Registration Form

Welcome to the Children's Museum Preschool! We are so happy that you have chosen our school to begin your child's educational journey. Please complete this portion and return with your \$100 non-refundable registration fee to begin the process for a preschool placement for your child. Please print.

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The Children's Museum Preschool

180 Mohegan Dr. West Hartford, CT 860-523-7449

"Where Learning is Child's Play"

Program Philosophy

The Children's Museum Preschool is a **play-based program** that encourages and develops learning through each child's natural activities. Experts agree that by learning through play, children will find education to be a positive and joyous process. Our focus on this philosophy is at the core of our curriculum.

We know that all children are different, and each one comes to us with different strengths and areas for growth. Using proven techniques and following the CT Early and Development Standards, we tailor our classes to be sensitive to the needs of each individual child while maintaining an affirming and inclusive environment for all.

Our experienced and degreed educators encourage children to explore, imagine and create which, in turn, enhances and develops each child's critical thinking skills, scientific understanding, mathematic skills, creativity and ability to express themselves. We structure our classes and activities to facilitate the growth of important social skills such as: sharing, taking turns, and respecting the rights of others.

A typical school day includes activities and experiential learning that enhance social, emotional, intellectual, and physical growth. Each week on a rotating basis, our children experience developmentally appropriate science classes taught by museum educators, as well as animal demonstrations with our wildlife sanctuary staff. Children in the preschool often explore the museum with their teachers as guides. As an added bonus, Preschool Families receive a **Museum Family Membership** giving families the opportunity to visit and explore the museum together.

As children progress through our program, they learn the skills that give them a wonderful start in the lifelong journey of learning. We are looking forward to adding your family to our family, here at the Children's Museum Preschool.

Meet the Staff:

Julie Bostrom: Preschool Director

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Miss Julie has degrees in Psychology/Child Psychology and Early Childhood, and brings 27 years of experience teaching Pre-K and Kindergarten. Using Lively Letter program and Letter Bags, she makes phonics fun! Julie is excited to engage in more Director Credential courses.







Christina Maldonado: Head Teacher Preschool 2/Assistant Director

Miss Christina has her Early Childhood Teaching Certificate (113) and brings over 12 years of experience in Early Childhood in both the private sector and public school. Letter songs are heard all day throughout the classroom.

Ivorine Martell: Head Teacher Preschool I

Miss Ivy has her Early Childhood degree and has worked teaching preschoolers for 13 years. Laughter is heard often in the room with our youngest preschoolers. Favorite Day: Friday Dance Party Day

Kristen Murphy: Head Teacher Pre-K

Miss Kristen has a degree in Early Childhood Education with a minor in Special Education. Kristen is always full of energy that she carries out throughout the day!







The Children's Museum Preschool 2023 Tuition

Part-time Preschool 8:30 am - 12:30 pm Monday through Friday \$270 per week

- Tuition is paid for the upcoming week, payment due each Monday, and monthly payments due 1st Monday of the Month.
- Part time tuition is based on a 5 day a week program, not discounted for fewer days. We do not piggyback students, but save that classroom placement for your child.
- Part-time preschool can be an Academic Year Sept.-June, or Full Year.

Full-time Preschool 8 am - 5 pm Monday through Friday \$330 per week

- Tuition is paid for the upcoming week, payment due each Monday, and monthly payments due 1st Monday of the Month.
- Full-time tuition is based on a 5 day a week program, not discounted for fewer days or hours. We do not piggyback students, but save that classroom placement for your child.
- Full-time preschool can be Academic Year Sept.-June, or Full Year.
- A Partial Scholarship may be available for Full time-full year families below 75% of the state's median income. Limited availability

We do not follow West Hartford Public School's Calendar. School is closed New Year's Day, the first day of Passover, Easter Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot, Thanksgiving Day and the day after, Christmas Eve and the day after, two development days and one med. training day.

<u>Care for Kids Subsidy Program</u>- The Children's Museum Preschool participates in the Connecticut Care 4 Kids Program.