool?**
 - YES! All MCS students, including preschool students, receive a free breakfast and lunch each day.
 - Parents are welcome to pack a lunch for their child, but Paths to Quality

guidelines require all lunches to be considered “healthy.” Please contact MCS at (765) 254-4813 if you have specific questions about healthy lunch options.

- **How do I enroll my child in the MCS Preschool program?**
 - To enroll your child, please visit enrollinmcs.org/ and follow the directions. You will be contacted by someone in the preschool office within 10 business days following your submitted application.
- **Who do I contact if I have other questions about preschool?**
 - Please call MCS at (765) 254-4813.