



Frequently Asked Questions:

What ages can enroll?

We can enroll up to 16 infants (ages eight weeks to 15 months), 14 toddlers (ages 16 months to 32 months), and 30 preschoolers (ages 33 months to Kindergarten).

When possible, we also offer after school care for school aged children, along with non-school day care, and school aged-summer programming!

How many students can be in each room?

Infants: A maximum of eight infants per room, with a minimum of two adults per room.

Toddlers: A maximum of 14 toddlers per room, with a minimum of two adults per room.

Preschoolers: A maximum of 20 preschoolers per room, with a minimum of two adults per room.

School Age: A maximum of 15 school-aged children per room, with a minimum of one adult.

What are the education requirements of the teachers?

In accordance with MN licensing requirements, there will be a minimum of one lead teacher qualified individual per age group, along with teacher assistants, and teacher aides. Lead teachers must have earned at least a two-year degree for Early Childhood Education, or other Education degree. They can also be qualified if there is ample Early Childhood work experience. Teacher assistant requirements are slightly less, but still in line with Early Childhood education. Teacher aides can be anyone that we deem responsible and competent to hold this position, over the age of 16. All individuals are required to go through a criminal background study, as well.

What are school hours?

Our hours are 7:30-5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. We are closed on major holidays and also a few planned maintenance/training days for staff.

Will the teachers use a curriculum?

Yes, the infant and toddler rooms will utilize Creative Curriculum for Infants and Toddlers, and the preschool room will utilize Get Set for School Curriculum for Preschool.

Do you provide meals and snacks?

YES! We are happy to share that we will have a full commercial kitchen to cook and provide fun, healthy, and varied meals and snacks for the children each day. A daily schedule will include breakfast, lunch, and an afternoon snack.

Will the building be secure?

We believe in privacy and safety for our children, staff, and families. Laker Prep Early Childhood Center will be locked at all times, with families able to come and go as they please through a keypad lock. The playgrounds will be locked and fenced at all times. Security cameras will also be placed in all major areas of the building and its exterior.

Can I visit my child(ren) during the school day?

YES! We encourage you to feel at home at Laker Prep Early Childhood Center, and welcome visiting! You are our clients, and want you to observe or join your child(ren) at any point in the day. We assume that you will be respectful of the children's activities, so they can continue to participate in the routine of their day.

We also welcome infant mothers to come and feed their child(ren) during the day, if they so choose. When needed, we will have private spaces available for breastfeeding mothers.

What do I need to do to secure a spot for my child(ren)?

To secure a spot, please first download an interest form from our website: lakerprepreschool.com. Please send this form to lakerprepecc@gmail.com, and you will be contacted to discuss your needs for childcare. Once we have confirmed that you are ready to enroll, you will be asked to place a deposit equal to a week's worth of care for each of child/children, which will be applied during the final week of care at our center. Additional enrollment and immunization forms will need to be on file prior to the first day of attendance.

What are my payment options?

If at all possible, we ask that you sign up for automatic payment, with a small yearly fee to help with transactions through your bank. You can choose to have your payments made weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly.

Check, cash, or credit card payments will also be acceptable, with the same time lines as automatic payment, and will be expected to be made during the week of attendance, or in advance for multiple weeks. Late fees will be applied if payment is not made by the beginning of the week following payment deadline.

We are happy to continue answering any other questions or concerns you may have about enrollment! Please don't hesitate to call or email Eric or Mary:

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We look forward to chatting with you!