



# MAPS Preschool

## Program Guide

### 2023-2024

#### Center for Learning



#### Eagle Lake Elementary



#### Kennedy Elementary-VPK site



#### PROGRAM LOCATIONS/ADDRESSES:

**Center for Learning- 15 Map Drive, Mankato**

**Eagle Lake Elementary- 500 LeSueur Ave.,  
Eagle Lake**

**Kennedy Elementary- 2600 Main Street,  
Mankato**

#### Connect with US!



**Mankato ECFE**



**507-625-4620**



**Mankato Community Education**



**[www.mankatocer.com/programs/early-learning](http://www.mankatocer.com/programs/early-learning)**

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507-625-4620

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WHERE IT ALL BEGINS...

## CONTACT US:

### Early Learning Department

Family Learning Center

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**\*\*Office to relocate to NEW 15**

**Map Drive location in June 2023\*\***

# WELCOME



## Mankato Area Public Schools (MAPS) Preschool Program

High quality programming options offer early learning experiences for children ages 3–5 years. Family involvement is essential to a child's development and a priority of our programming. We look forward to partnering with you to help guide your developing child and prepare them for school and lifelong success!

Through the use of a researched, play based curriculum, we plan and create hands-on learning experiences throughout our classroom and outdoor environments. Skill building in all areas of development: Social Emotional, Physical, Language, Literacy, Cognitive, Math, Science and the Arts.

Review our multiple program options to see how your child can best be served through MAPS Preschool!



### Dates to REMEMBER

January 23, 2023 - Registration Opens for 23–24

June - **Early Learning Office relocates to 15 Map Drive**

August - Preschool Family Orientation Sessions

September - Entrance Conferences/ Classes Begin

# MAPS Preschool Registration 2023-24

*Registration opens at 7:30 a.m. on January 23, 2023*

Register **online** at [mankato.ce.eleyo.com](https://mankato.ce.eleyo.com)

or

**In person** at our office– 820 Hubbell Ave, Mankato, MN



Please allow  
2 weeks for  
application  
processing and  
confirmation  
notification.



## Preschool Program Highlights:

- MAPS Preschool is a registration fee based program.
  - Scholarships are available; application and proof of income is required.
- We are Parent Aware 4 Star rated.
- Staff are highly qualified and we maintain low student-staff ratios.
- Family Involvement is essential to the MAPS Preschool experience.
- A researched, play based, curriculum and authentic assessment are used across programs.
- Instruction includes Intentional teaching of social emotional skills through the Pyramid Model framework and Second Step Curriculum.
- Large outdoor green space and fenced play area for nature based learning experiences.
- Alignment with Mankato Area Public Schools policies, practices and procedures for successful transition to Kindergarten and school readiness.
- Our classrooms offer inclusive settings for children with special needs.
- Children must complete Early Childhood Screening within 90 days of enrollment (call) 507-387-2125 to make an appointment.
- Toilet training is not required, however, a child must be “in process” prior to starting classes. Staff will partner with families on further mastery of this skill across the school and home environments.



# MAPS Preschool Program Options

## MAPS Preschool

- **Fee based** program for children ages 3-5.
- **Age eligible by September 1**
- Scholarships available by application

## Voluntary Pre-kindergarten (VPK)

- Voluntary pre-kindergarten was established by Governor Dayton and the 2016 Minnesota Legislature to prepare children for success as they enter kindergarten the following year.
- To be eligible for this **free** preschool program you **must reside within Kennedy or Washington Elementary boundaries**
- Child must be **4 years old** by September 1
- Cannot be age eligible to attend kindergarten (5)
- Transportation is available for those who qualify

## Program Eligibility Criteria

Program	Sites	Ages	Time/Days	Fee	Eligibility	Transportation	Scholarship
MAPS Preschool	Center for Learning	3s 3s 3s	8-11 am M/W 8-11 am T/TH 12-3 pm T-TH	Yes	3 by Sept 1	Fee for service	Application
MAPS Preschool	Center for Learning	4s 4s	8:15-11:15 am M-TH 12:15-3:15 pm M-TH	Yes	4 by Sept 1	Fee for service	Application
MAPS Preschool	Eagle Lake	3s 4s	8-11 am T-TH 12-3 pm M-TH	Yes	3 by Sept 1 4 by Sept 1	Not available	Application
Voluntary Preschool (VPK)	Kennedy Elementary	4s 4s	8-11 am M-TH 12-3 pm M-TH	No	-Residence in Kennedy or Washington School boundary  -4 by Sept. 1st  -cannot be Kindergarten eligible (5)	Available to those who qualify	NA
ACES Early Learning	Center for Learning	3s 4s	<b>Options:</b> Full day care Half day care Friday Fun Days Non-school day	Yes	Students enrolled in MAPS Preschool	Not available	Child Care Assistance/CCAP

# MAPS Preschool Fees

\$25 non-refundable registration fee. Program tuition is based on the class.

**2 day per week class**, 3 hours per day...\$972 per year (or 9 monthly payments of \$108)

**3 day per week class**, 3 hours per day..\$1,188 per year (or 9 monthly payments of \$132)

**4 day per week class**, 3 hours per day..\$1620 per year (or 9 monthly payments of \$180)

Payments are due on the 1st of each month, September through May. You will be invoiced prior to the beginning of the month. Invoices are sent electronically through your ELEYO account. Autopay is available.

Tuition not paid on time will be charged a \$15 late fee.

A two week notice is required if you wish to no longer have your child enrolled in the MAPS preschool program.

Inquire about scholarships and reduced tuition at time of registration.

An application and proof of income are required.

(Updates July 1, 2023)

Family Size	Early Learning Scholarship eligible - full scholarship (22-23 income limits)	Reduced Fee- pay 50% (22-23 income limits)	Pay in full (22-23 income limits)
2	33,874	33,875-42,902	42,903+
3	42,606	42,607-53,929	53,930+
4	51,338	51,339-64,974	64,975+
5	60,070	60,071-76,070	76,071+
6	68,802	68,803-86,807	86,808+
7	77,534	77,535-98,353	98,354+
8	86,266	86,267-109,118	109,119+

## Fee for service transportation

2 day a week (3s)	3 day a week (3's)	4 day a week (4's)
\$90 a month	\$130 a month	\$175 a month

- This option is available to Center for Learning registrants
- Fee based transportation requires online registration on our website through Eleyo and is pending approval
- Limited seats available
- Additional fees may apply if address is outside of city limits

# ACES - Early Learning Fees + Details

- This option is only available to students registered at the **Center for Learning** (located at 15 Map Drive, Mankato)
- Complements the preschool day, giving families the option for a half day or full day experience
- Programming offered 5 days a week
- Follows MAPS preschool calendar
- ACES is a fun, educational + recreational child care program, aligned with MAPS Early Learning
- Activities provide a balance between structured and unstructured play, both indoors and outdoors
- Register for MAPS preschool + then ACES staff will connect with you about next steps!  
**#noneedtocallACESstoregister**



Care Options	Cost	Times (drop off + pick up times can vary)	Included in ACES	More Details
Full Day ACES	\$50 daily	7am - 5:30pm	AM Snack + Lunch + PM Snack	Need any full day options M-F? Sign up for morning or afternoon preschool on the days you need and join us for the rest of week in ACES!
Half Day - Morning ACES	\$25 daily	7am - 11:45am (includes 3 hours of preschool time)	AM Snack + Lunch	Need a 1/2 day morning option? Sign up for Morning Preschool and we'll take care of the rest!
Half Day - Afternoon ACES	\$30 daily	11:45am - 5:30pm (includes 3 hours of preschool time)	Lunch + PM Snack	Need a 1/2 day afternoon option? Sign up for Afternoon Preschool and we'll take care of the rest!
Non-School Day ACES when preschool is closed in observation of holidays + professional development	\$50.00 daily	7am - 5:30pm	AM Snack + Lunch + PM Snack	Non-School Days are scheduled days when preschool is closed, but we still have full day options! =no half day option=



**DO YOU HAVE A  
THREE OR FOUR YEAR OLD?**





# PLAYING TO LEARN AND LEARNING TO PLAY.....



## LARGE & SMALL GROUP LEARNING



## FAMILY ENGAGEMENT



## MATH & LITERACY EXPERIENCES

