



ANSWERS TO FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS: PRESCHOOL AND PRE-KINDERGARTEN

Preschool: Who can attend and when are classes scheduled?

- Preschool begins for children who are 3 years of age by September 1.
- Half day: Tuesday and Thursday, 8:30 – 11:15
- Full day: Tuesday and Thursday, 8:30 – 11:15 class and Preschool Plus extended care until 2:45
- You may always start with half day and add additional afternoons as the year progresses, committing to that schedule for the remainder of the school year.

Pre-Kindergarten: Who can attend and when are classes scheduled?

Pre-Kindergarten begins for children 4 years of age by September 1.

- Morning half-day: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 8:30 to 11:15
- Afternoon half-day: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 12:00 – 2:45
- Full-day: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 8:30 to 11:15 in Preschool Plus extended care, and lunch, recess and afternoon half-day Pre-K class
- There is an option to Preschool Plus extended care Monday, Wednesday, and Friday until 5:30
- You may always start with half day and add additional afternoons as the year progresses, committing to that schedule for the remainder of the school year.

What does an average day look like?

Group time: calendar, weather, sharing bag, Jesus time (Chapel on Wednesdays),

Gym, bathroom break, snack and quiet reading

Center time: always a craft; sensory table; dramatic play as well as other options

Teaching time

Outside play

What is our approach to learning?

Key components include:

- **Faith Development**

Redeemer offers students an environment that nurtures spiritual and academic growth. Jesus is taught not only during Jesus Time, but is part of every teaching and learning moment.

- **Guided Discovery**

Children learn in and through their environment. Teachers gently guide children to explore visually, kinesthetically, and auditorily.

- **Learning Centers**

We can respond to individual abilities and interests and provide a sense of responsibility and choice. Children learn by making choices, and it thereby encourages children to make decisions. Learning centers reflect key developmental and curricular areas.

- **Language and Literacy Development**

We nurture children's abilities to convey their ideas, thoughts, and feelings through speaking and writing, and their ability to demonstrate early reading skills.

- **Executive Function**

We focus on the development of skills necessary for learning, such as self-regulation, attention, and persistence.

- **Social and Emotional Development**

Our teachers train and redirect your child in being able to express and regulate feelings and develop relations with others.

- **Physical Development and Wellness**

We provide your child opportunities to build large and small-muscle skills, strength, stamina, and the knowledge needed to live a healthy lifestyle.

- **Cognitive Development**

Our teaching supports the mental processes needed to think, make sense of the world, and understand knowledge across different subjects, including mathematics, science, and social studies.

- **Creative Expression**

We help your child creatively explore the arts, movement, drama, and music.