



# Preschool Program

Trinity Learning Center (TLC) is a Christian Preschool and Ministry of Trinity Baptist Church. TLC is a not-for-profit, fully licensed preschool for 3-5 year olds and is open to all children.

**Our Purpose Statement:** To provide a safe, loving environment that encourages children to learn about themselves, the world around them and the God who created them.

**Our Philosophy:** TLC's program is designed to provide each child with age appropriate experiences that will help nurture an enthusiasm for learning that will stay with them throughout their life.

We endeavor to provide a safe, loving environment where each child and his or her work is accepted unconditionally. We understand that every child is a gift from God, created uniquely with different strengths and weaknesses. In knowing this, we strive to teach each child in a way that best suits his or her learning style.

Children learn through play; it is their "work." We will therefore provide enriching experiences through play and formal teaching that will encompass many different preschool skills.

**Our Schedule:** TLC operates on a 9-month schedule. School begins the first week in September and ends the last week of May. We offer 2-day, 3-day and 4-day options, depending on the child's age:

- 3's Program: 9 AM - 12 PM, Tuesday/Thursday (2 day) *We may add a 3 day 3's class if there is interest.*
- 4's Program: 9 AM - 12 PM, Monday/Wednesday/Friday (3 day)
- 4's Program: 9 AM - 12 PM, Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday/Friday (4 day)
- Optional Lunch Bunch for 4's: 12 PM - 2 PM, Wednesdays, following their regular class time

## 3 Year Olds

Our 3's program provides your child with a fun and positive "first school" experience. Some of the basics we will teach in each class include:

- Character building
- Taking turns
- Sharing with others
- The importance of listening and following directions
- Respect for others and ourselves
- Developing their attention span
- Respecting and enjoying the world God created for us

We will have themes throughout the year, which will be reinforced through stories, songs and daily craft time. Letter and number recognition, colors and shapes will be reinforced on a daily basis. Many pre-math, pre-language, pre-writing and pre-reading activities will be available everyday during free play. We will also include a daily Bible story or truth. There will be plenty of indoor and outdoor play, as well as short periods of formal teaching where children will learn the importance of sitting quietly and listening as a group. We will have stories, songs and organized large motor activities daily.

## 4 Year Olds

Both of our 4 year old classes are scheduled much like our 3's class. Each day begins with circle time where we discuss briefly our plan for the day, go over our calendar and weather and are introduced to the letter of the week. We then move on to our free choice activity time where children will choose their own area of interest. Following this is a time for organized play which includes opportunities for pre-writing, language, reading, math and Bible time.

Those units of study for the upcoming year will include but are not limited to letters, numbers, colors, nutrition, community helpers, our families and dinosaurs. All of these activities work toward kindergarten readiness. We will provide opportunities to develop large motor skills through games and activities, as well as daily outdoor play when weather permits. Creative expression through songs and movement, as well as stories centering on our various themes will be an expressive part of our day.

**Lunch Bunch:** On Wednesdays, 4 year olds can bring a lunch and stay until 2 PM. There is an additional charge for this program.

## General Information

**Snacks:** All Children are asked to bring a healthy snack and drink each day. Lunch boxes should be clearly marked with your child's name.

**Enrollment Requirements:** To be enrolled in the 3 year old program, children must be 3 years of age by December 31st and must be toilet trained. To be enrolled in the 4 year old program, children need to be age 4 by December 31st. Enrollment is limited to 10 children per class. Additional names will be placed on a waiting list. Therefore, early application is encouraged.

A non-refundable \$100.00 registration fee is due with your application.

### Tuition and Fees for Fall, 2016:

- 2-day, 3 year old program: \$2600/year or \$289/month
- 3-day, 4 year old program: \$3500/year or \$389/month
- 4-day, 4 year old program: \$4200/year or \$467/month

Tuition is payable in nine monthly installments or in full. Whether you are paying monthly or annually, payment is due by September 5th. If payments are more than 10 days late a fee of \$20 will be charged.

**Confidence:** To provide you with a sense of security when you entrust us with your children, you can know that each person here at TLC has been hand-picked and has received a thorough background check, which includes both FBI and Connecticut State Police fingerprint checks, in-depth employment and reference checks, as well as detailed instructional and interpersonal reviews.

**Contact:** If you would like more information or if you would like to make an appointment for a visit, please contact us.

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