

August 2018 School Edition



Welcome to The Nannies Preschool Program. We have another fun and educational program planned for the children again this year. We will continue to make education fun to enhance your child's natural love for learning. We will continue to have a weekly "Focus of the Week" calendar posted every Monday on the preschooler's communication board for you to review to help keep you current on what your child's schedule will be during that week. Please keep in mind this is subject to change if needed. Show and Tell will continue to be on Thursdays. We believe this is vital to enhance your child's public speaking, especially in a comfortable setting using articles from home that are comfortable to them. Please also remember, Show and Tell items are to be Focus of the week oriented, unless otherwise posted.

In our classes, we do not expect perfection, so we often award a child with a sticker, star or happy face, it might not be because your child did their work without flaw. Sometimes the positive enforcement is given purely for their effort. We will encourage your child to be and explorer, creator, communicator, interactor, questioner, problem solver, thinker, reasoner, and socializer. Mostly we are going to have fun building self esteem for the future!

Our preschool program starts Tuesday September 4, 2018, this will be the day that your child will start their new room!

Again, thank you for your continued support. We are looking forward to working with your preschooler! This is going to be another year of mental and physical growth.



One of our goals here at The Nannies is to help parents decrease stress levels thereby allowing them an increase in quality time spent with their children. One of the ways we are attempting to decrease stress and ensure each student has the appropriate materials necessary to be organized and ready to learn, The Nannies Unlimited Child Center and Preschool Inc. will again purchase all preschool supplies necessary for students in the Ladybug (3-4-year-old room and the Fireflies (4-5year-old room) The cost of this supply packet is \$25.00 per preschooler. Please make your payment PRIOR to Friday August 10, 2018. This will allow us time to formulate the supplies in time for the first day of preschool. You may include this payment with your weekly tuition.

Thank you to all of our family and friends who donate toys and supplies to the Center. We do appreciate this very much!

Annual

Re-registration Due:



It's that time of year again when your \$35.00 annual reregistration is due. There is a six-month

grace period for those who have paid a registration fee between February 2018 and August 2018 that will not have to pay again this year.

You can submit those payments along with your weekly tuitions. These fees will be due prior to, Monday August 10, 2018. If you have any questions please see Ms. Vickie or Ms. Cyndie.



Policy Reminders:

- Children must be signed in and out by their parents and escorted to their assigned room when arriving and leaving the Center. (Please do not allow your children to write on the sign in record, parents only).
- Children who are not going to attend the Center for the day, please notify us prior to 8:00 am. This allows us to adjust our staffing and meal counts accordingly.
- ~Weekly tuitions continue to be DUE on Monday for the week your child is attending. There are late fees assessed after Monday at 5:30 p.m. Please include a \$10.00 late fee on Tuesday if you did not remit payment on Monday.
- ~If your child will be attending elementary school this year (2018-2019), please remember to sign in on the "Hornet" communication sheet located east of the coffee maker in the front foyer.

Back to School

The children appear to be really enjoying their summer session, however, everything comes to and end! With only a few weeks until school begins we would like to touch base with you again in regards to your plans for your child this school year. Each year we have numerous calls from parents inquiring about our school program. Since we try to cater to our current parents, we need to know how many children will continue attending the Center this fall. This information will help us route cans and know if we can accommodate children who do not attend at this time. We have some "new" schoolers (kindergartners) so we need to review things that are specific to children in school. If your child rides the bus: the first week or so fo school, we assign an older child to your kindergartner to assure they get on and off of the bus at the right place. This works well.

If your child attends Four Mile Elementary, Delaware Elementary, Runnells Elementary, Centennial Elementary, Willowbrook Elementary or St. Joseph's the bus pick up for those children will be between 7:30 a.m. and 8:30 located at the entrance of our a.m. parking lot. Specific bus times wil be coming later. Our staff attends to the children while they wait for the bus and the bus leaves. On Wednesdays the children of Southeat Polk Elementary schoolers get out of school early, and return to the entrance of our parking lot. Again, our staff waits for them as they

disembark from the bus and into the building. If your child attends Pleasant Hill Elementary, the new school hours wil be 7:30-2:25 pm and Wednesdays 7:30 am - 1:50 pm. Our staff will take your child(ren) to and from school in one of our vans. All vans have restraint systems in place. We will immediately notify you if your child is not available to be picked up by our van or is not delivered by the bus after school. Please continue to use the Schooler's (Hornets) Communication Sheet located under the bulletin board in the main lobby for any communication you need to convey to your child's before or after school teacher. This communication sheet is reserved for school aged children only. Our teacher's will initial the sheet after they read it to let you know they read it. The rate for the before and after school program is \$80.00/week per child. This rate includes an after school snack, transportation to and from school and a "reserved spot" at the center for various reasons, such as a no school day or days when the children get out of school early. If the children <u>do not</u> have school on a particular day there is an additional \$40.00 drop in charge. We post "sign up sheets" for scheduled "no school days" on the Hornet Bulletin Board to assist us with staffing and food prep. If you sign up your student you must prepay for the day. If there is a change in your plans, and the student does not attend that day you are not eligible for a refund. If there is more than one day of "no school", your rate never exceeds the weekly rate of \$125.00/week. Here are examples. Week one-school all week = \$80.00/child. Week two - no school on one day that week = \$120.00/child (\$80.00 + \$40 drop in).

Week three-no school for two days that week = \$125.00/child (never over \$125.00/week). If space is available the rate for before or after school is \$60.00 per week per child. If you ask for your child to come during breaks only, you will need to call well before each break to check if there is an opening available. Reminder: Your school-aged child is no longer considered full time so they are not eligible for any discounts such as multiple children.



Quíet Tíme:

All children will be encouraged to take a nap or have quiet time. Children benefit from rest periods every day. That way they won't be too tired to enjoy their families during the evening participate in the afternoon activities with renewed energy. As a child gets older most children begin to resist taking naps, however, we will encourage the child to take a nap. Our quiet/nap time is from approximately 11:30 am until 1:30 pm in the Toddler/Two-year-old room and 12:00 pm. until 2:00 pm in the preschool rooms. Children who are two years of age and younger will be allowed to do a planned quiet activity if they are not sleeping within 45 minutes after beginning of naptime and/or when they wake from their nap and have been supervised to toilet. Preschool aged children (ages 3years-5years not enrolled in elementary school) will be allowed to do a planned quiet activity if they are not sleeping within 20 minutes after the

beginning of naptime and/or when they wake from their nap and have been supervised to the toilet.

We encourage parents to bring their children prior to naptime for this can be very disruptive for the other children and can be upsetting for your child if they take a nap as soon as they arrive.



Another school year will soon begin. Here is a story we would like to share with you. Treasure every moment with your children, they do go by quickly.

You were six months old and full of fun, with a blink of my eye, you were suddenly one. There were so many things we were going to do, but I turned my head and you turned two. At two you're very dependent on me, but independence took over when you turned three. Your third birthday, another year I tried to ignore. Four was the year that you really strived, why look at you now, your already five.

Now you are ready for books and for rules. This is the year that you go to school. The big day came, you were anxious to go, we walked to the bus, going oh so slow. As you climbed aboard and waved goodbye, a lump in my throat and tears stung my eyes.

Time goes so fast, it's hard to believe that yesterday you were home here with me. And tomorrow when the bus brings you

home and you jump to the ground; you'll be wearing your cap and graduation gown. So, I'm holding to these moments as hard as I can, because the next time I look, I'll be seeing a man/woman.



Immunizations

As part of the preparation for your child going to school, you should find and review their immunization records. Are their shots current? Many schools are being rigid about not allowing children to attend school who do not meet their current immunization requirements. Preparing early and getting your child immunized can prevent a frantic call to your Pediatrician and a rush to get shots.

What shots does your child need to attend kindergarten or the first grade? In addition to the shots they received as an infant, school age children usually need booster doses of the MMR, DTaP and IPV vaccines. These boosters are commonly given at the 4-6-year-old well child visits.

In addition to these boosters, your child may also need the chickenpox vaccine (Varivax) if they haven't already been immunized or had a natural case of chickenpox and the Hepatitis B series. Older children also require a tetanus booster. This is usually given around the age of twelve years.

Further questions please see talk to your physician.

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Preschool 2018-2019.

Just a reminder that The Nannies Unlimited Child Center and Preschool Inc. preschool program begins the <u>first Tuesday after Labor Day, September 4, 2018</u> and continues through until the middle of May 2019.

Classes will be held Monday through Friday 8:30 am until 11:00 am.

Children who turn three years of age <u>PRIOR</u> to September 15, will participate in our "Ladybug" preschool program and those children who have turned the age of four <u>PRIOR</u> to September 15, will participate in our "Firefly" preschool program.

The Preschool Teachers will make the children's room changes on <u>Thursday August 23, 2018.</u> Parents, when <u>picking your child up from daycare this day, please go to their new assigned room.</u> The Ladybug room is located in the lower level of the preschool building and the Fireflies are located on the main floor in the preschool building. <u>On Wednesday August 24, 2018 parents may begin taking their "preschooler" to their appropriate room.</u>

