

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the philosophy of Community Preschool? Community Preschool offers a play-based preschool program in which children learn social skills, independence, and cooperation all while doing what they do best – playing!

What classes do you offer for what ages? We offer two toddler classes for children who are two by September 1st. We also offer three preschool classes for children who are two years, nine months by September 1st.

When do your classes meet? The toddler classes meet on Mon/Wed (9:15-11:30) and Tues/Thurs (9:15-11:30). The Preschool classes meet Mon/Wed/Fri (8:45-11:15), Tues/Thur (8:45-11:15), and Tues/Wed/Thurs (12:15-2:45). The afternoon class offers a 4th day (Mondays) during 2nd semester. Families may also opt to sign up for multiple preschool classes.

How many children are in each class? The toddler classes are capped at 12 children with 2 teachers and a parent helper. The preschool classes are capped at 18 children with 2 teachers and a parent helper.

What is tuition? The toddler classes are \$1450 for the school year. The 2-day preschool class is \$1480, and the 3-day preschool classes are \$2000 for the school year. The TWTH afternoon class has a Monday option for 2^{nd} semester. The cost of adding a 4^{th} day is an additional \$321.50

CPS is a co-op. What does that mean? Parents have the opportunity to witness their child at work and play in the classroom as a parent helper several times throughout the semester. In addition, parents will serve on the board or on a committee. Working with other parents for the good of our preschool helps build our community, as lasting friendships between our parents are one of the extra benefits of our co-op.

What do parents do when they are "parent of the day?" Parents are an extra pair of hands in the classroom. They may read stories, play with blocks, enjoy a pretend snack in our dramatic play kitchen, or help with an art project. In addition to helping with the children, parents have a few cleaning tasks before and after class and provide snack. Most of all, parents are able to enjoy the "window into their child's day" by participating in the class day.

Can someone other than a parent help in the classroom? Yes, grandparents, friends, nannies are welcome to serve as "parent of the day."

Do children have to be potty trained to attend CPS? Children do not have to be potty trained for our toddler classes but must be potty trained for the preschool classes.

How does the school handle allergies? Community Preschool is a peanut-free school. With all allergies we work with parents to come up with a safe plan.

When does Community Preschool start enrollment? Registration for returning and continuing families begins January 17, 2023. Registration for new families begins January 24, 2023.

How can I enroll my child at Community Preschool? You can find our registration packet towards the bottom of the Admissions tab on our website. Print the registration form and mail it to:

Community Preschool of Whitefish Bay PO Box 170781 Whitefish Bay, WI 53217.

Forms must be postmarked **on or after** the registration start dates (January 17 – returning/continuing families; January 24 – new families).

Can I visit the school? You are welcome to visit the school during school hours. You do not need to make an appointment.