

CHATFIELD COMMUNITY PRESCHOOL 2026-27

Dear Parent,

It's hard to believe, but it is time to start thinking about fall registration for preschool. Children who will be three or older by September 1, 2026 are eligible to register. The list of the preschool options available is enclosed. When registering, note the age requirements. **CLASSES FILL UP EARLY.** If you have a preference, register soon. If you have any questions, contact LuAnn Klevan at the number or email listed above.

Initial Confirmation - Letters tentatively confirming your child's class assignment will be mailed in early June. *Please note: due to low or high enrollment a class may later be canceled or added.*

Preschool Packets Mailed: Mid-July you will receive a Welcome Packet. Packets will include final confirmation, teacher assignment, supply list, Preschool Conferences information, transportation registration, and immunization forms (make sure immunizations are up-to-date.)

Preschool Conferences: This is an opportunity for parents & the preschooler to meet with the teacher. The teacher will go over information specific to the classroom, as well as some program-wide information. It is also an opportunity for you and your child to explore the room. Our goal is to help your child become more comfortable with the classroom, which makes the first day of class a little easier for both of you. This is a special time for parent and preschooler. Please make other arrangements for siblings. Conferences are tentatively scheduled for September 1st & 2nd.

Tuition Due: September 2nd **1st Day:** Preschool begins September 8th & 9th .

Note:

* Preschool will follow the school's late start Wed. schedule. **Classes start at 8:30 on Wednesdays.**

* Regarding the 4 Day plus Friday Child Care -You must have back-up child care, as **Valleyland and Friday Child Care are not available on non-instructional days and snow days.**

Registrations for currently enrolled students begins March 16th
New Student Registration opens on March 23rd .

Scan this QR code to register:



Or go to the
Community Education page of the school website (www.chatfieldschools.com)
Use the Community Education Registration link

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

When is tuition due each month? *Tuition is due the 1st of each month. There is a \$10 late fee for payments received after the 7th. Tuition is the same amount every month, regardless of the number of times the class is held. **The total cost for the year is divided into nine monthly payments.** Tuition payments may be submitted to your child's classroom, or to Community Education, 11555 Union St., Chatfield, MN 55923. Online payments are also an option. There is a 3.67% transaction fee for online payments.*

If my child will be gone for an extended period of time, will tuition be waived. *Tuition may be waived for one month. After that, tuition must be paid to hold your child's spot in the class. Requests for a waiver must be submitted in advance to the Community Education Director.*

Is there transportation to and from preschool? *Children enrolled in the 4 & 5 Year Old classes may ride the bus to school in the morning or from school in the afternoon **IF they have a bus buddy.** A bus buddy is a child (sibling or neighbor in grades 1-6) who uses the same bus stop. The bus buddy escorts the preschooler to the morning meeting place or classroom, and meets the preschooler in the cafeteria before boarding the bus at the end of the day. **If your child is eligible for the 4 & 5 year old class and is enrolled in a blended class, he/she may ride the bus with a bus buddy.***

Is childcare available before and after preschool? *Valleyland (School-Age Care) will be available each school day, 6-8 a.m. and 2:45-6 p.m. **It is not available on days your child does not attend preschool, non-instructional days or snow days.** Space is limited. When you register for preschool online, **the Valleyland registration is part of the registration process.***

Are lunches provided for full-day students? *Free breakfast & lunch are available to all preschool students. Breakfast is served around 9:00 a.m. You may want to have your child eat something before coming to preschool, as well.*

Do preschoolers nap? *Students in the 3&4 Year Old classes nap after lunch. The 4&5 Year Old classes have quiet time following lunch (includes 20 minutes of resting & then a movie).*

Does my child need to be fully toilet trained before starting preschool? *Yes, your child must be able to toilet independently. That means he or she must be able to go into the bathroom (every room has a bathroom), use the toilet, wipe and flush independently. Staff will assist with snaps and zippers. **Please work on these skills before school starts. (Please note: Wearing pull-ups is not considered fully toilet trained.)***

Is financial assistance available? ***YES!** Early Learning Scholarships are available, based on income. When submitting your registration, be sure to request a scholarship application. Applications will be sent in July. If you have questions regarding eligibility, please contact LuAnn Klevan at 867-4521 x. 5022 or lklevan@chatfieldschools.com.*

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Registration Fee: \$75

Register Online: www.chatfieldschools.com > community education > Community Education Registration

CLASS	ELIGIBILITY	DAYS	TIMES	TUITION (Due the 1 st week of the month)	BUS WITH BUS BUDDY
3& 4's – 2 Mornings	3 by Sept. 1, 2026	Mon/Wed or Tue/Thu	8:00-11:15 a.m.	\$140/ month	Not eligible
3 & 4's – 2 Full Days	3 by Sept. 1, 2026	Mon/Wed or Tue/Thu	8:00 a.m. – 2:45 p.m.	\$270/month	Not eligible
4 & 5's – 2 Full Days	4 by Sept. 1, 2026	Tue/Thu (May be blended age)	8:00 a.m. – 2:45 p.m.	\$270/month	Eligible
4 & 5's -- 3 Mornings	4 by Sept. 1, 2026	Tuesday, Wednesdays & Thursdays	8:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. (8:30 start on Wed.)	\$199/month	Eligible
4 & 5's -- 3 Full Days	4 by Sept. 1, 2026	Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays	8:00 a.m. – 2:45 p.m. (8:30 start on Wed.)	\$398/month	Eligible
4 & 5's -- 4 Full Days	4 by Sept. 1, 2026	Mondays- Thursdays	8:00 a.m. – 2:45 p.m. (8:30 start on Wed.)	\$530/month	Eligible
4 & 5's -- 4 Full Days plus Friday Child Care *	4 by Sept. 1, 2026	Mondays- Thursdays and Child Care on Fri.	8:00 a.m. – 2:45 p.m. (8:30 start on Wed.)	\$620/month	Eligible

*FRIDAY CHILD CARE (FCC)

Friday Child Care is available for children enrolled in the Four Day program for 4 & 5 Year olds. This opportunity is offered as part of the preschool program. It is NOT Valleyland. Friday Child Care is open during the regular school day hours (8 am – 2:45 p.m.). Preschoolers may ride the bus with a bus buddy, or attend Valleyland before or after FCC, as long as they are registered for Valleyland. Friday Child Care in only open when school is in session.

LUNCH/NAP/QUIET TIME

Breakfast is served to all preschoolers. Breakfast is between 8:30 and 9:30, so it may be helpful to have your child eat a little something before heading to school. Free lunch is provided for all full-day preschool students. If you prefer, you may send a cold lunch with your child. Students in the 3 & 4 Year Old classes will nap following lunch. Students in 4 & 5 Year Old classes will have a quiet time (20 minute rest, followed by a short movie/show.)

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Early Learning Scholarships are available for preschoolers. The scholarship will cover most of the tuition for preschool – this does not include Friday Child Care. Eligibility is based on income. You may request a scholarship application when registering for preschool.

(See the back page for information on Online Registration and Valleyland – School Age Care)

