

TODDLER PROGRAM

PROGRAM	AGE RANGE	MAXIMUM CLASS SIZE	TEACHER :STUDENT RATIO	SCHEDULE OPTIONS	
TODDLER HOUSE	15 months To 3 years	12 children	2 or 3 teachers 4:1 or 5:1	3 days: M-W-F or T-W-Th 4 days: M-T-Th-F 5 days: M-F	Mornings: 8:30 – 12:30 Full Day: 8:30 – 3:30

With a low student-teacher ratio, Winfield’s Toddler program helps bridge the child’s transition from home to school.

Our toddler classrooms are specially designed and scaled to a young child’s size and focuses on several areas that are developing rapidly at this age. These include gross & fine motor movement, sensorial, practical life, and language skills. Outdoor play is part of each day as children develop a connection with nature and the changing seasons.

A toddler’s natural inclination for independence is respected by giving them the skills and tools to be able to accomplish tasks independently.

We provide opportunities for freedom and exploration in a safe and peaceful atmosphere. The children learn to take care of themselves and their surroundings and develop skills to communicate with one another.

Making first friends and learning how to function within a community is a life-shaping experience for your child. Your child emerges with the skills to make friends – how to be caring and compassionate, communicate feelings, and solve problems together.

To be a toddler is to be curious. There are so many things to see, touch, hear, feel and do! Beautiful materials which stimulate their senses are rotated frequently on low shelves to pique your child’s curiosity. They are encouraged to move freely around the classroom, to choose activities and explore their own interests.

PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

PROGRAM	AGE RANGE	MAX CLASS SIZE	TEACHER :STUDENT RATIO	SCHEDULE OPTIONS	
CHILDREN'S HOUSE (Preschool)	Mixed age 2 yrs. 11 mths to 6 years	14-21 children	2 or 3 teachers 7:1	3 days: M-W-F or T-W-Th 4 days: M-T-Th-F 5 days: M-F	Mornings: 8:30 – 12:30 Full Day: 8:30 – 3:30

Winfield's Preschool program offers a relaxed, non-competitive, and stimulating environment where children learn at their own pace.

The classrooms are warm and inviting environments, designed to spark your child's curiosity and stimulate the senses. The children develop a drive to help care for their classroom, further deepening the bonds of the community and their quest to learn.

Your child will be introduced to a broad range of concepts and activities in individual and small group lessons. Our Montessori-credentialed teachers are trained to connect each child with the lesson best suited to their ability and readiness at that moment. Purposeful activities are designed to sustain uninterrupted, focused learning opportunities. True learning occurs through independently choosing an activity – exploring it, repeating and perfecting the skill.

There are also times for group activity and play. Ample time is also given to run, dig, explore and play with friends in our Outdoor Classroom.

The mixed-age groupings of each preschool classroom allow younger children to learn from the activities of older peers and provide the older children the opportunity to teach and nurture the younger child. peers and provide the older children the opportunity to teach and nurture the younger child.

KINDERGARTEN/THIRD YEAR PROGRAM

PROGRAM	AGE RANGE	MAX CLASS SIZE	TEACHER :STUDENT RATIO	SCHEDULE OPTIONS	
Kindergarten 3RD YEAR PROGRAM	4 yrs 9 mths to 6 years	16 children	2 teachers 8:1	Must attend M-F mornings and may extend 3, 4, or 5 afternoons	Mornings: 8:30 – 12:30 Full Day: 8:30 – 3:30

Kindergarten is the culmination of the Early Childhood (Preschool) program. Children exhibit the independence, critical thinking, collaboration, and leadership that they have been practicing during their previous years.

Kindergarteners are introduced to progressively more advanced Montessori materials and sophisticated, fascinating lessons. And they experience an important period in which their previous learning from working with concrete Montessori materials begins to become permanent knowledge. They are guided to challenging work in every academic area of the classroom: reading, writing, and mathematics, as well as social studies, the arts and sciences.

In addition to academic preparation, the 3rd Year program continues to emphasize social, emotional and physical development. The greatest qualities that the K/3rd Year child develops are those that build character, such as confidence, self-motivation, and empathy.

Two Unique aspects of the Third Year Program: Students are invited to undertake a “capstone study,” a special project designed around each child’s unique interests. Our artist-in-residence program and community outreach projects round out the Kindergarten/3rd Year to ensure this is a meaningful, challenging, and memorable experience.