

Early Childhood Family Education

WINTER 2024
January 2 - March 15



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COMMUNITY EDUCATION
Roosevelt Community School
Celebrating Life & Learning

Thursday, November 30th, 2023

Online Registration

Starting at 6:00 a.m.

In Person Registration

Starting at 8:00 a.m.

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Roosevelt Community School | 122 E McKinley Street | Owatonna, MN 55060 | 507-444-7900

Winter Trimester REGISTRATION INFORMATION

• Call 507-444-7900, stop by 122 E McKinley St, or go online Owatonnacommunityed.org

Early Childhood Family Education classes offer opportunities for adults and children to participate in fun, developmentally-appropriate learning activities together. Parents then join a parenting discussion facilitated by a parent educator while children continue their play with their early childhood teacher in the children’s classroom. Families join together for songs and finger-plays during the closing circle time led by staff.

Winter Trimester: January 2nd, 2024 - March 15th, 2024
No ECFE classes on the following dates: January 15th & February 19th

ECFE Parent/Child Class Fee Structure

Owatonna ECFE operates based on a sliding fee scale; no one is turned away for inability to pay. The class fee is based on your household’s total yearly income, before taxes. The class fee selected by your family is confidential. Class fees are necessary to supplement state and local tax dollars dedicated to supporting early childhood programming. A trimester runs 8-12 weeks long depending on the ECFE calendar.

Your household’s total yearly income, before taxes:

Less than \$19,999 per yr.	\$10.00 per class trimester
\$20,000 to \$29,999 per yr.	\$15.00 per class trimester
\$30,000 to \$39,999 per yr.	\$20.00 per class trimester
\$40,000 to \$49,999 per yr.	\$25.00 per class trimester
\$50,000 and greater.	\$30.00 per class trimester

Sibcare – \$5.00/trimester/family (non-refundable) Non-School District Resident Fee – \$10.00 additional per class

**Families with SCHA Health policies may qualify for class reimbursement. Please notify the front office with your SCHA number once you register!*

**Sibcare is not covered by SCHA.*

SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

Monday

Toddlers
Toddler Time (Separating)
Baby & Me
Fun Shops 3-5's
Sibling Care

Tuesday

Early Explorers
Amazing Newborn
Baby & Me
Fun Shops 2-3's
STEAM Ahead Learning
Sibling Care

Wednesday

Toddlers
Sibling Care

Thursday

Early Explorers
Toddler Time (Separating)
Playful Preschool
Sibling Care

Friday

Music class
Preschool Experience

Sibling Care

- Sib Care is quality, on-site childcare for siblings age birth to 9-years-old. Cost is \$5 per family, per trimester.
- Families must pre-register and pay on-line or in person before the trimester starts.
- Sib Care is available for all classes Monday- Thursdays, unless noted.



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Infants

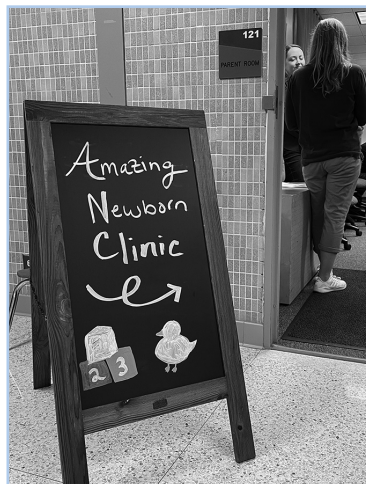
These classes are for children who will not be one year old by January 2nd

Amazing Newborn

Do you have a new baby? Congratulations! Owatonna ECFE and Steele County Public Health would like to invite you and your baby (0-12 weeks) to Amazing Newborn, a free weekly class and drop in experience.

A Parent Educator will lead parents through group discussion and learning on a rotating schedule of topics that include: development, tummy time, mom's body care, soothing a crying baby, self-care, postpartum moods, car seats, first colds and fevers, language and literacy, relationships, feeding, and schedules. Drop in as little or as much as you would like to participate in discussion with other new parents.

Public Health Nurses will continue to be an active part of Amazing Newborn. Parents are welcome to drop in to have your baby weighed, discuss feeding or health concerns, etc. No need to stay for the entirety of the weekly class.



No pre-registration is required. Come when it fits your schedule in the 0-12 week window. Sibling care is available.

Every Tuesday, Year Round 10:30- 12:00 pm, Room 123



Baby & Me

Whether you are just welcoming a baby into your home or are about to celebrate your baby's first birthday, the first year of life is exciting- and challenging! Come with your baby to meet other parents who are discovering the wonder of their child. This class is led by a Parent Educator. Babies and parents stay together throughout the class.

- Enjoy playing with your baby in activities that provide sensory and movement experiences.
- Learn about your baby's growth and development
- Share ideas about ways to care for yourself as a parent, and discuss some practical tips for parenting.

011 0-11 Months, Mondays – 1:00-2:00 pm, Room 123

012 0-11 Months, Tuesdays – 4:00-5:00 pm, Room 123

*Infant parent/child classes are free to first time participants.

Toddlers

These classes are for children who are at least one year old by January 2nd

Toddlers (1-2 Years)

Join us for time with your one and two year-old to share with other parents ways to help your “shaker and mover”. A toddler’s world is full of wonder and discovery. Participate with your child in a variety of fun, developmentally appropriate activities! Discuss parenting topics such as dealing with frustration, learning to share, and learning new words.



1211	12-23 MONTHS, Mondays	8:30-9:45 am	Room 123
1212	12-35 MONTHS, Mondays	5:30-6:45 pm	Room 123
1231	12-35 MONTHS, Wednesdays	8:30-9:45 am	Room 123
1232	12-35 MONTHS, Wednesdays	10:30-11:45 am	Room 123

Toddler Time (Two Years)

These classes are for children who are at least two years old by January 2nd

This class includes a portion of parent-child play and engagement followed by separation of parents and children. Parents will discuss appropriate topics that are specific to two-year-olds while children engage in play focused on communication, cooperation, and exploration.

211	24-36 MONTHS, Mondays	10:30-11:45 am	Room 123
241	24-36 MONTHS, Thursdays	8:30-9:45 am	Room 123



Music Makers, Movers, and Shakers - NEW



The magic of music and movement has brought people of all ages together for thousands of years; come join this mixed-age class to embark on a delightful musical journey where we will engage in melodic, rhythmic, and movement exploration. This class will promote discovery and learning through dancing, singing, and storytelling.

**No sibling care is available for this class due to the mixed age nature of the class.*

23451 Birth - Not yet in Kindergarten, Fridays 8:30-9:30 am Room 116

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3 - 5 Year Olds

Playful Preschoolers

Every member of a family brings unique strengths that help build and strengthen the family unit. These combined-age preschooler classes provide families with current information about the important role of play for growing healthy preschoolers. Play teaches a child how the world works, and gives practice in independent thinking skills helpful in their school years.

- Children will experience the “Read, Play, Learn” Curriculum, designed to provide rich literature and vocabulary that allows children to use their imagination and creativity to use play to fully “live the story” and practice new vocabulary.
- During parent time this class will focus on the social, emotional and language development necessary for strengthening relationships in families and for school readiness.



34541 36 MONTHS not yet in Kindergarten, Thursdays 10:30 am-12:00 pm Room 122

STEAM Ahead Learning

STEAM Ahead Learning is an engaging and interactive class integrating Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math (STEAM) concepts into a play-based learning environment. The class is designed to foster curiosity, creativity, and a love for learning through age-appropriate activities, experiments, and other opportunities to challenge young children in sparking imagination and promoting intellectual, social, and emotional growth. Parents will participate in activities with their child(ren) and then separate for parent discussion time regarding creative learning experiences for their children as well as other age appropriate topics led by a parent educator.



34521 30 MONTHS not yet in Kindergarten, Tuesdays 5:30 - 6:45 pm Room 122

Child-Only Classes

Preschool Experience

Families who enroll in identified parent/child classes, have the opportunity to provide their child with an additional early learning experience designed for the child-only. Children will learn through play and an introduction to preschool routines and structure.

- To be eligible for enrollment in Friday Child Only Classes, families must be enrolled in an additional parent/child class.
- Tuition will be \$35 for the trimester. This is in addition to the tuition paid for the parent/child class. There is no sliding fee.



34551 36 MONTHS not yet in Kindergarten, Fridays 10:00-12:00 am Room 122

Early Explorers

Early Explorers is specific for 3 year olds who are ready to gain more independence, practice social skills, and get a taste of preschool through play and exploration. Parents required to participate in weekly parent-child activities posted in ClassDojo or enroll in an additional parent/child class. ClassDojo is an online site or app that is used for parent-teacher communication and activities. Any child who is 3 years old by January 2, 2024 is welcome to register.

- Tuition will be \$45 for the trimester, there is no sliding fee.



3241 3 YEARS, Tuesdays & Thursdays 8:30-10:00 am Room 122

Fun Shops

Fun Shops

- Special playtimes focus on a specific theme with fun family activities for parent and child.
- Family activities include art, music, motor skills and math/science exploration.
- Parent & child will stay together for the full hour and explore the planned activities.
(This is a great activity for grandparents to enjoy as well).
- Activities will be specifically designed for each age group.
- Workshops are \$2 per week, pre-registration is required for Fun Shops and Sib Care.
- See topics below for classes and dates.

2 & 3 Year Olds

TUESDAYS, 3:45 - 4:45 PM

ALL IN ROOM #126

633	Jan 9.....	Brown Bear, Brown Bear	638	Feb 13.....	Valentine's Day
634	Jan 16.....	Polar Bear, Polar Bear	639	Feb 20.....	Friendship
635	Jan 23.....	The Snowy Day	640	Feb 27.....	Outer Space
636	Jan 30.....	The Mitten	641	March 5.....	Transportation
637	Feb 6.....	The Hat	642	March 12.....	First Flight

3 - 5 Year Olds

MONDAYS, 3:45 - 4:45 PM

ALL IN ROOM #122

733	Jan 8.....	Brown Bear, Brown Bear	737	Feb 12.....	Valentine's Day
734	Jan 22.....	The Snowy Day	738	Feb 26.....	Outer Space
735	Jan 29.....	The Mitten	739	March 4.....	Transportation
736	Feb 5.....	The Hat	740	March 11.....	First Flight



District Preschool Opportunities

Information Night and Open House!

Tuesday, January 23, 2024

4:00-6:00

Owatonna Education Center (OEC)

338 East Main Street, Owatonna, MN 55060

**Enter Door 2 off Main Street.*

- Learn more about our Little Learners (3 years) and Bright Beginnings (4 years) preschool offerings held at Roosevelt and OEC.
- Preschool presentations to learn more about the class offerings, curriculum, and daily routines.
- Teachers will be available in classrooms to answer questions and lead activities with children.
- Children are welcome to join in order to play and explore in the classrooms.
- Registration for 2024-25 will be open.



Find more information about our preschools:



Bright Beginnings: Age 4 by Sept. 1, 2024

4-5 day a week classes, morning and afternoon.

Little Learners: Age 3 by Sept. 1, 2024

2-3 day a week classes, morning and afternoon.

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Advisory Council

As a council we provide input, feedback and recommendations to our early learning programs including ECFE classes, community events, and preschool. We host community events such as the Bazaar, Blood Drives, and our annual Family Festival.

We meet the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 11:15-12:15 pm. *Child care IS provided.

Please come join a meeting, we'd love to hear from you!

Council members include

Jessica Anderson	Alyssa Judge	Brittany Rogers
Kayce Bock	Hannah Harris	London Wever
AJ Franko	Alyssa Huisenga	Kelsey Winkels
Melissa Getzke	Jes Hedberg	
Maggie Goldade	Stacey Peralta-DeFant	

Early Childhood Screening

What is it? Screening is a quick check of how your child is growing, developing, and learning. An appointment takes about 1 hour and includes hearing and vision checks as well as developmental games with one of our EC teachers. These developmental activities change based on the age of the child. Having your child screened at age 3 is preferred, but a child may be screened between the ages of 3 and the start of kindergarten.

When? Appointments are available 3 Thursdays a month and 1 Saturday a month.

Why? All children in the State of MN are required to participate in early childhood screening, free of charge. Screening appointments are designed to connect children with further educational or health resources that may be needed.

How do I sign up? To schedule your child's appointment, visit owatonna.ce.eleyo.com or call Roosevelt School at 507-444-7900.



**Early Childhood
Screening**

Frequently Asked Questions

- **Change your mind?** Please let us know as soon as possible if you decide not to take a class so that we can accommodate other families.
- A current **immunization** record is required for each child. Bring current immunization information with you at the time of registration or to your first class.
- **Full payment** for all classes is required at registration. Checks are payable to: Owatonna Community Education (Mastercard, Visa, American Express and Discover are also taken)

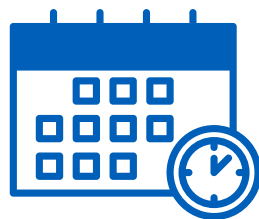


Immunization Law Minnesota law (statute 121A.15) requires children enrolling in early education programs to show they have received immunizations or that they are a conscientious objector. The Owatonna ECFE program will require an immunization on file for every child that is enrolled. Please drop off or send a current immunization to Roosevelt Community School before classes begin or bring immunization records with you to the first day of class. Thank you.

Community Information

Dates to Remember!

- **November 30:** ECFE registration begins. 6 am online or 8am in person.
- **January 2:** Classes begin for winter trimester!
- **January 23:** Preschool Open House at the Owatonna Education Center.
- **No ECFE classes: January 15, February 19**
- **March 15:** Last day of classes.



Is your child on track?

Learn more and make sure.

HelpMeGrowMN.org

or 1-866-693-GROW (4769)



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