Barnesville Public School and Community Education

Trojan Preschool Registration Information 2026-2027

Online Registration Begins April 15th at 6pm

*Current Preschool Families - Registration Begins April 14th | A link will be sent via SeeSaw on April 9th

An email will be sent no later than June 1st, 2026 with class placements.
If you'd prefer a letter mailed please let us know.

Preschool Program, Registration, ECFE, Screening questions:
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TROJAN PRESCHOOL
2026-2027 INFORMATION

School Readiness-Trojan Preschool is a program of Barnesville Public Schools and Community Education for children ages 3-5. The goal of our program is to provide high quality preschool experience for all children. We provide developmentally appropriate learning opportunities through play and teacher guidance to support social/emotional, physical, creative, and academic growth needed to start kindergarten. We can't do this without the support of a child's first teacher - their parent. For this reason we maintain open communication.

TROJAN PRESCHOOL STAFF

Todd Henrickson - Elementary Principal
Aaron Schindler - Community Education Coordinator
Laura Lempe - Early Childhood Coordinator, Preschool Teacher, Early Childhood Screening | Cassandra Blomberg - Preschool Aide
Breanna Chuinard - Preschool Teacher | Stacey Rotz - Preschool Aide
Kari Wilson - Elementary Secretary

TROJAN PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

In both Junior and Senior preschool classes we follow the **Early Childhood Indicators of Progress: Minnesota's Early Learning Guidelines.** The early childhood years are an important time of rapid growth and learning. Children's brains are developing more quickly at this time than at any other. They are exploring what they can do with their bodies and creating relationships with loved ones. They are investigating how the world works and their place in the world. Because of this complex and rapid development in young children, a shared set of expectations of what children can know and do is necessary to build successful early childhood programs and supports. In Minnesota, this set of shared expectations is called the Early Childhood Indicators of Progress: Minnesota's Early Learning Standards (ECIPs). The ECIPs, which are aligned with the K-12 Academic Standards, ensure equitable access to a robust education across programs for all children.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

1. Assist children in learning to live comfortably in a social environment.
2. Provide opportunities for the children to interact.
3. Enhance a child's self-esteem, self-awareness, and self-confidence by offering many opportunities for a child to succeed, express ideas , and understand his/her emotions and to attain skills to control them.
4. Provide opportunities for math, science, literacy and social science.
5. Increase attention span and follow simple directions.
6. Foster creativity and self-expression through art, music, and dramatic play.
7. Develop small motor skills by using scissors, glue, clay, blocks, puzzles, beads, pegs, etc.
8. Develop large motor skills through group games and outdoor activities.
9. Stimulate and encourage curiosity and provide opportunities for problem solving.
10. Encourage children to take care of their own needs with support from adults.

Our program is designed to maximize individual development and promote developmentally appropriate practices. The activities focus on the *process* of learning. Therefore, **the emphasis is on the experiences the children have rather than the results of those experiences**. Each child has his or her own set of possibilities and we help those possibilities unfold. Days are filled with planned and spontaneous moments of learning. There is time allowed for active outdoor play, imaginative games, independent discoveries, and group activities.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registration will take place starting at 6pm on April 15th online. Class sizes are limited.
Current Trojan Preschool families will have the opportunity to register early on April 14th.
After applications have been received and processed a confirmation email will be sent with class information before June 1st.

Online registration begins at 6pm on April 15th.
Registration Link: Will be posted on the Barnesville Public Schools Website and on Facebook. You may also go to RevTrak. Click the *Families* tab on the Barnesville Public Schools Website.

Online Registration Process
1. Choose Early Childhood Family Education, 26-27 Trojan Preschool
2. Complete an online registration form for each child.
3. $40 non-refundable registration fee is due at the time of registration.
4. A free/reduced fee application form is attached - please complete and return to the elementary office or scan and email to llempe@barnesville.k2.mn.us . We will work with you to ensure your child attends no matter your financial situation.

*If you cannot register online please contact Kari Wilson at 218-354-2300 or Laura Lempe at llempe@barnesville.k12.mn.us to request a paper registration form. Paper forms will be accepted beginning April 16th.

We will try our best to get everyone placed in their first class choice. However, **we cannot guarantee your child will be in the first class choice.**

2026-2027 PRESCHOOL CLASS INFORMATION

JUNIOR PRESCHOOL (JP) CLASS OPTION

This is the first step in our preschool program. The children in this classroom learn through large and small group activities and experiences. They begin to work on early writing and scissors skills as well as number, letter, color and shape recognition. It is our goal for the children to have many real world learning opportunities through building, pretend play, art, science, and math. We believe It's important that children of this age have time to create, explore, and pretend every single day.

REQUIREMENTS:

- Must be 3 years old by September 1st, 2026
- Attend kindergarten September 2028
- Current residents of Barnesville Public School District #146
- Toilet trained by the first day of class
- Complete Early Childhood Screening (see Early Childhood Screening information on the next page)

Junior Preschool OPTIONS	**Junior Preschool 1** (JP1) Teacher: Mrs. Chuinard 64 days	**Junior Preschool 2** (JP2) Teacher: Mrs. Lempe 64 days
Class Days and Times	Tuesday and Thursday 8:15-11:15	Tuesday and Thursday 12:00-3:00
Registration Fee Non-Refundable	$40	$40
Annual Tuition	$1056/year	$1056/year
Monthly Tuition **Free and Reduced rates available*	$117/month $146/month with bus	$117/month $146/month with bus

Total yearly tuition divided by 9 = monthly tuition

Reduced and free preschool based on income
Please complete and return included form to the Elementary School Office

SENIOR PRESCHOOL (SP) INFORMATION

Our senior preschool program guides children in learning all of the kindergarten readiness skills they need. There are planned large group activities and games as well as scheduled small group learning with the teacher. They have opportunities to work on writing skills at the art center, social skills at the pretend play center and have many hands-on experiences in the math and science centers. We believe that through play children are able to discover, pretend, test, classify, organize, and interact with others. The preschool children are encouraged to problem solve with their friends and to become independent in daily routines.

REQUIREMENTS:

- Must be 4 or 5 years old by September 1st, 2026
- Attend kindergarten September 2027
- Current residents of Barnesville Public School District #146
- Toilet trained by the first day of class
- Complete Early Childhood Screening (see Early Childhood Screening information on next page)

Senior Preschool OPTIONS	**Senior Preschool 1** (SP1) Teacher: Mrs. Lempe 125 days	**Senior Preschool 2** (SP2) Teacher: Mrs. Chuinard 89 days	**Senior Preschool 3** (SP3) Teacher: Mrs. Chuinard 84 days *CPT* - no class 5x year*
Class Days and Times	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 8:15-11:15	Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:15-11:15	Monday, Wednesday, Friday 12:00-3:00
Registration Fee Non-Refundable	$40	$40	$40
Annual Tuition	$2062.50/year	$1468/year	$1386/year
Monthly Tuition* **Free and Reduced rates available*	$229/month $285/month with busing	$163/month $203/month with busing	$154/month $192/month with busing

***Total yearly tuition divided by 9 = monthly tuition**
*CPT - Certified Planning Time for Teachers - early out at 1pm

Reduced and free preschool based on income
Please complete and return included form to the Elementary School Office

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Payment Policy
Tuition is due on the **First day of class each month beginning in September.**

Paying Tuition
Making payments:
1. Pay on your PARENT PORTAL
2. Put tuition payment (checks made payable to COMMUNITY EDUCATION) in your child's folder. This is checked daily by the teacher.

Refunds will not be made due to illness, vacation, state sports championships, storm days, or any other reason.
Preschool does not do make up days.

Rates
Free and reduced rates are available for classes based on family eligibility. Please complete the attached form and return it to the elementary school office or scan and email to llempe@barnesville.k12.mn.us.

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation
Students that live in the Barnesville School District and are on a bus route may ride the bus.

Morning Classes | Begins at 8:15 am *(NOTE: The Elementary School begins at 8:30)* and ends at 11:15 am
Before Class:
- Senior Preschool students may attend before school care at Kid's Club beginning at 6:45am. A teacher will pick the children up in the Kid's Club room before class.
- May ride bus to school if on a route - Parents must set this up with the bus company
- Parent Drop off between 8 am - 8:15 am at the front doors of the school. A teacher must see a parent before you leave your child.

After Class:
- Parents are responsible for arranging pick up at 11:15am (Carpooling is a great option for those in half day classes.)
- **Midday Bus to addresses in town.** You may register for the midday bus option online during registration.

Afternoon Classes | 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm (children must have lunch before attending afternoon class)
Before Class:
- Parent drop off at 12:00 pm
- **Midday Bus pick up for in town addresses**. You may register for the midday bus option online during registration.

After Class:
- May ride bus home - Parents must set this up through the bus company
- Parent pick up at 3:00 at the front doors of the school
- Senior Preschool students may attend after school care at Kid's Club. A teacher will drop the children off in the Kid's Club room after class.

PRESCHOOL CALENDAR

School Calendar
On next page

School Closures Due to Weather
We follow the BPS district procedure.
- BPS closed - preschool is cancelled
- BPS starts late - no morning preschool
- BPS gets out early - no afternoon preschool
- CPT Fridays - BPS early out - No SP3 class on CPT days.

EARLY CHILDHOOD SCREENING

Early Childhood Screening is a requirement for any child entering Preschool and Kindergarten in Minnesota.
Students complete screening one time. Children must be 3 years old before the date of screening. An Early Childhood Screening day is also scheduled on Tuesday, September 1st before school starts in the fall.

Spring Screening Dates:
Thursday, May 14, 2026
Friday, May 15, 2026

Registration Link: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094DA8AF2CA3FCC61-62906850-2026
- You will receive a packet of paperwork approximately 2 weeks prior to your child's screening visit
- Complete the packet and bring it to your child's screening appointment.
- Please bring your child's birth certificate and up to date immunizations to the screening appointment

2026-27 Application for ISD 146 Preschool Reduced Tuition

Names of All Children in Household First Name	Last Name	Grade (PreK-12)	Monthly SSI or Other Regular Income
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			

Names of All Adults in Household First Name	Last Name	Gross Monthly Wages and Salaries (If no wages, enter $0)	Monthly Incomes Pension, SSI, Retirement, Social Security	Public Assistance, Child Support, Alimony	Unemployment, Worker's Comp, Strike Benefits	Net Farm/ Self-Employment	Other Regular Monthly Income
1							
2							
3							
4							

Signature of Adult Household Member _____ Date _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Please return to:

Jodi Samuelson
Barnesville ISD 146
PO Box 189
Barnesville, MN 56514

Income Eligibility Guidelines

Household Size	Yearly $	Monthly $	Weekly $
1	29,825	2,485	574
2	40,306	3,359	775
3	50,787	4,232	977
4	61,269	5,106	1,178
5	71,750	5,979	1,380
6	82,231	6,853	1,581
7	92,712	7,726	1,783
8	103,194	8,600	1,985

For Office Use Only

Household Size		Household Income		Full Tuition	
Reduced Tuition 1		Reduced Tuition 2		Free	
Determined by				Date	

TROJAN PreK Calendar 2026-2027

July '26

Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

August '26

Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

21 New Teacher Workshop
24-26 Teacher Workshop

September '26

Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

1 Early Childhood Screening, PreK Meet & Greets
2-3 PreK Meet & Greets
4-7 Labor Day Weekend
8-9 First Day of PreK
25 CPT – NO SP3 CLASS

October '26

Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

14 NO PRESCHOOL – Teacher workshop
15-16 MEA – NO SCHOOL
23 CPT – NO SP3 CLASS

November '26

Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

13 NO SCHOOL
23-25 PreK Conferences - NO PREK CLASSES
26-27 Thanksgiving – NO SCHOOL

December '26

Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

22 Early Out – NO JP2 CLASS
23-31 Holiday Break – NO SCHOOL

January '27

Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

1 New Year's Day - NO SCHOOL
18 Teacher Workshop - NO SCHOOL
29 CPT – NO SP3 CLASS

February '27

Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28						

15 President's Day - NO SCHOOL
26 CPT – NO SP3 CLASS

March '27

Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

1-3 PreK Conferences - NO PREK CLASSES
26-29 Spring Break - NO SCHOOL

April '27

Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

16 CPT – NO SP3 CLASS
23 NO SCHOOL

May '27

Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

11-12 Last Day of PreK Classes
13-14 Early Childhood Screening

June '27

Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

First and Last Day of School
School Closed/ Holidays
PreK Conferences
Teacher In-service
CPT Days (1:00 p.m. early out – NO SP3CLASS)

* Preschool does not do make up days
* No refunds for storm days or closure due to state championships