Preschool

Information Packet 2024-2025





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MACCRAY Public Schools ISD #2180

About Our Preschool Programs:

MACCRAY Public School takes pride in investing in our youngest learners and in preparing children and families for success in school. MACCRAY preschool is a program for children 3 to 5 years of age who are not yet enrolled in Kindergarten. The goal of our preschool program is to provide children with a fun and enriched preschool experience that will assist parents with the emotional, social, intellectual, and physical development of their child.



Why Parents Choose District Preschool Programs:

A Four Star Parent Aware Rated Program!

Our preschool programs have earned a four-star rating from Minnesota's Parent Aware- the highest rating possible! The Parent Aware rating system helps parents find preschools and childcare programs focused on high quality early learning and kindergarten readiness.



Our Curriculum

Our preschool programs offer fun and meaningful experiences for the children through music, literacy, writing, math, science, technology, as well as fine and gross motor activities. We continue to implement Creative Curriculum for Preschool into the classrooms, along with the Teaching Strategies Gold to assess student progress throughout the school year. Because play is a young child's "work", play and many other hands-on experiences are an important part of your child's day. During play with other students, children learn problem solving skills, sharing, creativity, imagination, development of relationships, and much more. We offer a fun, safe, and caring learning environment that seeks to meet the needs of every child, filling their days with endless learning opportunities.

Our daily routines consist of circle times with books, songs, calendar, number sense, and letter recognition. Centers, free play, small group and individual instruction along with whole group instruction, and large motor activities, both in the classroom and gym, are also part of the learning experience. All instruction and learning experiences are developmentally appropriate and based on the Early Childhood Indicators of Progress (ECIPS), which are the state standards for learning, growth, and development in 3 to 5 year olds.



Our programs are overseen by the Elementary Principal, Community Ed Director, and the Early Childhood Coordinator. Our classrooms are equipped with fully licensed early childhood professionals as lead teachers and experienced classroom assistants to support the teachers.

How to Contact Us

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School Readiness, Early Childhood Screening

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What's Inside:

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- How To Register
- · Preschool At A Glance
- Registration Forms

^{*}All programming and scholarships are contingent on state statute and funding.



^{*}All packet information is subject to change.

Help Your Child Thrive!

Early Childhood Screeningklosterboerk@maccray.k12.mn.us
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Early Childhood Screening provides an opportunity for children and their parents to participate in a health and developmental screening. Minnesota state law requires that children be screened before beginning kindergarten and recommends that screening be completed at age three. Early identification of potential problems or concerns allows time for intervention during the critical formative years.

Early Childhood Special Education

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Early Childhood Special Education is a MACCRAY Public Schools program that provides early intervention and preschool special education to young children, age birth to kindergarten, who show a developmental delay in the general areas of speech and language, large and fine motor skills, social and emotional behavior, cognitive and/or adaptive skills, or have vision or hearing losses. After a child receives a formal evaluation to identify specific needs, trained ECSE teachers and specialists will work with the parents and child to develop and reach his/her greatest potential. From birth to age three, these Special Education services are delivered to the child primarily in his/her home or child care center. From age three to Kindergarten, children receive these services at a variety of early childhood locations.



Help Me Grow provides resources that help families better understand developmental milestones and discover if there may be concerns in certain areas of growth and development. Area service providers provide free early intervention referral services to assist families in finding and coordinating resources for their birth to three year old children. If you have concerns about your child's development and think your child might need extra help to learn or if your child has significant medical or health issues, visit www.helpmegrowmn.org.

How to Register School Readiness/Preschool

Registration Checklist

- Register online
- Current Immunization Records
- Early Childhood Screening completed or appointment scheduled
- □ \$50 non-refundable registration fee

ALL documents must be turned in before a registration is accepted. Registration will kick off on Thursday, March 14th! If you are unable to attend our registration night event, the registration link will be open starting Friday, March 15th.

All registration will be online.

Fees and Information

*In August, families enrolled will receive a welcome letter from their classroom teachers, as well as a preschool calendar with dates specific to preschool.

*Preschool payments are based on tuition averaged out over the 9 months of the school year, so even though the number of classes or days may vary slightly each month, the fee will remain constant. The fees are only a portion of what it costs to educate each child in our programs. Additional scholarship opportunities are also available. (See registration form for details)

*Breakfast and lunch are available every day.
To set up your child's Food Service account, to make payments, or to receive a Free and Reduced Meal application, contact your school secretary.

Am I in?

YES! We will call you only if your first choice is not available. If you receive a call you can choose to:

- . Go on to the waitlist
- Choose another available class option
- Do both! We could call you if your first choice becomes available and make that switch.

Preschool Options At A Glance

Cubs 3-Year Old Preschool

*Must be 3 by September 1, 2024 and potty trained

2 Full Day (8:00-3:30)

4 Full Days (8:00-3:30) Tuesday-Friday

Kits 4-Year Old Preschool

2 Full Day (8:00-3:30)

4 Full Days (8:00-3:30) Tuesday-Friday

MACCRAY Public Schools Preschool Registration Form 2024-2025

PLEASE PRINT * Required element

* <u>Child's Name</u> : last	first	middle	
* Child's Date of Birth: (mm/dd/yyyy)		* Gender: M F	
Primary Language:			
* Has your child had an early childhood s	creening?(If No, appt. re	equired) Yes No	
*Is your child receiving Special Education	Services? Yes No_		
*Parent Name: last	first		
	City/State/Zip		
* Phones:(mom)			
* <u>Email</u> :			
Child lives with: Both parents same home		rent homes	
Mother only			
Who has legal custody of child?(Please provid	e legal court custody paperwo	ork)	
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REGISTRATION ~ ALL REQUIRED EI			
Placements and Fundings finalized in th	e summer		
Preferred Class: Cubs 3-Year Old Presch	ool		
*Must be 3 by Septen	nber 1, 2024		
2 Full Days (8:00-3:		~ Cost \$160/month	
4 Full Days (8:00-3:	30) Tuesday-Friday	~ Cost \$320/month	
<u>Kits</u> 4-Year Old Prescho	ool		
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4 Full Days (8:00-3:	,	~ Cost \$320/month	
Other requests or special needs we should be			
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* <u>Amount enclosed:</u> (Nonrefundable \$50	reg. fee)		
Payment type: check payable to ISD 2180			
No confirmation calls will be made unless we were	unable to accommodate yo	ur first choice.	
Call Kristine at 320-847-2154 with questions. Return completed FORMS & payment to:			
MACCRAY Elementary % Kristine Klosterboer PC	Box 690 Clara City, MN	56222	

Student Name			School Year
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