



Thank you for your interest in our preschool. Below are questions most asked by parents when they inquire about Angel Academy. If you have further questions please call us at Church of the Cross/ Angel Academy:
(785)- 825-5170.

What ages do you accept?

We accept children 3yrs-school age. All children enrolling in the 3 year old class must be 3 by August 31st. All children enrolling the 3-day or Pre-K 5 - day program must be 4 by August 31st. All children need to be fully potty trained. The use of disposable underwear is not permitted unless authorized by the director.

What classes are available?

T/TH Am 8:45-11:45 for 3 year olds

Possibly M/W/F pm 12:45-3:45 for 3 year olds

M/W/F Am 8:45-11:45 for 4 & 5 year olds

M/W/F Pm 12:45-3:45 for 4 & 5 year olds

M-F Pre-K 8:45-11:45 Am or 12:45-3:45 Pm for 4 & 5 year olds.

This class is for children who will enter kindergarten the following year.

How much does it cost?

There is a \$50.00 registration fee per child. This fee must accompany the registration form.

Tuition for the 2017-2018 school year will be:

Attending 2 days per week is \$85.00 per month

Attending 3 days per week is \$100.00 per month

Attending 5 days per week is \$185.00 per month

* Tuition may be paid monthly, quarterly, or yearly.

Are scholarships available?

Partial scholarships are available. Applications are available from the Director.

What is the main emphasis in your program?

- Socialization- learning to work and play with others and to be comfortable with a group of children
- Readiness- experiences appropriate to ease the transition into Kindergarten so children are ready to learn
- Spiritual Development
- Developing a positive self-image
- Enrichment- new experiences with science, art, physical coordination, music, and books

What do the children do each day?

While activities vary depending on the ages of the children, the following activities are generally available each day:

- Circle time- Welcome, calendar, helper chart, weather, Pledge of Allegiance, and introduction of the theme of the day.
- Bible stories, songs, finger plays and prayer
- Concept development- finger plays, sequencing, memory games, etc.
- Creative art experiences as well as crafts
- Music- rhythm instruments, singing, listening, movement
- Books- listening, storytelling, flannel boards, creative reading
- Science- experimentation, sorting, plants, cooking
- Large muscle play- the playground or the gymnasium
- Small motor activities- puzzles, playdough, stringing beads, scissor skills, manipulative items, etc.
- Language development through conversations and writing/dictating stories
- Free choice time in the various classroom centers



What can I anticipate my child to learn & develop in preschool?

T/Th class for 3 & 4 yr olds

Fine Motor

- To develop and strengthen eye-hand coordination
- To introduce scissor skills
- To be able to manipulate a variety of writing tools and art materials

Large Motor

- Children are given time each day for large motor activities whether it is outside at the playground or in the gym.
- To be able to throw a ball in direction desired
- To be able to kick a ball in direction desired

Literacy

- To be exposed to a variety of literature
- To develop comprehension skills
- To be exposed to rhyming words through Nursery Rhymes

Math

- To recognize shapes (square, circle, triangle, rectangle, heart, star)
- To develop sorting and matching skills
- To be able to count to 10

Science

- To gain an understanding of God's creation
- To gain an understanding of cause and effect
- To have numerous hands on activities

Art

- To recognize colors (red, yellow, blue, green, purple, orange)
- To expose children to variety of media
- To encourage creativity through a variety of open ended and group craft activities.
- To experience cause and effect through various art activities

Music

- To expose children to different styles of music
- To foster listening skills and promote sound awareness
- To encourage children to feel free and interact with music through singing and creative movement
- To encourage enjoyment of and creativity through music.



M/W/F & M-F for 4 & 5 year olds

Fine Motor

- To develop and strengthen eye-hand coordination
- Scissor skills
- To be able to manipulate a variety of writing tools
- To write name and encourage using correct upper and lowercase letters

Gross Motor

- Children are given time each day for large motor activities whether it is outside at the playground or in the gym.
- To be able to throw, catch, and bounce a large ball

Literacy

- To be exposed to a variety of literature
- To develop comprehension skills
- To recognize basic rhyming words
- Begin to recognize upper case and lower case alphabet
- Begin to recognize beginning phonemic sounds
- 5 day program to model written language through daily journaling

Math

- To recognize shapes (square, circle, triangle, rectangle, heart, star, octagon, ellipse & diamond)
- To develop sorting, matching, and graphing skills
- To be able to count to 20
- To be able to identify existing patterns, copy existing patterns, and creates new patterns
- To recognize numbers 1-10 with one to one correspondents

Science

- To gain an understanding of God's creation
- To gain an understanding of cause and effect
- To have numerous hands on activities

Art

- To recognize colors (red, yellow, blue, green, purple, orange, brown, black, white)
- To expose children to variety of art media
- To encourage creativity through a variety of open ended and group craft activities
- To experience cause and effect through various art activities

Music

- To expose children to different styles of music
- To foster listening skills and promote sound awareness
- To encourage children to feel free and interact with music through singing and creative movement
- To encourage enjoyment of and creativity through music

What if my child already knows a lot of the skills for their age group?

A Lot of children come to preschool with cognitive knowledge. We help your child to improve that knowledge by learning it in fun new ways. Your child will develop and improve those skills by playing with others, following directions, discover using their senses, moving around in different environments, experiencing sounds, singing, hearing music, large and small group activities and following routine.

What expectations do you have of families?

- We expect that each family will take an active role in their child's education. This will mean different things for each family.
- We expect that families will participate in Parent/Teacher Conferences, activities and programs that we have throughout the year.
- Angel Academy is a non-profit Preschool and we rely on tuition to be paid by the 5th of each month. August is the only month tuition is pro-rated. All months, September through May, are full tuition.
- All families are expected to participate in fundraisers to benefit the Preschool. We rely on the fundraisers to provide a quality education for your children. No family will be asked to sell items from a catalog. Our fundraisers are friendly, easy and fun to participate in. Examples: Ornaments and hand print plaques the children paint in school. These make great gifts. Fall Festival where we have a chicken and noodle dinner. Home-made noodle sale.
- Families are asked to provide snack for their child's class twice a year. The families provide school supplies and snack items at the beginning of each semester.



How much Teacher/ Parent/ Home contact is there?

Before the school year begins there will be a play day scheduled. This day will be a shortened version of a regular school day. Your child comes for an hour to meet their teachers and other students in the class. This is a good time for the kids that may be a little nervous about preschool too experience a day, and to know what to expect when they start school.

Parent Orientation is held during the same time as play day. This is a time when we will go over the Parent Handbook and talk about expectations of the year. We have an open house in February when you will be able to tour the classrooms and talk with the Teachers. Parent/Teacher conferences are held twice a year.

Each month you will receive a parent newsletter of the month's events. The newsletter keeps the parents well informed of the month's activities.

Throughout the year, there are many activities for families to participate in. They include Fathers Night, Mommy & Me Night, Holiday class parties, field trips, Birthday Party for Jesus and end of year Graduation and Completion programs.

Parents are always welcome in the classrooms and are free to stay as long they like. Extra hands in the classrooms are always appreciated.

How do I enroll my child?

Fall enrollment begins in February. E-mail, call, or come by the preschool to inform us that you wish to enroll your child. 1600 Rush – 785-825-5170

Director E-mail address: Layla.peppers@coc-salina.com

Church web site: www.coc-salina.org