



Dear Parents,

Thank you for expressing interest in the Nativity Early Learning Center (NELC). The Center has been serving families for over 32 years. The NELC offers a safe and loving environment for children ages 33 months to 12 years. The NELC has an excellent Full Day Preschool program as well as an Extended Day Program for those children attending Nativity School in grades K-5th. We offer convenient hours with long-term, knowledgeable, dedicated, and loving staff. Our preschool programs are designed to maximize the educational and social benefits for your child's future success. Our teachers are committed to providing children with a curriculum that continues to grow as they do! In addition to our school year program we also offer a summer camp with field trips and special adventures and activities.

The enclosed packet includes a brief explanation of the programs that we offer. To begin the registration process, please give Nicole Clausen, the NELC director, a call at 651-696-5437 to get your child on the waiting list. Enrollment at the NELC is on a first come, first serve basis, considering space availability within each classroom or age group and the age appropriateness of the child. The NELC is open to the public.

Beginning Mid-January, we will open up fall and summer registration to those families on the waiting list in order to fill all of the available spots. New students will be accepted according to the following priority list:

1. Children who currently have siblings attending the NELC programs.
2. First come, first serve basis according to the waiting lists.

Please feel free to contact the director if you need further information about our programs or would like to schedule a tour. Follow us on Facebook at facebook.com/NativityELC

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**If you are looking for a half day preschool experience please call 651-696-5400 for more information. **



Program Options

<p>Full Day Preschool</p> <p>Tweety/Owl: 3 and 4 yrs.</p> <p>Munchkins: 4 and 5 yrs.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 33 months to 5 years old • 6:30am-6:00pm <p>Program Day Options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 days a week (M-F) • 4 days a week (M-TH) • 3 days a week (MWF) • 2 days a week (TTH) <p>*Days can be flexible</p>	<p>Curriculum Highlights</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social and Emotional Development • Different Approaches to Learning • Language and Literacy Development • Creativity and the Arts • Cognitive Development • Physical Motor Development • Religious Education • STEM • Sign Language/Spanish basic skills in the Munchkins • Research Based Curriculum with Themes • Cooking Projects • Music and Movement- Yoga • Daily Outside Time- 2x a Day! • Special Person of the Week • Daily Rest Time • Special Events Throughout the School Year 	<p>Must be completely toilet trained to attend</p> <p>Licensing requires staff to child ratio of 1:10 in the Tweety/Owl and Munchkin Programs; however, we pride ourselves in keeping these ratios at a lower level.</p>
<p>Extended Day</p>	<p>Children enrolled at Nativity School in Grades Kindergarten- 5th grade.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6:30am to 8:05am and 2:45pm to 6:00pm <p>Program Day Options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 days a week • 4 days a week • 3 days a week • 2 days a week • 1 day a week <p>*Days can be flexible</p>	<p>Curriculum Highlights</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planned and Guided Crafts and Activities • Homework Time if Needed • Enrichment Activities • Snack • Free Choice Time in the Classroom • Daily Outside Time • Large Motor Room/Auditorium • Children are able to participate in extracurricular activities at Nativity School 	<p>Must be completely toilet trained to attend</p> <p>Staff to child ratio of 1:15</p>
<p>Summer Camp</p>	<p>Ages 33 months to 12 years old</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6:30am-6:00pm <p>Program Day Options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 days a week (M-F) • 4 days a week (M-TH) • 3 days a week (MWF) • 2 days a week (TTH) <p>*Days can be flexible</p>	<p>Curriculum Highlights</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hands-on Activities/Group Games • Free Choice Time in the Classroom • Outside Time and Park Field Trips • Arts and Crafts • Theme Based Curriculum • Field Trips on site- 2X a week • Special Event Days 	<p>Must be completely toilet trained to attend</p> <p>Staff to Preschool Ratio of 1:10</p> <p>Staff to Extended Day ratio of 1:15</p>

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2023 Nativity Early Learning Center Summer Camp Summer Camp Starts Tuesday, June 6th 2023

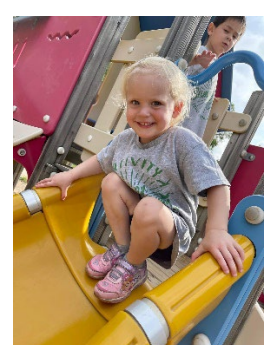
The Nativity Early Learning Center (NELC) Summer Camp is a 12-week program designed for children from ages 33 months – 12 years old. Each week is filled with hands on activities, arts and crafts, on-site and off-site field trips, outside time, gardening, trips to the park, and much more! It is an educational, fun filled way for your child to spend their summer!



Center Information:

- ☀ 5-, 4-, 3- or 2-day options
- ☀ Flexible Schedules
- ☀ Hours M-F 6:30am-6:00pm
- ☀ Open to the Public!
- ☀ Breakfast and Snacks Provided

For more information, please contact Nicole Clausen at 651-696-5437 or nclausen@nativitystpaul.org





Preschool Program Plan

The Nativity Early Learning Center's preschool programs are designed to maximize the educational and social benefits for your child's future success.

Our staff is committed to providing children with a curriculum that continues to grow as they do! Your child will experience the joys of learning in their preschool classroom as they explore the following academic areas:

There are six areas of development that our youngest children focus on throughout their days in the preschool programs at the NELC. These areas follow the Minnesota Early Childhood Indicators of progress. The NELC has also added an additional area on Religious Education.

Social and Emotional Development	Emotional Development, Self-Concept and Social Competence and Relationships
Language and Literacy Development	Listening, Speaking, Emergent Reading and Emergent Writing
Cognitive Development	Mathematical and Logical Thinking: Number Concepts and Operations, Patterns and Relationships, Spatial Relationships/Geometry, Measurement and Mathematical Reasoning Scientific Thinking and Problem Solving: Observing, Questioning and Investigating Social Systems Understanding: Human Relationships and Understanding the World
Physical and Motor Development	Gross Motor Development, Fine Motor Development and Physical Health and Well-Being
Approaches to Learning	Curiosity, Risk-Taking, Imagination and Invention, Persistence and Reflection and Interpretation
Creativity and the Arts	Creating, Responding and Evaluating
Religious Education	The children will develop an awareness of God, the bible, learning prayers, empathy, respect and values through developmentally appropriate activities including being kind and loving to each other.

Areas of the Classroom

The following is a sample list of some of the terms you may hear your child or your child's teachers use to explain the areas of the classroom and the activities that occurred.

Free Choice Time	During free choice time or "free play" children are allowed to move freely throughout the entire classroom. Socialization skills, problem solving skills, cooperative play and many other skills emerge from free choice time. Below is a list of areas in your child's classroom.
Dramatic Play	Encourages problem solving skills, role-playing, socialization skills, language skills and cooperative play interactions.
Book Area	Provides a quiet area to learn early letter and word recognition.
Manipulative Area	Encourages math skills, cooperative skills, fine motor skills and turn taking.
Science Area	Encourages children to appreciate nature and the environment, to experiment, discover and to develop cause and effect skills.
Art Area	Provides a variety of medias and opportunities for creative expression.
Sensory Table	Encourages hand on expression.
Music Area	Encourages music appreciation. The children are also exposed to music of different cultures.
Block Area	The children are able to use math skills, problem solving skills, large/fine motor skills and spatial relationships.
Social Studies Area	Children are provided with varied opportunities and materials to learn about the community in which they live as well as the classroom community. This helps each child feel accepted and gains a sense of belonging. Children can build their understanding of diversity in family structure and culture through book, conversations, posters and other materials that demonstrate people in various cultures.



K-5th Grade Extended Day Program Plan

The goal of our extended day program is to offer families a program that meets and understands the growing demands and challenges that families face today. Whether your children need a quality program before or after school – Nativity Early Learning Center is here to provide extended care to your children. *A Great Start and Finish to Every School Day!*

Children arriving between 6:30 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. will be offered breakfast and time to socialize with teachers and their peers. The after-school program offers:

- Classroom Activities
- Planned and guided crafts and activities
- Enrichment activities
- Homework time if needed
- Afternoon Snack
- Free Choice Time in the Classroom
- Daily Outside Time
- Large Motor Room and Auditorium across the street at Nativity School

When Nativity School is not in session, the NELC provides extra care for children in the extended day program. All children must be signed up one week in advance for school release days. There is an additional charge for each extra care day. All extended day children are in the NELC on these days.

After School Extracurricular Activities at Nativity School

Nativity School offers many extracurricular activities for its students, many of which take place in the school directly after classes. Due to the close connection between the school and the Early Learning Center, it is possible for our children to participate in some of those activities. The activities range from intramural sports to music lessons to scouting programs. A complete listing of after school programs available to your children is available on the school web site under extra-curricular activities.

- ☀ 5, 4-, 3-, 2- and 1-Day Options Available- As low as \$25 per day!
- ☀ Days can be flexible
- ☀ Follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/NativityELC
- ☀ Come and stop in for a tour! Please contact Nicole Clausen at 651-696-5437 or nclausen@nativitystpaul.org for more information.



2023-2024 School Year

Full Day Preschool Program Rates

Full Day Preschool Program: Hours 6:30am-6:00pm

5 Days a week (M-F)	\$329 per week
4 Days a week (M-Th)	\$265 per week
3 Days a week (MWF)	\$199 per week
2 Days a week (TTh)	\$132 per week
*Days can be flexible	

2023-2024 School Year Extended Day Program Rates

Extended Day Program: Grades Kindergarten-5th Grade- After School (2:40pm-6:00pm)

5 Days a week (M-F)	\$122 per week
4 Days a week (M-Th)	\$ 98 per week
3 Days a week (MWF)	\$ 74 per week
2 Days a week (TTh)	\$ 49 per week
1 Day a week (M-F)	\$ 25 per week
*Days can be flexible	

Extra Care Days

Full Day Preschool

- Days not scheduled: \$65 per day

Extended Day Program: Grades Kindergarten-5th Grade

- Extra care days when Nativity School is not in session: Additional \$40 per day
- Extra care days when Nativity School is not in session and your child attends days they are not normally scheduled to attend: \$65.00 per day
- Morning care: \$8.25 per day
 - **You must sign up for morning care ahead of time**

Additional Information

Sibling Discount for Full Day Preschool Children Only: The second child will receive a 10% discount if both children attend 4 or 5 days a week.