

Quick Facts

PRESCHOOL

THE PRESCHOOL EXPERIENCE

SCHOOL DAY

8:20 a.m to 3 p.m.

HOMEROOM

20 Students to 2 teachers+1 TA.
Ages 4–5 (must be 4 before Sept. 1).

TEACHERS AND SPECIALISTS

Two lead teachers and TA provide daily instruction; full-time counselor and learning specialist; specialist teachers for woodshop, music, studio art, wellness, and library skills; equity and inclusion staff.

CONFERENCES AND CONVERSATIONS

Three parent-teacher conferences annually, as well as written reports. Weekly newsletters from homeroom and Beginning and Lower School leadership.

LEARNING SPACES

Large homeroom with distinct learning areas, a kitchen, and covered outdoor space; dedicated art studio, woodshop, music classroom, mini-gym, library, dynamic playground.

RECESS AND FIELD TRIPS

Daily outdoor recess to explore campus.

LUNCH/SNACKS

Daily choice of school lunch or bring your own.

TRADITIONS

Friday Sing (students and grownups), seasonal parades, Heritage Day, Spring Fest, and others.

TRANSPORTATION

Catlin Gabel a.m./p.m. bus routes, carpool system, and TriMet.

EXTENDED DAY PROGRAM

Typically runs from 7:20–8:20 a.m. (included in tuition) and 3–6 p.m. (additional cost).

CATLIN GABEL AT A GLANCE

MISSION AND VALUES

Catlin Gabel fosters compassionate and curious citizens of the world by inspiring in every student a love of learning and the courage to take responsible action. Values: integrity, inclusion, and kindness.

PRINCIPLES OF PROGRESSIVE EDUCATION

Experiential Learning, Spirit of Inquiry, Teaching the Whole Child, and Educating for Democracy.

2024-25 TUITION AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Tuition is \$35,350; Financial assistance (FA) available; over \$6M allocated this year; 27% of students received FA.

GEOGRAPHIC LOCATIONS AND LANGUAGES

Students come from 60 zip codes in metro area; 40 different languages spoken.

CAMPUS

67-acre main campus with fir grove, apple orchard, playing fields, and trails; 8.5-acre east campus for Community Arts Programs.

STUDENT RACE AND ETHNICITY
BEGINNING AND LOWER SCHOOL

7%	Asian / Asian American
4%	Black / African / African American
2%	East Asian / East Asian American
1%	Latinx / Hispanic
1%	Middle Eastern
34%	Multiracial
4%	Southeast Asian / Indian
46%	White
1%	Not listed / Prefer not to answer



Sample Schedule

PRESCHOOL

2024–2025

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8:20am	Arrival				
8:30–9:00am	Morning Meeting (math + literacy focused)				Friday Sing
9:00–9:45am	Explore (academics inquiry + the arts and science)				
9:45–10:00am	Reflection Meeting + Clean Up				
10:00–10:45am	Wellness, Music, Library (half-groups that rotate)				
10:45–11:10am	Social Emotional Learning				
11:10–11:30am	Lunch				
11:30–12:00pm	Playground				
12:00–12:40pm	Rest				
12:40–1:40pm	Outdoor Explore				
1:40–2:00pm	Snack and Story				
2:00–2:45pm	Studio + Woodshop (half groups that rotate)				Community Time
2:50–3:00pm	Closing Circle				
3:00pm	Dismissal				

To learn more about the Preschool curriculum, please visit catlin.edu/preschool.