

PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

Indoor Discovery Time



During this self-directed learning center time, there are five rooms available, each with different types of activities. The Rainbow Room is our main art area, with an ongoing art center and creative projects each day. The Block Room is used for motor skill activities: dance, gymnastics, bean bag tosses, large block building, etc. In the Tree Room, we have our science projects, memory games and explore with our animals. We have a Quiet Room with a reading loft, pillows, books and puzzles - a wonderful place to relax. Our main role-playing area is the Sun Room, complete with dress-up clothes, housekeeping area and a two-story playhouse. We also bake and cook snacks with the children daily. Teachers are in each area with activities planned around our themes and the room

they are in. Children make choices of activities and how long they stay in each area and each activity.

Outdoor Discovery Time

We offer activity centers at outdoor time as well, including art activities on the patio, a group lawn game, sandbox, gardening, feed and exploration with the outdoor animals. Children may also explore the play equipment with their friends. Snack is available during this time. Outdoor animals are available at each center, (some locations have farm animal areas) depending upon outdoor space. Teachers are at each activity area and children may choose any or all outdoor activities.



Group Time



Each child goes to a specific room with their teacher for Group Time. The children are placed by developmental age and ability. The children participate in talking time, story sharing, movement or motor skill activities and work on the project each teacher has planned. Projects are designed to encourage language development and readiness skills. Each group has goals based upon their developmental age, we group into Pre-K (those children who will be attending kindergarten in the next year), the middles (approximately 3-4 years) and the littles (approximately 2 to 3 years).

Circle Time

Circle Time is a language/music oriented time of day with a variety of songs, fingerplays, stories and pretend adventures. Our circles are active - involving all children. Preschool Ratios: Discovery Tree maintains a teacher-child ratio of 1 to 8 in our preschool program.



Field Trips (Suspended during Covid)



Pre-school, and school age children participate in a variety of age appropriate walking or driving field trips. Parents are sometimes needed in order to ensure safe and enjoyable field trips. Parents will receive permission forms well in advance for each field trip, please note the deadline for sign-up. In order to maintain safe ratios, last minute additions will not be allowed.

**** Any child under 8 years and 80 lbs. or height of 4'9" will not be transported without a car seat. It's the law!**