

# Early Childhood Family Center 520 Industrial Blvd. Waconia, MN 952-442-0613

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### Welcome to Dist. 110 ECFE

Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE) is a District 110 Community Education program of Waconia Public Schools. All families with children ages birth to kindergarten are welcome. Our mission is to strengthen families through education, and support all parents toward healthy growth and development of their children.

Early Childhood Family Education offers classes, events and other programs designed by highly qualified teachers, specifically for families with young children. Most classes meet once a week for 1.5-2 hours. Quality child care is provided for siblings not enrolled in class.

A sliding fee scale is provided to make classes affordable for all families. No one will be denied participation for inability to pay.

### ECFE 0 - 28 months / Mixed Ages

#### Incredible Infants

Having a baby is both exciting and challenging. This informative class helps you to get off to a great start with your baby. You will meet with other parents to discuss common concerns such as sleep, feeding, adjusting to parenthood, infant development and more. Spend time enjoying music, playing, and bonding with your child. Parents and children will stay together the entire class. You are welcome to join an infant class at any time during the session or during your maternity leave as space allows. Sibling care is provided for \$7.50/child/session. Registration required. ECFE Room 114 Ages as of January 1, 2022

ECWS<sub>02</sub> 0-12 months Mon. Jan. 10-March 14 (No class Jan. 17, Feb. 21, March 7) 10:45-12:15 pm \$15.00 ECWS<sub>03</sub> Mon. March 21-May 9 (April 18) 0-12 months 10:45-12:15 pm \$15.00

#### Terrific Toddlers

A whole new world begins once your child becomes mobile--a toddling little bundle of energy just looking to touch, taste, and test out the world and you! Spend time enjoying music, movement, and lots of exploratory activities with your child. During the parent discussion, we'll share ideas for separation anxiety, setting limits, safety, and other joys and concerns of parenthood. Toddler classes will gradually separate based on age and development of children. Join us for this special time with your busy toddler. Class fees can be found on page 7. Sibling care is available. Registration required. ECFE Room 114



Ages as of January 1, 2022

ECWS10	14-22 months	Tue. Jan. 11-May 10 (No class Mar. 8)	8:45-10:15 am
ECWS <sub>11</sub>	14-22 months	Wed. Jan. 12-May 11 (No class Mar. 9)	8:45-10:15 am
ECWS <sub>12</sub>	22-28 months	Tue. Jan. 11-May 10 (No class Mar. 8)	10:45-12:15 pm
ECWS <sub>13</sub>	22-28 months	Thur. Jan. 13-May 12 (No class March 10, April 7)	8:45-10:15 am

#### Mixed Age Pop-in and Play 0-5 years



If you are not quite ready for the commitment of a class or would just like something extra during the week, come join us at Pop-in and Play! This will be self-quided exploration and play with an ECFE teacher present for conversation and answering questions. Come at the beginning and stay until the end or pop-in and out when it's convenient for you. Sensory and art experiences will vary each week. Parents and children can make social connections in a casual, fun setting.

No pre-registration is necessary. ECFE Room 108 Ages as of January 1, 2022

Tue. Jan. 11-May 10 (No class Mar. 8) ECWS<sub>14</sub> o-5 years 8:30-10:00 am \$2.00/child/class (children under 1 year are free)

Class will meet 2 times per month on the following dates: Jan. 10 & 24, Feb. 7 & 28, Mar. 14 & 28, Apr. 11 & 25, May 9

ECWS<sub>25</sub> 2-5 years Mondays 6:00-7:30 pm

#### STEAM Evening Class



STEAM is an educational approach to learning that uses Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts and Mathematics as access points for quiding student inquiry, dialogue, and critical thinking. During parent ed, parents will discuss their child's learning and development as it relates to curiosity and exploration. Come join us as we invent, create and explore!

This is a family class for children ages 2-8 years, however it is an early childhood offering, so one child must be between the ages of 2-5 years. All children attending must be registered. Select the payment level for the 2-5 year old child and select \$o for the sibling(s). This class has no separate sibling care. ECFE Room 108 Ages as of January 1, 2022

### ECFE 29 months - 5 years

Check out the next page for more class options!

#### A Typical ECFE Class includes:

- Parent/Child Time Parents and children explore age-appropriate activities designed to enhance learning. Parents gain new ideas for things to do together at home with their children. This time includes a group "Circle Time" of songs and games.
- Parent Education Licensed parent educators provide resources and guide group discussions about child development, parenting techniques and current issues concerning today's families.
- Children's Classroom During parent discussion, children play in a stimulating and caring environment with licensed early childhood teachers. They enjoy music, stories, group games and creative play as they interact with other children their age. Registration Required. ECFE Room 108 Ages as of January 1, 2022
- Sibling Care Quality childcare is available to provide a safe, caring and fun atmosphere for siblings not enrolled in daytime classes.



#### Discovery Time

ECWS<sub>20</sub> Mon. Jan. 10-May 9 29 mo-3 years 8:30-10:00 am (No class Jan. 17, Feb. 21, March 7, April 18)

#### Learning with Nature



We will explore, investigate, and unearth nature's secrets that lie beyond the classroom doors! Children will learn about Minnesota's great outdoors through sensory exploration, books, building and more. During parent ed, parents will discuss their child's learning and development as it relates to exploring our natural world.

ECWS<sub>21</sub> 29 mo-5 years Wed. Jan. 12-May 11 8:30-10:00 am (No class Mar. 9)

#### Discovery Extended

This class offers a longer parent/child interaction time and parent discussion

2 hour class fee--Waive/\$84/\$133/\$175/\$210 Sibling care fee--\$70/\$98

ECWS22 29 mo-5 years Mon. Jan. 10-May 9 10:30-12:30 pm (No class Jan. 17, Feb. 21, March 7, April 18)

#### Coming Back for More

Are you returning to ECFE as a second, third or fourth time parent? This class is designed for parents with multiple-age children. Topics will focus on information and support to parent <u>all</u> of your children.

2 hour class fee--Waive/\$84/\$133/\$175/\$210 Sibling care fee--\$70/\$98

ECWS23 Wed. Jan. 12-May 11 10:30-12:30 pm 29 mo-5 years (No class Mar. 9) Thur. Jan. 13-May 12 8:30-10:30 am ECWS<sub>24</sub> 29 mo-5 years (No class Mar. 10, Apr. 7)

#### ECFE Class Fee Schedule

Use the table below to determine your fee category for classes. Choose the category based on your annual gross income. The information you provide will be treated confidentially. All families are welcome at ECFE. No one will be denied participation due to inability to pay fees.

Jan. - May 1.5 hour classes Sliding Fee Scale Annual Income 1. under \$35,000 Waived fees, call 442-0664 to register \$63.00 2. \$35,000-\$49,999 \$98.00 3. \$50,000-\$74,999 4. \$75,000-\$99,999 \$133.00 \$168.00 5. \$100,000-above

Sibling Care

Level 2-3 \$56.00/child \$84.oo/child Level 4-5

Registration begins Tuesday, Nov. 30 8:00 am Register online or use the ECFE registration form found on page 13.

## ECFE 33 months - 5 year olds

#### ECFE Bridge to Preschool

A unique blend of parent-child time and peer group interaction offering an introductory preschool experience. Fall session started with a Thursday parent/child class, a Tuesday child only day is added for the winter and spring sessions. Families registered for fall session will be given priority registration for winter/spring session.



**Thursdays 11:00-1:00 pm** - Parent-Child Day: This day each week is a parent-child playtime together followed by a separated parent discussion. Sibling care is available for this day each week.

**Tuesdays 11:00-1:00 pm** - Child-Only Day Begins Winter Term: The second day each week is just for your child to interact with peers, led by a licensed early childhood teacher and an assistant. An introduction to basic skills, along with music, a story and gym time are included each day.

Parents **must** attend the parent-child class on Thursdays in order to have their child attend the Tuesday child-only day beginning winter session. Children working towards toilet training

are welcomed to attend. Parents must send a bag lunch to eat during class. Class fees are payable in two equal payments. Child must be 33 months by January 1, 2022 in order to attend this class.

ECWS<sub>27</sub> 33 mo-5 years Tuesdays & Thursdays Jan. 11-May 12 (No class March 8 & 10, April 7)

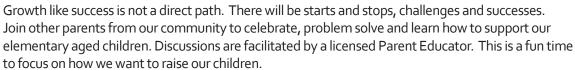
Payment 1 class fee due at registration--Waive/\$96/\$148/\$181/\$214 Thursday Sibling care fee--\$32/\$56

Payment 2 class fee will be processed on March 1--Waive/\$96/\$148/\$181/\$214 Thursday Sibling care fee--\$32/\$56

# Elementary Age Parent Education

#### Next Steps

The elementary years are an exciting time for parents and children alike. Trying new opportunities, learning, exploring, and going through changes. We get to applaud their accomplishments and help them work through frustrations or disappointments.





We meet 1.5 hours every other week. Childcare is available for younger siblings who are not in school so that parents can focus without distraction. Topics are selected by group request. Popular topics have been: problem solving daily life, teaching skills of independence, friendships and social conflicts, bullying, and teaching children to be organized.

ECE20 Tuesdays, Jan 11 & 25, Feb. 8 & 22, March 15 & 29, April 12 & 26, May 10 \$63.00/adult \$36.00/child/childcare Early Childhood Family Center Room 103

8:45-10:15 am Registration Required

Please register online at www.waconiacommunityed.org (go to Community Ed - Registration - Online Registration - Browse Catalog - Early Childhood Family Education - School Age Offerings).

### Kindergarten/1st-3rd Grade Parent Connect

An offering for parents of Kindergarten and 1st - 3rd grade children. The Elementary Schools of District 110 invite you to Parents Connect!

parer Parent connection and support is a unique opportunity for parents. Parents will gather together inperson or on Zoom for a group discussion facilitated by our District 110 Parent Educators. Parents have found this to be a great place to build connections with other parents and share information and ideas. Join us to learn ways of supporting your students as they make their way through a milestone school year.

Registration is FREE through Early Childhood Family Education/School Age Offerings. Sibling care provided \$5.00/child. Registration Required. An adult snack will be provided.

#### KINDERGARTEN SAVETHE DATES

ECKLL60 Friday, Feb. 25 ECFE Room 103	11:00 am - 12:30 pm	Building Social Competence & Friendships Supporting Positive Social Skills, Conflict Resolution & Communication. We will discuss how to collaboratively and proactively manage challenges of social situations. Get your questions answered.
ECKLL90 Friday, April 22 ECFE Room 103	11:0 am - 12:30 pm	Executive Functioning Allows us to access information, think about solutions & implement those solutions. It requires Working Memory, Flexible Thinking & Inhibitory Control. These skills help in school and in everyday lifelet's learn how to build these!

#### **1ST-3rd GRADE SAVETHE DATES**

EC1LL60 Thursday, Jan. 20 ECFE Room 115	11:00 am - 12:30 pm	Help your child foster healthy friendships, navigate growing independence, and manage effective communication with your child's expanding school, activity, and social circles.
EC1LL80 Thursday, April 21 ECFE Room 115	11:00 am - 12:30 pm	Learn how to support your child as their responsibilities expand. Help them with tools to manage these expectations at home and school. We will address functions such as self-regulation, motivation, self-awareness, and working memory.

### One on One Parent Coaching

Register online at ECFE Parent Only Classes

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

\$20 a session for other community members.

Registration and payment is required before the meeting is set up. Class Code: EC40

What a great deal for some professional coaching!

### ECFE Special Events

(Special events include 5 year olds who are not in Kindergarten)

#### Open Gym

(1-5 years)

Looking for an indoor space to run and play? Come to the indoor playground at the Waconia Enrichment Center and ride a trike, play basketball and climb the gym play structure. **Enter the ECFE entrance at 520 Industrial Blvd.** Sign up for one or more sessions. Registration Required \$2.00/child/day

Fridays, 11:00-12:00 pm

ECSP19 January 21 ECSP20 February 18 ECSP21 March 18





(18 months-5 years)

Create a special play-based ECFE experience to try at home. Connect with your child and encourage their development with fun themed activity bags. Included in the bags will be tools and strategies to support early learning from a licensed Parent Educator. Bags can be picked up at ECFE.

ECSP <sub>22</sub>	The week of Jan. 24	Snow Much Fun
ECSP <sub>23</sub>	The week of Feb. 14	Kids in the Kitchen
ECSP <sub>24</sub>	The week of March 21	Marching into Spring
ECSP <sub>25</sub>	The week of April 25	Big Earth Little Me
ECSP <sub>2</sub> 6	The week of May 16	Under the Stars

\$10.00/pack Registration Required

#### Community Baby Shower

Expecting parents and parents of newborns up to 12 months are invited to the Community Baby Shower. Area businesses and community vendors will be present to share resources and ECFE staff will be onsite to showcase their classrooms. This is a great opportunity to connect with other parents, visit our building, meet the staff and learn about all the wonderful resources here in our community! Goodie bags for the first 40 new parents!

ECSP28 Saturday, March 19 9:00-12:00 pm

FREE

Early Childhood Center

Registration not required, but appreciated

Register online or use the ECFE registration form found on page 13.

#### Valentines Dance

Find your dancing shoes and join us for this special Valentine event with your little sweethearts! You will get to pull out all your favorite dance moves with your family and friends. A photo booth and decorating a heart cookie will also be part of this holiday celebration. Concessions, including pizza, will be for sale by the Early Childhood Advisory Council. This event is a true family favorite!

This is a family event, however it is an early childhood offering, so one child must be between the ages of o-5 years. All children attending must be registered.

ECSP27 Thursday, Feb. 10 5:30-7:30 pm \$5.00/child (Children under 1 year of age are free) Laketown Elementary Cafeteria

Registration Required

#### Children's Garage Sale



The Early Childhood Advisory Council is hosting a Garage Sale as their spring fundraiser!

You will have the option of selling your items at the sale or donating your items to be sold for fundraiser profit. You

can sell or donate these types of items: children's clothing (newborn – size 16), children's toys and books (NO stuffed animals), baby equipment and maternity clothing.

If you are **selling** your items, you will purchase a sale spot for \$25 by registering on the ECFE registration site. The spot will come with one table. You may purchase additional tables for \$5 each on the day of the event. If you are **donating** items, you may drop off at the ISD 110 Early Childhood Building from March 24th - April 7th.

Gather all your friends and family and come shop the sale at the Early Childhood Center 520 Industrial Blvd. Waconia on Saturday, April 9th 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM!

ECSP29 Table Registration Only

### ECFE Special Events

(Special events include 5 year olds who are not in Kindergarten)

#### Wild about Wheels

The whole family is invited to meet us at the Laketown Elementary parking lot for an up close look at the vehicles we see at work in our community. Imagine a fire engine, school bus, street sweeper and more. You will be able to explore the vehicles, learn safety tips from our various community helpers and learn what each vehicle is used for. Get dinner from the food truck and enjoy the evening with friends and family! In case of inclement weather, this event will be cancelled.

ECSP30 Tuesday, April 26 5:30-7:30 pm FREE - registration not required Laketown Elementary Parking Lot



#### Create a Fairy Garden

(2 1/2-5 years)

Fairy gardens are such a whimsical addition to your outdoor space! They spark imagination, creativity and responsibility. The idea of a fairy garden is to add small plants, structures and flowers to create a magical place for fairies to bring good luck to your home. During this event we will create a container fairy garden, listen to a story and have a magical snack. Weather permitting this will be held at our outdoor playground. Sibling care is available during daytime classes.

ECSP31 Thursday, April 28 6:00-7:15 pm ECSP32 Friday, April 29 9:00-10:15 am

\$10.00/child Early Childhood Center \$4.00/child/sibling care Registration Required

#### End-of-Year Picnic

Bring the whole family to celebrate a year filled with learning, friendship and so much fun! All participants in ISD 110 Early Childhood Programs (Waconia Wildcat Preschool and Early Childhood Family Education) are invited to a picnic. Please

bring your own picnic food and a blanket or chairs to sit on while enjoying one last fun filled event for the 2021-2022 school year. You will enjoy music, games, crafts and the playground! In the case of inclement weather, this event will be cancelled.

ECSP<sub>33</sub>

Tuesday, May 10 5:30-7:00 pm

Southview Elementary Playground

**FREE** 

No Registration Required

#### Help Me Grow MN

Some children need extra help to learn and grow. Help Me Grow is a Minnesota state initiative that connects children with developmental delays and disabilities and their families to free, local early intervention services.



If you have a concern about a child's development, you can refer the child through Help Me Grow for a free screening or evaluation. Services are free to eligible children ages birth-5, regardless of income or immigrant status.

Help Me Grow's website, helpmegrowmn.org, offers valuable information to help parents and caregivers understand a child's development. Resources include developmental milestones, strategies to encourage development and information about referrals. To refer a child, visit helpmegrownmn.org or call 866-693-GROW (4769).

### Early Childhood Screening

#### Is your child 3 years old?

The early childhood years are an important time of rapid learning and growth. Early Childhood Screening is a **FREE** service offered by District 110 that will check a child's overall development and health. Children are screened by a licensed early childhood teacher

and a school nurse. Results of the screening help identify any learning or health concerns that may require attention before a child enters kindergarten. In Minnesota all children are required to complete Early Childhood Screening before kindergarten entrance, however, it is not a test for kindergarten. The preferred age to screen is between the ages of 3 and 4 years old.

#### Early Childhood Screening includes:

- \* A look at your child's development
- \*Vision and hearing checks
- \* Height and weight measurements
- \* Immunization and health history review

Screenings take place at the Early Childhood Family Center, 520 Industrial Blvd. **Register online** at www.waconiacommunityed.org. Click on Community Ed, go to Programs and scroll down to Early Childhood Screening. Please call 952-442-0613 to receive more information.



Fridays 8:00-1:15 pm		Tuesday 12:00-5:00 pm	Thursdays 2:	Thursdays 2:30-5:00 pm	
Jan. 7	Feb. 25	April 22	May 17	Jan. 27	April 21
Jan. 28	March 25	May 6		Feb. 24	May 5
Feb. 11	April 1			March 24	

If your child has been screened by another school district, Early Childhood Special Education or Headstart, your child does not need to be screened again, but a summary copy must be on file with the current school district your child will be attending. Contact the ECS office at 952-442-0613 for information on how to have screening records forwarded to the school district.

### Early Childhood Family Center **Winter/Spring 2022** classes at a glance **January 10-May 12**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
8:30-10:00 am 29 mo-3 years	8:30-10:00 am Pop-in and Play	8:30-10:00 am 29 mo-5 years	8:30-10:30 am 29 mo-5 years		
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### ECFE Registration

#### 4 Easy Ways to Register:

- 1. Online Register online at www.waconiacommunityed.org
- 2. Mail Registration form and payment to:

District 110 ECFE 520 Industrial Blvd. Waconia, MN 55387

- 3. **Drop off** Registration form and payment at:
  - ECFE Office 520 Industrial Blvd.
  - Community Education Office 516 Industrial Blvd.
  - 24-hour Drop Box located outside Bayview & Southview
- 4. Fax Registration form with credit card number, expiration date and signature to: 952-442-0619

Unless the fee is stated, use the sliding fee scale on page 7 to determine class fee. Make checks payable to Dist. 110 Community Education. We accept Visa, MasterCard, Discover and AmExpress. Registration begins on Tuesday, Nov. 30 at 8:00 am

Questions? Call 952-442-0613

#### REGISTRATION POLICIES

- The online shopping cart will be available on Tuesday, Nov. 30 at 8:00 am. If you are new to ECFE or Community Ed, create an account at waconiacommunityed.org. Click on Community Ed at the top of the page then go to Registration. Register for one class per child. Registration for a second class for the same child opens on Monday, Jan. 3. You will receive an e-mail confirming your registration.
- ECFE will waive one class fee for income-eligible families per session. Please call 952-442-0664 to register. Fees for special events will not be waived.
- Refund Policy A full refund is issued for cancellations before the session begins, minus a \$10.00 processing fee. After the first week, refunds are prorated. There are no refunds midway through a session or for missed class days. Special Event refunds will only be given with a 5-day advance notice.









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ECFE WINTER/SPRING REGISTRATION 2022						
PARENT NAME:	PARENT NAME: HOME PHONE:					
ADDRESS:			CEI	L PHONE:		
SCHOOL DISTRICT: _		E-MAIL:				
		FAMILY	CLASSES			
CLASS NUMBER	DAY/TIME	CHILD NAME IN CLASS	DATE OF BIRTH	CHILD NAME SIBLING CARE	DATE OF BIRTH	CLASS FEE
I				SIBLING CA	ARE FEE	
		SPECIA	L EVENTS			
EVENT - NUMBER &	TITLE	PARENT(S) ATT	ENDING	CHILDREN'S NA	ME EV	ENT FEE
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Payment: Cash Check # Waived Fee Date Rec'd TOTAL FEE						
Credit Card # Credit Card (Visa, MC, Discover, AE)						
Signature Expiration Date						

#### COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Arc-Hennepin/Carver Development Disabilities	952-920-0855			
Carver County Public Health Services	952-361-1329			
Carver County Social Services	952-361-1600			
Child Care Aware of MN	952-402-9824			
Crisis Nursery Temporary childcare during a crisis	612-839-5101			
Dist. 110 Special Education Services Information on 3-5 yr overall growth and dev	952-442-0637 Velopment			
ECFE Home Visit  Discussions may include care of newborns, a for young children, child development, parel community resources.				
Early Childhood Screening Required health and developmental screenir 3-4 year old children prior to kindergarten en Go to www.isd110.org/community-ed/progran appointment	trance.			
First Street Center 952-442-4437 Offers a comprehensive range of mental health services				
Head Start/CAPP Agency	952-496-2125			
Help Me Grow - Early Intervention Information on Birth-3 yr overall growth and	952-567-8210 I development			
LaLeche League Support for breastfeeding	952-472-6493			
Library - call for storytimes  • Waconia  • St. Bonifacius	952-442-4714 952-446-1418			
Macaroni Kid Carver County http://carver.macaronikid.com	952-201-0429			
MN Sure  Health Insurance for income eligible families	952-361-1600			
Ridgeview Medical Center 952-442-2191 Education - Breastfeeding, sibling preparation Birthing Center Pediatrics Pediatric Rehab Services				
Sexual Violence Center 24-hour helpline	952-448-5425			
Southern Valley Alliance for Battered Women	<b>952-</b> 873-4214			
Waconia United Food Shelf	952-442-3878			
WIC 952-496-2125 Free nutrition program for women, infants and children at East Creek Family Center, Chaska				

#### **Early Childhood Family Education Staff**

Tiffany Nelson, Community Education Director Amanda Vesta, Early Childhood Supervisor Brenda Buesgens, Administrative Assistant

Heather Carlson - EC Amie Hunt
Lauren McQuillan - PE Alicia Piotter
Christine Pedretti - PE Karen Whalen
Vanessa Schultz - EC
<u>Preschool Teachers</u> <u>Preschool Assistants</u>
Lindsay Hackman Andrea Mathwig
Laura Jaede Trisha Molinari
Jenny Jensen Melissa Rabe
Mary Weber Megumi Thompson

#### **Early Childhood Advisory Council**

The Advisory Council meets five times throughout the school year to develop goals, help plan and volunteer at events and provide feedback for the program. Free childcare is offered during the meetings.

Kara Anderson	Tiffany Nelson
Brianna Ballard	Rachelle Schaust
Erin Foss-Beerling	Stephanie Schnedler
Lynn Irrgang	Amanda Vesta
Taylor Mulenbruch	

### Is your family included on the School District Census?

Has there been a birth in your family? Have you recently moved into the area? Is there a new family in your neighborhood? District 110 wants all families to know about the programs and activities that are offered.

Being on the School District Census insures that you will automatically receive information about Early Childhood Screening, preschool and kindergarten.

To be added to the census, please call the School District Census Office at 952-442-0607.

#### HASYOUR CHILD HAD IMMUNIZATIONS?

Minnesota law requires that all children attending District 110 Early Childhood classes have their immunizations up to date. Proof of immunization must be presented. If you need information on low cost or free immunizations for your child, call Carver County Public Health Services at 952-361-1329.

#### WEATHER EMERGENCY POLICY

When District 110 K-12 classes are cancelled due to inclement weather, all Early Childhood classes/events are also cancelled. If there is a late start, the 8:30 and 8:45 am classes will not be held, but the classes later in the day will be in session. District Weather Line 952-442-0640.

### Early Childhood Preschool Program



#### 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.



Waconia Wildcat Preschool is an ISD 110 program. We work closely with Early Childhood Special Education and kindergarten teachers to foster a successful transition from preschool to kindergarten. Call 952-442-0613 with questions or go to our website for more detailed information about each session.

#### 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
- 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 and Parent Aware Certified



#### Calling all cubs who want to be a wildcat in 2022-2023!

Waconia Wildcat Preschool offers 2, 3, 4 and 5 day a week class options for children who are ages 3-5 years of age as of Sept. 1. Join us for a Virtual Open House on Tuesday, Feb. 15 at 6 pm. Registration for NEW families begins online Tuesday, March 22. CURRENT families who will be

returning for another year of preschool can register online Mon. Feb. 28 - Fri. March 11. More preschool registration information will be shared in February.



#### Current 2021-22 Preschool Parents Connect

Would you like to get to know other parents who have preschool age children? Wildcat Preschool parents are invited to a virtual 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. The group will be led by our parent liaison and the Early Childhood Program Supervisor will join in the fun too. Register under District 110 Preschool Programs.

Fridays 8:45-10:15 am Dec. 17, Jan. 28, Feb. 25, March 25, April 29, May 13 Tuesdays 12:00-1:30 pm Dec. 14, Jan. 25, Feb. 22, March 29, April 26, May 10

FREE - Childcare \$5/child per class - Registration Required