

Voorheesville
Community Preschool



Voorheesville Community Preschool COVID-19 Plan for the 2020-2021 School Year

Meet the Teacher/Parent Orientation/Conferences

- Parent Orientation will be via Zoom (**September 1st @ 7:30PM**)
- Meet the teacher will be held outside, (**September 9th and 10th**) 15 minute increments, 10 minutes with parent and child. Both must wear masks. No siblings- they can stay in the car if you need to bring them.
- Any Conferences will be via Zoom or by phone

Parent Communication:

- All parent communication will be sent via email

Tuition:

3 year olds- \$100/month

4 year olds- \$130/month

-tuition is due by the first of each month

-you can pay via check; you can give this to a teacher at the playground meetings

-you can pay via credit card/paypal online at...

<https://www.fumcv.org/pre-school.html> (scroll down until you see "pay with paypal" on the left hand side) *a small fee will be added to your bill to cover the credit card processing fee

-If payment isn't received by the 5th of the month, you will be charged a \$10 late fee

Supply "Box":

Each child will receive the following supplies to use throughout the year. Please keep these supplies somewhere safe and together to easily access during group lessons

- Laminated Name Plate
- Dry Erase Marker
- Letter/Shape/Number book
- Glue bottle
- Glue Stick
- Kid Friendly scissors(4 year olds only)
- Box of Crayons
- Dry Erase Board
- more to be added...

Weekly Care Package:

- Art Supplies and learning materials supplied weekly for the following week
- Available to pick up at the playground meet ups
- Can be delivered to student's home if unable to attend playground meet

Schedule:

The first day of classes will be Monday, September 14th

4year olds:

Monday: Full Group Meeting(all 6 kids)

9AM-9:45AM

Wednesday: Small Group Meetings (2 kids in each group)
9-9:30AM
9:30-10:00AM
10— 10:30AM

Friday: Playground Meet
11-11:30AM

3year olds:

Monday: Full Group Meeting(all 10 kids)
10Am-10:30AM

Wednesday: Small Group Meetings (3-4 kids in each group)
10:30-10:50AM
11-11:20AM
11:30-11:50AM

Friday: Playground Meets(5 kids in each group)
9:30-10AM
10:15-10:45AM

**I will also be recording videos and sending online resources to view at your own convenience

No School:

We follow the Voorheesville School District Calendar for school closings.

School will be closed the following days:

September 28

October 12

November 11

November 24-27

December 23-January3

January 18

February 15-19

April 2-10

The last day of school will be May 27th and May 28th(Graduation for the 4 year olds)

Schedule Details:

Meet the Teachers:

At the start of the year, we will schedule a short, outdoor, physically distanced meetings. The idea is to get to know you and your child, and for you and your child to get to know us! If you would prefer to do this via Zoom, that's great too! The choice is yours.

Virtual Full Class Meetings led by Teachers—

- 45 minutes each on Mondays(or first day of week), for the 4 year olds.
- 30 minutes each on Tuesdays(or second day of the week) for the 3 year olds

- Video and other learning materials on the other days.

Virtual Small Groups—

- 2-4 kids virtual meetings on a weekly basis

Small Group Playground Meetings- & Care Package pick up

- Once per week- 30 minutes in length
- Temperature checks will be done. Kids must be healthy, with no cold symptoms to attend
- Playground Sanitation will be done with each group
- Adults must wear masks, highly recommended that kids also wear a mask
- Parent/guardian must be present and is responsible for their child
- each group is a cohort to minimize exposure
- please have your child use the bathroom before our meeting
- locations: playgrounds, possible outdoor “field trips” (apple picking, Five Rivers trails)
- activities: gross motor games and activities, circle time activities, obstacle courses, nature walks...

Care Packages -

- Art Supplies and learning materials supplied weekly for the following week
- Available to pick up at the playground meet ups
- Can be delivered to student’s home if unable to attend playground meet

Pre-recorded Videos

- Weekly videos of Teacher directed lesson
- including lessons on theme of the week, also- Yoga, Art, Books and STEAM

If VCP decides there’s a high risk of infection in the area we may cease in-person activities, which may or may not align with closures in the Voorheesville School District. This would mean:

- We would no longer do “meet ups” at the playground
- No one would be allowed to use the playground.
- Care Packages— Art Supplies and learning materials may be delivered to each student’s home on a bi-weekly basis.

Our goals for Remote Learning:

- letter names and their sounds
- understand number concepts
- recognize, spell and write our first names, last names(4yr olds)
- hold pencils, crayons, and markers correctly
- retell familiar stories
- answer questions about stories
- learn simple nursery rhymes
- concepts of print: left to right direction, holding a book right side up, letters form words, words form sentences
- build vocabulary and listening skills
- patterning and sequencing
- fine motor skills
- gross motor skills
- explore a variety of art processes: painting, drawing, gluing, collage, mixing colors...

- use a variety of art materials: crayons, tempera paint, watercolors, chalk, markers, pastels...
- sing songs and chants · and so much more!
- Handwriting – We will use their workbook to practice writing letters, shapes, and numbers.

- Circle time - a time for learning letter sounds, days of the week, calendar concepts, rhyming, and so much more.

- Fine motor skills – strengthen hands and fingers by manipulating play dough, using tweezers, paper punches, cutting

- Art activities– help reinforce fine motor skills. They also help children express their thoughts and feelings creatively.

- Music activities –provide opportunities for children to enhance their listening skills by exploring sound, rhythm, volume, tempo, and making observations and predictions. We sing A lot!

- Gross motor activities –children use their imaginations and their muscles as they engage in healthy, fun activities. We will provide ideas to get your child up and moving! Ice skate on carpet with waxed paper, transfer toys from one container to another while balancing on one foot, play a run and sort game by tossing household items in the yard and having your child run to collect and sort the items by color, size, beginning letter...

- Block play –using what you have at home, your child will develop creativity and problem solving. Children also get to experience concepts such as organization, cause and effect, classification, size and shape discrimination, and spatial relationships. Use traditional blocks, plastic cups, folded paper...

- Story time –helps children develop an enjoyment and appreciation of literature. It also enhances their knowledge base, comprehension, and vocabulary skills. We will be reading and talking about lots of books!

- Science activities –provide hands on opportunities for observation, investigation, exploration, making predictions, and experimentation. We will give you ideas to try at home!

Rules for outdoor meetings:

- Masks are required for adults. Masks are strongly recommended for kids. Everyone must have a mask on their person in case physical distancing cannot be maintained. Kids can wear a mask around their wrist, or hanging from their neck. They must wear the mask if asked. We hope that we can play games, sing songs, and have fun, all from at least 6 feet apart. If that becomes undoable, masks will be required. Teachers will wear a mask unless more than 6 feet distance can be maintained outside.

- In order to create the safest environment possible, we are asking parents to come with just their child, no siblings.
 - IF you must bring siblings to our outdoor meetings:
 - They cannot join in the activities.
 - Please remain aware of the sibling at all times.
 - Everyone over the age of 2 must have a mask on.

Students who are showing symptoms of COVID cannot attend outdoor meetings. These symptoms include...

- fever
- cough

Before outdoor meetings, parents will be required to confirm the following...

- My child does not have a fever greater than 100.0°F
- My child has not been given a fever reducer in the past 24 hours to reduce fever
- My child does not currently have any of the following symptoms:
 - Fever or chills
 - Cough
 - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 - Fatigue
 - Muscle or body aches
 - Headache
 - New loss of taste or smell
 - Sore throat
 - Congestion or runny nose
 - Nausea or vomiting
 - Diarrhea
- No immediate family member within the household had these symptoms OR had tested positive for COVID-19 in the past 14 days.
- We have not traveled out of the country, or to any of the quarantined states in the past 14 days.