



**ISD110**

# **District 110**

## **Waconia Wildcat**

### **Preschool**

### **2022-2023**

**For Families With Children**  
**Ages Three to Five**



**Waconia Wildcat Preschool**  
provided by District 110 Community Education,  
is a 4-Star Parent Aware Program.

**Early Childhood Family Center**  
Phone: 952-442-0613 / Fax: 952-442-0619  
520 Industrial Blvd., Waconia, MN 55387  
Community Education 952-442-0610  
[www.waconiacommunityed.org](http://www.waconiacommunityed.org)

# **Welcome to District 110**

## **Waconia Wildcat Preschool**

Waconia Community Education connects, empowers, and enriches lives through lifelong learning and service to our community. Early Childhood Education is a core component of Community Education where families and young children begin their relationship with Waconia Schools. We recognize that every student has unique needs. It is our goal to offer the best learning environment for your child. Academic and support specialists collaborate with classroom teachers to deliver classroom instruction. This collaboration is designed to support each child who comes through our door to reach his/her full potential.

**Waconia Wildcat Preschool** provides innovative classrooms where creativity and imagination flourish. Our inclusive program helps all children discover a joy of learning. Your child will be immersed in a stimulating environment that encourages physical, intellectual, and emotional development through play based investigation, purposeful questioning and exploration for deep learning and a seamless transition to kindergarten.

There are other preschool options available in Waconia, but our preschool is the only preschool that aligns with the Waconia School District curriculum and the overall K-12 system. We work closely with Early Childhood Special Education and kindergarten teachers to foster a successful transition from preschool to kindergarten.

### **Waconia School Community Education**

952-442-0610

[www.waconiacommunityed.org](http://www.waconiacommunityed.org)

516 Industrial Blvd. Waconia

Office Hours: 7:30 am-4:00 pm

### **Early Childhood Office**

952-442-0613

520 Industrial Blvd. Waconia

Office Hours: 8:00 am-4:00 pm

### **Preschool Location**

Waconia Enrichment Center

520 Industrial Blvd, Waconia

### **Additional Resources**

Early Childhood Special Education

952-442-0600

### **Community Education Director**

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# Goals of District 110 Preschool

At ISD110, our mission is to allow students to explore their passions and create success. In early childhood we give children a high quality preschool experience in partnership with parents. We strive to educate, collaborate, challenge, empower and support families, nurture development and treat all with respect.

We believe:

- Parents are children's first and most important teachers
- Licensed teachers nurture and provide structure to support young learners and parents
- Research based curriculum embedded with standardized goals will provide learning to ensure kindergarten readiness
- Classroom environments should be carefully designed to support developmentally appropriate exploration for preschool children
- Play opens the world of learning for the preschool child

## We are a Pyramid Model School

Pyramid model is a social and emotional framework incorporated into the curriculum to ensure high quality classrooms for all students. Teachers are supported to implement this framework through the Minnesota Centers of Excellence. Children will benefit from this program through learning life long skills such as: friendship, self regulation, problem solving and learning about emotions.



## Parent Aware



Waconia Wildcat Preschool earned a Four Star Parent Aware Rating. Parent Aware Star Ratings help parents find programs that go above and beyond to prepare children for school and life. To earn this top rating, a program must demonstrate the following:

- Exemplifies a truly engaged school readiness program for parents
- Conducts ongoing assessment of student's progress
- Continually adapts lesson plans and goals to meet individual needs
- Regularly updates parents on child's progress
- Has staff trained on children's developmental disabilities
- Communicates across cultures
- Provides staff with annual professional development on relevant early childhood topics

# Curriculum

*Creative Curriculum:* This is our base curriculum. Creative Curriculum includes developmentally appropriate goals and objectives for children within four main categories of interest: social/emotional, physical, cognitive and language. Teachers use Creative Curriculum as their guide to set-up their classrooms, observe children and ensure they are teaching to the whole child.

*Second Step:* This is our social-emotional curriculum. Second Step is research-based, teacher-informed, and classroom-tested to promote the social-emotional development, safety, and well-being of young children. When children enter kindergarten with self-regulation and well-rounded social-emotional skills, they are set-up for success.

*Foundations:* This is our language arts curriculum. Foundations assists children with phonemic awareness, phonics and letter formation.

Wildcat Discovery Park offers children a nature-based outdoor playground experience. An early childhood edible garden, a fort building area, a unique sand box created out of logs and traditional play equipment are available.

Waconia Wildcat Preschool is inclusive and open to all children.

## **Class Activities promote age appropriate:**

- **Social/Emotional Skills**

- interacting with peers and adults
- learning class rules and routines
- developing self-regulation
- learning about emotions
- problem solving
- friendship skills

- **Self-help Skills**

- performing tasks independently
- following health and safety rules

- **Physical Skills**

- eye-hand coordination
- cutting and drawing
- coordinating body movements
- outdoor and indoor play

- **Science**

- STEM activities
- building curiosity in our natural world

- **Math Skills**

- colors
- numbers, counting
- shapes, sizes, sequencing
- name recognition
- patterns and sorting

- **Literacy Skills**

- vocabulary
- comprehension
- letter recognition
- concepts of print
- phonemic awareness



# Calling all cubs who want to be a Wildcat!

## Open House and Registration

Join us for our Waconia Wildcat Preschool **Virtual Open House on Tuesday, February 15, 2022 from 7:00-7:30 pm on Zoom.** Meet the Preschool Team and learn about ISD110 Wildcat Preschool.

**Current** preschool families may begin enrolling on Monday, February 28 and continue through Friday, March 11. **New** families may begin enrolling online on Tuesday, March 22 at 7:30 am. A \$45.00 non-refundable registration fee is due at the time of registration.

Scholarships may be available for income eligible families. Call for more information about the scholarships.

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## About the Staff

Waconia Wildcat Preschool teachers are highly trained in best practices and assessment. Teaching staff are licensed by the MN Dept. of Education. We also employ support staff for students, teaching assistants and parent educators. Continuing education and staff development are available throughout the school year. Go to our website to see more information about our teaching staff.

[Waconia Wildcat Staff](#)

# Waconia Wildcat Preschool: Session 1 & 2

**Children must be 3 years by September 1, 2022**

Waconia Enrichment Center  
September 6, 2022-May 25, 2023  
Tuesday and Thursday  
8:30-11:00 am  
Session 1 Teacher: Ms. Mary  
Session 2 Teacher: Ms. Laura



We have created a classroom environment to meet students who are three and early four years old through hands on engaged learning while paving a road for academic growth. Before and after school childcare is available through Kids' Company. Koch bus transportation is provided for qualifying families or for an additional charge.

## **Fees:**

- A non-refundable registration fee of \$45.00 due at time of registration
- A non-refundable one time supply/field trip fee of \$80.00 due September 1
- Tuition payments begin on September 1

## **Families have the opportunity to attend:**

- New families participate in Listening Conferences. Returning families can attend an Open House on Thursday, Sept. 1, 2022
- Parent/teacher conferences twice per school year
- Special Events throughout the school year
- Volunteer Opportunities

### **MONTHLY TUITION—2 day program**

Due on the first of every month September-May

Annual Gross Income	Monthly Tuition	Supply/Field Trip
1. See guidelines page Under \$65,000	Pathway or Reduced Scholarship	\$0.00 / \$40.00
2. Full Monthly Tuition	\$110.00	\$80.00

# **Waconia Wildcat Preschool: Session 3 & 4**

**Children must be 3 years by September 1, 2022**

Waconia Enrichment Center  
September 7, 2022-May 26, 2023  
Monday, Wednesday & Friday  
8:30-11:00 am  
Session 3 Teacher: Ms. Mary  
Session 4 Teacher: Ms. Laura

This classroom was created for children that are three and four years old. We will concentrate on building your child's self confidence in a learning environment. Before and after school childcare is available through Kids' Company. Koch bus transportation is provided for qualifying families or for an additional charge.

## **Fees:**

- A non-refundable registration fee of \$45.00 due at time of registration
- A non-refundable one time supply/field trip fee of \$105.00 due September 1
- Tuition payments begin on September 1

## **Families have the opportunity to attend:**

- New families participate in Listening Conferences. Returning families can attend an Open House on Thursday, Sept. 1, 2022
- Parent/teacher conferences twice per school year
- Special Events throughout the school year
- Volunteer Opportunities



## **MONTHLY TUITION—3 day program**

Due on the first of every month September-May

Annual Gross Income	Monthly Tuition	Supply/Field Trip
1. See guidelines page Under \$65,000	Pathway or Reduced Scholarship	\$0.00 / \$52.50
2. Full Monthly Tuition	\$155.00	\$105.00

# Waconia Wildcat Preschool: Session 5 & 6

**Children must be 3 years by September 1, 2022**

Waconia Enrichment Center  
September 6, 2022-May 25, 2023  
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday  
12:00-2:30 pm  
Session 5 Teacher: Ms. Mary  
Session 6 Teacher: Ms. Laura



This offering is best suited for children who are four or five years old, but may not be attending Kindergarten in the fall of 2022. Kindergarten Readiness skills will be a priority as well as problem solving and making friends. Before and after school childcare is available through Kids' Company. Koch bus transportation is provided for qualifying families or for an additional charge.

## **Fees:**

- A non-refundable registration fee of \$45.00 due at time of registration
- A non-refundable one time supply/field trip fee of \$130.00 due September 1
- Tuition payments begin on September 1

## **Families have the opportunity to attend:**

- New families participate in Listening Conferences. Returning families can attend an Open House on Thursday, Sept. 1, 2022
- Parent/teacher conferences twice per school year
- Special Events throughout the school year
- Volunteer Opportunities

### **MONTHLY TUITION—4 day program**

Due on the first of every month September-May

Annual Gross Income	Monthly Tuition	Supply/Field Trip
1. See guidelines page Under \$65,000	Pathway or Reduced Scholarship	\$0.00 / \$65.00
2. Full Monthly Tuition	\$195.00	\$130.00



# Waconia Wildcat Preschool: Session 7 & 8

**Children must be 4 years by September 1, 2022**

Waconia Enrichment Center  
September 6, 2022-May 26, 2023  
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,  
Thursday & Friday  
Ms. Lindsay  
Session 7 8:30-11:00 am  
Session 8 12:00-2:30 pm



Let's get your child prepared for their Kindergarten experience. For this class we look forward to working with children four and five years old that will start kindergarten in the following fall. Before and after school childcare is available through Kids' Company. Koch bus transportation is provided for qualifying families or for an additional charge.

## **Fees:**

- A non-refundable registration fee of \$45.00 due at time of registration
- A non-refundable one time supply/field trip fee of \$140.00 due September 1
- Tuition payments begin on September 1

## **Families have the opportunity to attend:**

- New families participate in Listening Conferences. Returning families can attend an Open House on Thursday, Sept. 1, 2022
- Parent/teacher conferences twice per school year
- Special Events throughout the school year
- Volunteer Opportunities

## **MONTHLY TUITION—5 day program**

Due on the first of every month September-May

Annual Gross Income	Monthly Tuition	Supply/Field Trip
1. See guidelines page Under \$65,000	Pathway or Reduced Scholarship	\$0.00 / \$70.00
2. Full Monthly Tuition	\$225.00	\$140.00

# **Waconia Wildcat Preschool: Session 9**

**Children must be 4 years by September 1, 2022**

Waconia Enrichment Center

September 6, 2022-May 25, 2023

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,

Thursday

8:30-1:30 pm

Session 9 Teacher: Ms. Jenny

This offering is a chance to explore more through an extended time in preschool. This class should be considered the stepping stone to kindergarten and is best for children who will attend kindergarten the next year. The focus will be on state approved learning standards in a rigorous research based curriculum that honors critical thinking, collaboration, communication, early literacy, problem solving and creativity to make learning exciting and relevant for every child. Hot school lunch will be available for purchase. Before and after school childcare is available through Kids' Company. Koch bus transportation is provided for qualifying families or for an additional charge.

## **Fees:**

- A non-refundable registration fee of \$45.00 due at time of registration
- A non-refundable one time supply/field trip fee of \$160.00 due September 1
- Tuition payments begin on September 1

## **Families have the opportunity to attend:**

- New families participate in Listening Conferences. Returning families can attend an Open House on Thursday, Sept. 1, 2022
- Parent/teacher conferences twice per school year
- Special Events throughout the school year
- Volunteer Opportunities



### **MONTHLY TUITION—4 day program**

Due on the first of every month September-May

Annual Gross Income	Monthly Tuition	Supply/Field Trip
1. See guidelines page Under \$65,000	Pathway or Reduced Scholarship	\$0.00 / \$80.00
2. Full Monthly Tuition	\$355.00	\$160.00

# Scholarship Income Eligible Guidelines

Scholarships are limited

			Monthly Tuition Amounts				
Household Size	Annual Household Gross Income	Qualifying Level	2 Day	3 Day	4 Day	5 Day	4 Day extended
2	\$0 - \$32,227	Pathway Scholarship	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	\$32,228 - \$64,999	Reduced Tuition	\$55	\$77	\$97	\$112	\$177
	\$65,000 - above	No scholarship available	\$110	\$155	\$195	\$225	\$355

			Monthly Tuition Amounts				
Household Size	Annual Household Gross Income	Qualifying Level	2 Day	3 Day	4 Day	5 Day	4 Day extended
3	\$0 - \$40,626	Pathway Scholarship	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	\$40,627 - \$64,999	Reduced Tuition	\$55	\$77	\$97	\$112	\$177
	\$65,000 - above	No scholarship available	\$110	\$155	\$195	\$225	\$355

			Monthly Tuition Amounts				
Household Size	Annual Household Gross Income	Qualifying Level	2 Day	3 Day	4 Day	5 Day	4 Day extended
4	\$0 - \$49,025	Pathway Scholarship	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	\$49,026 - \$64,999	Reduced Tuition	\$55	\$77	\$97	\$112	\$177
	\$65,000 - above	No scholarship available	\$110	\$155	\$195	\$225	\$355

			Monthly Tuition Amounts				
Household Size	Annual Household Gross Income	Qualifying Level	2 Day	3 Day	4 Day	5 Day	4 Day extended
5	\$0 - \$57,424	Pathway Scholarship	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	\$57,425 - \$64,999	Reduced Tuition	\$55	\$77	\$97	\$112	\$177
	\$65,000 - above	No scholarship available	\$110	\$155	\$195	\$225	\$355

			Monthly Tuition Amounts				
Household Size	Annual Household Gross Income	Qualifying Level	2 Day	3 Day	4 Day	5 Day	4 Day extended
6	\$0 - \$65,823	Pathway Scholarship	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	\$65,824 - \$71,999	Reduced Tuition	\$55	\$77	\$97	\$112	\$177
	\$72,000 - above	No scholarship available	\$110	\$155	\$195	\$225	\$355

# Transportation

Koch Bus transportation is available for District 110 residents only. Space is limited. You must register separately for this option.

Fees for transportation are as follows:

2 days per week = \$50/per month

3 days per week = \$75/per month

4 days per week = \$100/per month

5 days per week = \$125/per month



# Preschool Parent Connect

Would you like to get to know other parents who have preschool age children? Wildcat Preschool parents are invited to a preschool parents connect opportunity that will meet once a month. Parents of preschoolers will come together to share joys, concerns and learn in a fun and relaxing atmosphere. There will be topics of interest to discuss and learn about, but mostly this will be a time for open sharing to get to know each other. The group will be led by our parent liaison.

The class is FREE for the parents of children enrolled in Wildcat Preschool. Child care is available for a fee.

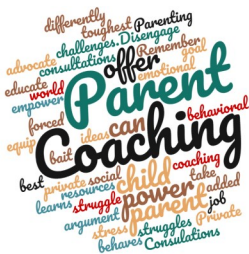
## One on One Parent Coaching

Do you have parenting questions or need resources? Maybe you want to develop some specific strategies for parenting your child and need some support. This is a wonderful opportunity for parents to meet with a licensed parent educator either in person or virtually to gain insight, strategies and support, while becoming the best version of yourself as parents. Fill out the linked form and one of our friendly, knowledgeable parent educators will be in touch to set up a meeting. Each session is up to one hour in length.

# Parent Coaching Form

Cost: **Free** to Parents enrolled at ISD110 ECFE and Waconia Wildcat Preschool. No registration required, just fill out the Parent Coaching Form.

\$20 a session for other community members. Registration and payment required then fill out Parent Coaching Form.



What a great deal for some professional coaching!

# **Early Childhood Screening**

Early Childhood Screening is a free, developmental check required by the State of Minnesota for kindergarten entrance.

Screening appointments:

- Last approximately 60 minutes with parent observation during the entire appointment.
- Are best when complete at the age of 3-4 years.
- Check your child's height, weight, hearing, vision, immunization record, coordination, large muscle and small motor skills, speech, learning development, and social/emotional skills.
- Involves playful activities that make it an enjoyable experience for your child, while providing valuable information to ensure development is on track.
- Are not tests. Screening simply helps identify any needs that may require additional support before your child enters kindergarten. Studies show that early intervention can make the biggest impact on development.
- Your screener will discuss the results of the screening with you immediately and answer any questions you may have.

To schedule an appointment, go to: [www.isd110.org/community-education/programs/early-childhood-screening](http://www.isd110.org/community-education/programs/early-childhood-screening) or call 952-442-0613.



## **Toilet Training**

All children are required to be fully toilet trained, unless a special need is involved. If a special need is present, a plan will be created with the parents and may need to include medical information from your child's physician.

## **Early Childhood Advisory Council**

This is a group of parents and staff that meet monthly during the school year to support, advise, and take action on behalf of Waconia Early Childhood Programs. This may include such things as planning events, fundraising or teacher appreciation. If you are interested in joining this group please contact Amanda Vesta at [avesta@isd110.org](mailto:avesta@isd110.org) or 952-442-0664.



# Kids' Company

## 2022 Summer and 2022-23 School Year



If you are looking for quality child care in a school setting - look no further. Kids' Company offers children the opportunity to thrive in an atmosphere that supports positive growth. Children are given this opportunity starting at the age of three (must be toilet trained) through fifth grade. Kids' Company is open at 6:00 am and our last pick up time is 6:15 pm during the school year. We are located at Bayview Elementary School, Southview Elementary School, Laketown Elementary School and

Waconia Enrichment Center. Children may attend Kids' Company at the school they attend which provides peace of mind for parents. Kids' Company is available on most school early release days. The summer program will start on Monday, June 13 and end on Wednesday, August 17.

Our belief at Kids' Company is that children need to be in an environment that will enhance their social, academic and positive self-image. We accomplish these goals through exposure to new experiences, freedom of choice and building new friendships. Children are always placed in age appropriate classes. Please note that times and locations may change due to registration numbers.

**Current** Kids' Company families may enroll beginning Monday, February 28, 2022 to Friday, March 11, 2022. **New** families may begin enrolling on Tuesday, March 22, 2022.

### Want more information about Kids' Company?

Join us for our **Virtual Open House on Tuesday, Feb. 15 from 7:00-7:30 pm** via Zoom. Please visit our Community Education website at [www.waconiacommunityed.org](http://www.waconiacommunityed.org) for more information. Once at our web site, you may click on the Community Ed tab located at the top of the page, then click on Programs. You will find Kids' Company listed on the left hand side of the page.

You may also contact Jenny Merritt at 952-442-0618 or [jmerritt@isd110.org](mailto:jmerritt@isd110.org)

