



The Master's Study

Preschool Program Readiness & Eligibility

Philosophy of the Preschool Room

We have worked hard over the years to develop an academically challenging yet plenty-of-fun preschool curriculum at The Master's Study. Using the *My Father's World* curriculum as a springboard, we introduce an alphabetical letter each class day with an accompanying Bible truth that is interwoven throughout the various activities of the day. Activities focus on basic early learning concepts with age-appropriate recognition, the development of both large and fine motor skills, and learning how to live as a friend and neighbor to classmates. Although our activities focus on purposeful cognitive development of each child, the underlying thread that is woven throughout is the child's recognition of God's amazing gift of love for them and how, in their own preschool-age way, they can honor and glorify Him daily. This is mission critical for The Master's Study preschool program.

Requirements for eligibility for Pre-K3/4

- Children should be at least 3-years-old by September
- Children should be fully potty-trained by start date of school year
- This is a half-day program. Please make certain that your child is ready to follow along with the teacher in a classroom setting.

Requirements for eligibility for Pre-K4/5

- Children should be at least 4-years-old by September
- Children should be fully potty-trained by start date of school year
- Families should see student placement in this class as the final PreK year prior to Kindergarten
 - Families uncertain about future kindergarten placement should consider placement in the 3/4s class &/or visit with PreK staff for guidance.
- This is a LONG, full-day program: Although there will be a learning curve for all the children in the room, please make certain that your child is ready to follow along with the teacher in a classroom setting.

What we teach

A student's day begins with Center Time in the morning. Academic pursuits regularly include Circle Time, Bible time, Fine Motor (*working on letters, first names, and cutting*), Art, Music, Muscles & Me (*large muscle*), Math & Logic Fun, and Exploring God's World (*science*). Students also experience morning snack, and lunch followed by rest time. A weekly update is posted each week on our Preschool Room page detailing the specific activities of the upcoming Monday.

Supplies for our room

The Preschool Program tuition does provide funds for most supplies needed. However, some supply needs are still met using a co-op style model. At the beginning of each semester a list is posted with needed items and parents then contribute as they are able. Typical items on this list include those elements which can easily be acquired at little cost or may be already present in your own kitchen or craft cabinet.

Each parent is also asked to consider supplying a snack for the entire room at least one time during the school year. We are extremely grateful to our parents for their contributions.



How we are staffed

The Preschool Program is staffed with a teacher, aid and volunteer for each of the two classrooms. We work hard to maintain a better than 1:5 adult to child ratio in our rooms. For activities such as Centers and Lunch, the children in the Preschool Program are all together. The rest of their day they are in two individual rooms or divided into small groups in order that students might receive more individual attention geared toward their age-specific needs. We have a maximum number of students for each room set at 13 for our older group and 12 for our younger group.