

Welcome to Preschool



Hello! My name is Tracey Messina. I will be your child's preschool teacher this year along with Donna Cox.

I have been an employee of Flushing Community Schools for the past 15 years, and have worked at the ECC the entire time with children ages 5 and under.

I was a stay at home mom of four children prior to this position. When they grew older and started entering school full time. I knew I wanted to work with small children. Little ones are so eager to learn and are always optimistic and joyous! I find it very refreshing to be able to grasp that enthusiasm on a daily basis.

Our School year will begin on Monday September 18th and Tuesday September 19th depending on the class you registered for. Morning Class begins at 9:15am – 11:45 and the pm class is from 12:00pm to 3:00pm

The first two weeks of school are the toughest. There will be tears on both sides, parents and children. This is OK and we are prepared to comfort all those who may need it.

Once in the building preschool staff will assist your little ones in putting their belongings in their lockers and taking their snacks out of their backpacks.

Once in the classroom, hands are washed and nametags are found. If your child is coming from latchkey, we will assist them in washing hands and putting on their nametags.

Once they have their nametags on we direct them to the circle where I will be waiting to greet them and start our day. If you have a question and would like to know the details of our daily routine, please contact me and I can get you a copy of the day's schedule.

We will be having a snack mid-day through the class. Please send in a snack and if your child has a water bottle, they are welcome to have that as well.

We will be having recess most day. The weather in Michigan is unpredictable; please make sure your child has appropriate shoes and garments for colder weather.

We at preschool understand that accidents do happen from time to time. To help your child avoid this as much as possible we ask that you please send your child in elastic waistband pants to so that can easily be pulled up and down with minimal assistance. Same goes for shoes, Velcro fastened would be appreciated.

Please provide a complete change of clothes (including socks) to be kept in their backpack.

At the end of the day we will assist children at getting belongs and papers out of cubbies and in to back packs. Please check their backpacks at the end of each day for projects we may have done and other important information.

My phone does ring in the classroom during class; however, this may not be the best time to contact me unless it is an emergency and something I need to be made aware of immediately! I am usually in the classroom by 8am until 4:30pm most days.

My email is tracey.messina@flushingschools.org and phone number 591-2302.

I apologize for this lengthy letter but I feel it necessary for a smooth transition for you and your child! We look forward to a fun year with your child!

Sincerely,

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