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## Agudas Achim Preschool

Website: <https://www.agudasachim-va.org/learn/preschool/aboutourprogram>

Address: 2908 Valley Drive, Alexandria, VA 22302

Director: Jen Halpern

Phone Number: (703) 998-6072

Email Address: [preschool@agudasachim-va.org](mailto:preschool@agudasachim-va.org)

Age Range of Students: 2 - 5 years

School Hours: 9 am - 1 pm

Extended Care Available: Yes

Hours of Extended Care: 8 - 9 am and 1 - 4 pm

Co-Op: No

Tuition Fees: [View](#) the 2021-22 tuition rates

Open House This Year: Yes

Open House Dates/Times: January 11, 12, 13, 25, 26, 27 at 4:15 pm. Please register in advance [here](#).

Registration: February 2022

**School Philosophy:** Agudas Achim Preschool is a warm, welcoming, and nurturing community preschool. Our children's experiences are guided by Jewish values and traditions and a developmentally appropriate curriculum. We cultivate an active, reflective, and creative learning environment, supporting the total development of each child: spiritual and moral, cognitive, social-emotional, and physical. Our program is play-based and child-centered. Children need many opportunities throughout the day to playfully and joyfully explore their environment, discover new concepts, and practice new skills. Along the way they will feel success as well as frustration. As their teachers, it is our responsibility to create learning experiences for them that are challenging yet achievable. We aim to support every child on their developmental journey, no matter their starting point.

**Special Needs:** Case-by-case basis

**Other Information:** With our flexible schedule, creative programming, and commitment to teaching Jewish values and traditions, Agudas Achim Preschool is unique among early childhood programs in Northern Virginia. We welcome families of all faith traditions and levels of Jewish observance.

**Additional Notes:** We also offer music, movement, Hebrew language, STEAM Lab, and lots of outdoor play on the playground and around the building.



## Aldersgate Methodist Day School

Website: <https://www.aldersgate.net/dayschool>

Address: 1301 Collingwood Road, Alexandria, VA 22301

Director: Patty Spitnale

Phone Number: (703) 768-8351

Email Address: [pspitnale@aldersgate.net](mailto:pspitnale@aldersgate.net)

Age Range of Students: 12 months - Kindergarten

School Hours: Most of our classes are 9 am - 12 pm. The Day School also offers a 5-hour fours and Pre-K class from 9 am - 2 pm. Kindergarten is 9 am - 3 pm.

Extended Care Available: Yes

Hours of Extended Care: 12 pm - 2 pm

Co-Op: No

Tuition Fees:

- Kindergarten: See office
- Pre-K: \$797
- 5-hour Fours: \$792
- 5-day Fours: \$475
- 3-day Threes, 3-day Fours: \$311
- 5-day Threes: \$475
- 2-day Threes: \$240
- Toddler I, Toddler II, Pre-3 (Mondays): \$117
- Toddler I, Toddler II, Pre-3 (Tuesday - Friday): \$133

Open House This Year: Yes

Open House Dates/Times: January 20, 9:30 am - 11:30 am

Registration: Opens January 3rd, 2021

**School Philosophy:** The primary goals of the Day School include teaching each child that he/she is of great worth as a unique being in God's creation; that adults other than parents are helpful, friendly, and fun to be with; that group experiences with other children are exciting and gratifying; and that school is a fun and exciting place. We try to help each child grow toward his or her full potential, develop a love for learning, feel a sense of security, and think and act creatively. At all levels, the typical Day School morning includes verbal and gross and fine motor skills development through activities such as circle time, sharing time, use of manipulatives, and playground and/or Founders Hall free-play time. Creative and social development is fostered through daily arts and crafts, music (either participatory or listening), "reading" and story time, and other play activities. Please come visit and see all the wonderfully creative ways your child can learn!

**Special Needs:** Case by case

**Additional Notes:** The word "Aldersgate" comes from a place where, nearly 300 years ago, a priest named John Wesley first felt his heart on fire with love of God and love for his neighbor. At Aldersgate Day School, our goal is to offer the same opportunity to the children of our congregation and our community. Educating since 1962, Aldersgate Day School is a weekday, three- to five-hour ministry for children 12 months old through Kindergarten. At Aldersgate Day School, your children are (almost) as important to us as they are to you; that's why we provide a safe, loving, Christian environment for your children. Jesus said that for anyone to understand his Kingdom, they will first have to become like little children; that's why at Aldersgate Day School, we're committed not only to teaching your children: we're committed to treating them as though we have something to learn from them as well.



## American Day School

**Address:** 917 Princess Street, Alexandria, VA 22314

**Director:** Pilar Mackay

**Phone Number:** (703) 837-0237

**Email Address:** [americandayschool@verizon.net](mailto:americandayschool@verizon.net)

**Age Range of Students:** 2 months - 5 years

**School Hours:** 7:30 am - 6 pm

**Extended Care Available:** No

**Co-Op:** No

**Tuition Fees:** \$335-\$460 weekly

**Open House This Year:** No

**Open House Dates/Times:** Tours available by appointment Monday - Wednesday 9:30 am - 11 am

**Registration:** Year-round

**School Philosophy:** We believe that each child is a unique individual. At American Day School, it is our mission to provide a warm, nurturing environment for all children to grow intellectually, physically, socially, and emotionally.

**Special Needs:** Not applicable



## Arlington Montessori House

Website: <http://www.arlingtonmontessori.com/>

Address: 3809 Washington Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22201

Director: Jean Miller, Interim Head of School

Phone Number: (703) 524-2511

Email Address: [office@arlingtonmontessori.com](mailto:office@arlingtonmontessori.com)

Age Range of Students: 3 - 6 years

School Hours: 8:30 am - 3:15 pm

Extended Care Available: Yes

Hours of Extended Care: 3:15 pm - 6 pm

Co-Op: Yes

Tuition Fees:

- Tuition for the younger students who rest or nap is \$10,250 + \$5,150 = \$15,400
- When developmentally ready, third-year students who have not turned five by September 30 join the ¾ Day Program for the same tuition as the Morning Program: \$10,250
- Children who are five by September 30 and are true kindergarteners join the full-day kindergarten program (8:30 am to 3 pm) at a discounted tuition of \$8,700

Open House This Year: Virtual only

Open House Dates/Times: Parent Information Sessions, November 18th, 8 pm - 9 pm

December 9th, 9:30 am - 10:30 pm

Registration: Parents are welcome to apply at any time. Enrollment contacts will begin mid-January.

School Philosophy: *Mission:* We are committed to helping each of our children and families realize the full benefit of a complete Montessori experience that meets the needs of the whole child. We recognize that a partnership between school and home is a critical part of the successful development of our children.

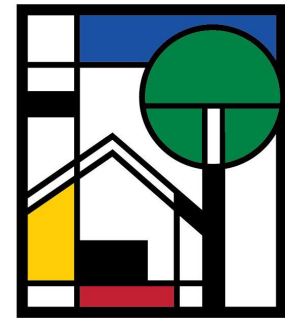
Goals:

1. Sustain program excellence
2. Sustain and elevate AMH operational management
3. Optimize facilities to support the AMH experience
4. Develop and foster a model Montessori community

Special Needs: Unfortunately we do not accommodate children with special needs.

Other Information: We also offer an early care program: 8 am - 8:25 am drop-off. Catered lunch is provided for all children who are in the 3/4 day or after-care program. Napping items are provided, at no extra cost, and laundered by staff.

Additional Notes: We follow the Arlington County Public School academic calendar. A summer program is separate from the school year. Registration for the summer program begins in March. Students who attend other Montessori programs are welcome to register for the summer program.



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## Arlington Unitarian Cooperative Preschool

Website: <https://aucpva.org>

Address: 4444 Arlington Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22204

Director: Diann Vaughan and Kevan Miller

Phone Number: (703) 892-3878

Email Address: [membership@aucpva.org](mailto:membership@aucpva.org)

Age Range of Students: 1 - 5 years

School Hours: 9:30 am - 12:30 pm (3 pm on Thursdays)

Extended Care Available: Yes

Hours of Extended Care: We offer Extended Day (12:30 pm - 3 pm) for 3 - 5-year-olds on Thursdays. Tuition is \$100/month and doesn't require any classroom co-oping.

Co-Op: Yes

Tuition Fees:

- 1-year-olds: \$141/month
- 2-year-olds: \$217/month
- 3-year-olds: \$335/month
- 4-5-year-olds: \$335/month
- Optional Enrichment Classes (3 - 5-year-olds): \$141-165/month

Open House This Year: Yes

Open House Dates/Times: January 22, 10 am - 12 pm

Registration: Closes on February 4, 2022

School Philosophy: Our commitment to each child and family in our community:

- Provide a safe, nurturing, and developmentally appropriate environment
- Respect the individual needs of each child
- Foster a climate that encourages confidence, compassion, and curiosity
- Attract and retain outstanding teachers and staff with competitive wages and a collegial environment
- Support and encourage the professional development of teachers and staff
- Improve parenting skills through parent education and classroom participation
- Build community through active parent involvement in a parent-led cooperative
- Use positive statements in problem solving and discipline (e.g., "Please use gentle hands with your friend" instead of "No hitting")
- Provide an affordable education through parent participation in school activities, committees, maintenance, and fundraising
- Encourage open communication and problem solving between parents, teachers, and staff in the interest of the child
- Focus on the process ("How I did it") versus product ("What I did")

Special Needs: Yes, we accept children with special needs.



## Basilica School of St. Mary

Website: <https://www.smsva.org/>

Address: 400 Green Street, Alexandria, VA 22314

Director: Kate Minkiewicz

Phone Number: (703) 549-1646

Email Address: [registrar@smsva.org](mailto:registrar@smsva.org)

Age Range of Students: 4 years

School Hours: 8 am - 12 pm

Extended Care Available: No

Co-Op: No

Tuition Fees: \$6,725

Open House This Year: Yes

Open House Dates/Times: January 18, 2022

Registration: Currently

**School Philosophy:** The Basilica School of Saint Mary recognizes that each child is a gift made in God's image. Our pre-kindergarten program offers young children a wonderful opportunity to grow, explore, and learn. Through the intercession of our patroness Mary, Seat of Wisdom, our school strives to lead all its students into a joyful relationship with God. We are committed to the spiritual, academic, social, and emotional formation of each child in accordance with the teachings of Jesus Christ and His Church.

**Special Needs:** Case-by-case basis

**Other Information:** Our pre-kindergarten curriculum is child-centered and developmentally appropriate. Using early childhood instructional strategies, our students learn and develop according to their individual abilities. We use Letter-of-the-Week to introduce each letter of the alphabet and its sound. Varied and engaging activities help our students gain pre-literacy and pre-writing skills. These skills are infused daily into each lesson, whether it be through art, music, manipulatives, class discussions, mobile technology, or journal writing. Children benefit from having a full-time instructional assistant working alongside their teacher. Our current 1:8 ratio affords our preschool students individualized instruction. Their personal creations are displayed prominently. Spanish is once a week. Our children also have the opportunity to explore science, math, reading, and dramatic play through center-based activities.





## BASIS Independent McLean

Website: <https://mclean.basisindependent.com/>

Address: 8000 Jones Branch Drive, McLean, VA 22102

Director: Jason Shorbe

Phone Number: (703) 854-1253

Email Address: [mclean-admissions@basisindependent.com](mailto:mclean-admissions@basisindependent.com)

Age Range of Students: 2 years - Grade 12

School Hours: 8:30 am - 3:30 pm (Toddler, PreK, K)

Extended Care Available: Yes

Hours of Extended Care: 7 am - 8:30 am; 3:30 pm - 6 pm

Co-Op: No

Tuition Fees: \$24,900

Open House This Year: Yes

Open House Dates/Times: January 22, 2022; March 26, 2022

Registration: Accepting applications

**School Philosophy:** At BASIS Independent McLean, an age 2 – grade 12 private school in Northern Virginia, students are empowered to explore, discover, and create as they learn at the highest international levels. The world-acclaimed BASIS Curriculum combines top education systems worldwide, resulting in a spiraling liberal arts program with advanced STEM offerings.

Students engage in Mandarin, engineering, mathematics, logic, fine arts, and much more, all taught by passionate subject expert teachers who bring high-level content to life and empower students' full potential. The vibrant learning community centers around the school's values: show respect, take responsibility, and make improvements. These ensure students build the confidence to take control of their education while also learning to be good citizens and friends.

From their very first day, students work on honing the content knowledge, critical-thinking skills, and independence needed to succeed throughout their education, preparing them to enter and excel in the world's best colleges and universities. At BASIS Independent McLean, students ultimately become active participants—not spectators—in their school and larger community.

**Special Needs:** We have limited resources on campuses for many special needs.

**Other Information:** Lunch program available, as well as clubs and sports.



## Beverley Hills Church Preschool

Website: <https://www.bhcpnet.org/>

Address: 3512 Old Dominion Boulevard, Alexandria, VA 22305

Director: Anne Brewster

Phone Number: (703) 549-7441

Email Address: [director@bhcpnet.org](mailto:director@bhcpnet.org)

Age Range of Students: 2 - 5 years

School Hours: 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

Extended Care Available: Yes

Hours of Extended Care: 12:30 pm - 2 pm

Co-Op: Yes

Tuition Fees: \$4,000-9,500

Open House This Year: Yes

Open House Dates/Times: January 8, 10 am (In Person)

Registration: January 2022

**School Philosophy:** Beverley Hills Church Preschool (BHCP) is a Reggio-inspired parent cooperative preschool that for over 75 years has offered an innovative learning environment for young children, their families, and their teachers.

**Special Needs:** Yes.



## Bright Mind Preschool

Website: <https://www.brightmindpreschool.com/>

Address: 322 North Alfred Street, Alexandria, VA 22314

Director: Cookie Balcha

Phone Number: (571) 970-4075

Email Address: [info@brightmindpreschool.com](mailto:info@brightmindpreschool.com)

Age Range of Students: 2.5 - 6 years

School Hours: 7 am - 6 pm

Extended Care Available: No

Co-Op: No

Tuition Fees:

- Annual Registration: \$125
- Activity Fee: \$350 (Mid June - August); \$500 (September - June)
- Preschool 1 (2.5 - 3 years old) 10 children per classroom - 2 teachers: \$390/weekly
- Preschool 2 (3 - 4 years old) 10 children per classroom - 2 teachers: \$375/weekly
- Pre-Kindergarten (4 - 5 years old) 10 children per classroom - 2 teachers: \$375/weekly

Open House This Year: No

Registration: Year-round

**School Philosophy:** Bright Mind Preschool is committed to providing strong educational foundations. We challenge and prepare our students in all areas of development. Children learn best through play. We provide an exciting learning environment that invites curiosity and allows for unique educational experiences. We endeavor to build a lifelong love of learning.

Special Needs: No

Other Information:

- Small class sizes
- Year-round
- Experienced staff
- Outdoor/indoor play
- Extra curriculum (Spanish, music, sports, gymnastics)

## Browne Academy

Website: <https://www.browneacademy.org/>

Address: 5917 Telegraph Road, Alexandria, VA 22310

Director: Kim McCue

Phone Number: (703) 960-3000

Email Address: [admission@browneacademy.org](mailto:admission@browneacademy.org)

Age Range of Students: 3 - 13 years

School Hours: 8 am - 3:15 pm

Extended Care Available: Yes

Hours of Extended Care: 7 am - 8 am; 3:15 pm - 6 pm

Co-Op: No

Tuition Fees: 2021-2022 Preschool School Year: \$23,650

Open House This Year: Yes

Open House Dates/Times: Wednesday, January 12, 2022 (10 am - 11:30 am); Thursday, April 14, 2022 (10 am - 11:30 am); Saturday, May 21, 2022 (10 am - 11:30 am)

Registration: [Current](#)

**School Philosophy:** Browne Academy began as one of the first integrated schools in Virginia. Today that spirit of inclusion endures, as our core values – excellence, diversity, character, and community – are an integral part of our school's tapestry. By encouraging all members of our community to exemplify these values every day, we are building a foundation of empathy and respect that will serve our students throughout their lives.

We believe in providing our students with experiential learning opportunities that encourage thoughtful questioning, personal engagement, use of the greater community, and a deeper understanding of the world. Through our inquiry-based approach, we strive to foster our students' natural curiosity and develop their lifelong love of learning.

We intentionally keep our class sizes small to nurture each child's academic, social, and emotional growth. Students feel safe and cared for in such an environment, and as a result, we see them thrive. Our graduates are equipped both academically and personally to navigate life after Browne Academy with confidence.

**Special Needs:** Evaluated during application process.



## Burgundy Farm Country Day School

Website: <https://burgundyfarm.org/>

Address: 3700 Burgundy Road, Alexandria, VA  
22303

Director: Omi Eaddie, Director of Admissions

Phone Number: (703) 960-3431

Email Address: [omie@burgundyfarm.org](mailto:omie@burgundyfarm.org)

Age Range of Students: Junior Kindergarten (4 years old) to 8th grade

School Hours: 8:30 am - 3:15 pm

Extended Care Available: Yes

Hours of Extended Care: 7 am - 6 pm

Co-Op: No

Tuition Fees: Junior Kindergarten \$32,143

Open House This Year: Yes

Open House Dates/Times: Saturday, January 8, 2022 (2 pm - 4 pm)

Registration: [Register online.](#)

**School Philosophy:** Our philosophy is rooted in the concepts of progressive education, which honors the physical, emotional, social, and intellectual development of children, allowing growth to unfold at each child's own pace. Through work, exploration, and play, we seek to educate the whole child, not just the intellect.

**Special Needs:** Burgundy has a school counselor, a Lower School reading specialist, a Lower School learning and differentiation specialist, and a Middle School learning and differentiation specialist, along with a health coordinator. However, the school is not staffed to support serious learning disabilities or learning or emotional issues that generally would require ongoing specialized services.

**Other Information:** Burgundy Farm Country Day School believes that children learn best in an inclusive, creative, and nurturing environment that engages the whole child. Burgundy's innovative, hands-on approach to education cultivates independent thinking, promotes academic excellence, instills respect for diversity, and teaches responsibility for self, for others, and for the natural world.



## Bush Hill Presbyterian Day School

**Address:** 4916 Franconia Road, Alexandria, VA 22310

**Director:** Maureen Osler

**Phone Number:** (703) 922-9185

**Email Address:** [dayschool@bushhill.org](mailto:dayschool@bushhill.org)

**Age Range of Students:** 2 - 5 years

**School Hours:** 9 am - 12 pm

**Extended Care Available:** No

**Hours of Extended Care:** Optional Lunch Bunch held on Tuesdays

Wednesdays, 12 - 1 pm, October – May; Optional Enrichment

Programs for 4-year-old classes, Books & Cooks (4 weeks in November/December); Fitness Fun (4 weeks in January/February); and Simply Science (6 weeks in March - April): 1 pm - 2:30 pm.

**Co-Op:** No

**Tuition Fees:** 2022-23 Tuition Fees

- 2 mornings/week - \$250/month
- 3 mornings/week - \$310/month
- 5 mornings/week - \$450/month

**Open House This Year:** Yes

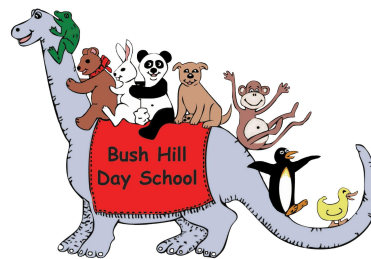
**Open House Dates/Times:** Please contact the Director to sign-up for a tour. Parent informational tours will be held on: Thursday, January 6; Wednesday, January 12; Tuesday, January 18.

**Registration:** Tuesday, February 1, 2022

**School Philosophy:** Bush Hill Day School (BHDS) is a church-related preschool for children ages 2 through 5 with a learn-through-play approach to education. Our school is a supplement to the home and a place where the young child can feel cared for, protected, and secure. Our purpose is to help children discover the joy of learning and to establish positive foundations on which to build their lives. To help achieve this goal, BHDS provides a pleasant environment, limited enrollment, experienced teachers, a curriculum tailored to the developing interests and abilities of each child, and a wide range of resources for instruction.

**Special Needs:** We strive to meet the needs of all children and their families at BHDS. We happily collaborate with outside specialists to accommodate a student's special needs.

**Other Information:** Classes are offered for 2-, 3-, and 4-year-old children, and for 4-year-olds who have turned 5 but have not enrolled in Kindergarten. Those 3-, 4-, and 5-year-olds who have reached the appropriate birthday by September 30 of the current year are eligible to enroll. The cut-off birthday for 2-year-olds is June 30. Two-year-old children may attend two mornings; 2 1/2-year-olds may attend two or three mornings; 3-year-old children may attend two or three mornings; and 4-/5-year-olds may attend three or five mornings per week.



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## Christian Weekday Program

Website: <http://www.christianweekdayprogram.org/>

Address: 7047 Old Keene Mill Road, Springfield, VA 22150

Director: Sue Fuglestad

Phone Number: (703) 569-3479

Email Address: [christianweekday@gmail.com](mailto:christianweekday@gmail.com)

Age Range of Students: 2.5 - 5 years

School Hours: 9:15 am - 12:15 pm

Extended Care Available: Yes

Hours of Extended Care: Three options daily:

- 8 am - 9:15 am
- 12:15 pm - 2 pm
- 12:15 pm - 5 pm

Co-Op: No

Tuition Fees: Monthly

- 2-day (Tuesday/Thursday): \$250
- 3-day (Monday/Wednesday/Friday): \$400
- 5-day: \$525

Open House This Year: No

Open House Dates/Times: Tours are available upon request.

Registration: January 31, 2022

**School Philosophy:** The Christian Weekday Program is dedicated to providing the best-possible environment for the education and growth of preschool children. The guiding principles that emphasize our commitment are:

- Young children reach different levels of learning and development at different times.
- Play is an integral part of the learning process.
- Opportunities for individual activities and flexible groupings are integral parts of programs for young children.
- Families are essential partners in the education process.
- School experiences for young children should be safe, nurturing, and inclusive.

Special Needs: Yes

**Additional Notes:** Students attend Music and Imagination Station once a week for 30 minutes. Pre-K students attend Early Literacy once a week for 30 minutes.



## Clarendon Child Care Center

Website: <https://www.clarendonchildcarecenter.org/>

Address: 1305 North Jackson Street, Arlington, VA 22201

Director: Sandra Redmore

Phone Number: (703) 528-1361

Email Address: [office@clarendonchildcarecenter.org](mailto:office@clarendonchildcarecenter.org)

Age Range of Students: 2.5 - 5 years

School Hours: 7 am - 6 pm (8 am - 5:30 pm during 2021/22 school year)

Extended Care Available: No

Co-Op: Yes

Tuition Fees: Tuition includes snacks, meals, all materials, and special activities. Rates typically increase in January.

- \$422 per week for 2s and young 3s classrooms
- \$388 per week for 4s and 5s classroom
- Additional \$50 monthly COVID fee currently required

Open House This Year: Yes

Open House Dates/Times: Early 2022 (date to be determined)

Registration: The enrollment process begins in January/February; the school year begins the week before Labor Day. Openings are typically filled from the waitlist. Families may join the waitlist anytime. Please note there is a \$75 non-refundable waitlist application fee.

School Philosophy: At CCCC, we celebrate the uniqueness of each child's spirit. Because we believe that children learn best when engaged in work and play that is meaningful to them, our curriculum is emergent. Topics of study, the selection of materials in the room, projects, and field trips are carefully planned from the children's interests and needs. Children are encouraged to observe, to experiment, and to make their own discoveries, and all activities are seen as opportunities for learning to problem-solve. We respect each child's own pace of development and learning style. Social-emotional development is an integral part of the curriculum, and careful attention is paid to fostering the classroom community, including teaching conflict resolution skills. Together we seek to create lifelong learners - curious, enthusiastic, and creative - with a sense of wonder and joy.

Special Needs: Yes

Other Information: CCCC's cooperative structure provides a rare and rewarding opportunity for working parents to be involved in their children's weekday lives. Parent involvement greatly benefits our children and is essential to the smooth operation of our preschool. Our co-op structure creates a sense of community where parents help shape school policy, gain a support network of parents and teachers, and learn more about their child's development.



## Creative Play School

**Website:** <http://creativeplayschool.biz/>

**Address:** 845 North Howard Street, Alexandria, VA 22304; 100 East Windsor Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22301

**Director:** Sandra Blanco (Howard); Kris Solberg (Windsor)

**Phone Number:** (703) 751-3388 (Howard); (703) 836-7090 (Windsor)

**Email Address:** [sblanco@creativeplayschool.biz](mailto:sblanco@creativeplayschool.biz); [ksolberg@creativeplayschool.biz](mailto:ksolberg@creativeplayschool.biz)

**Age Range of Students:** 16 months - 5 years (Howard); 2 - 10 years (Windsor)

**School Hours:** 7:30 am - 6 pm

**Extended Care Available:** Yes

**Hours of Extended Care:** 3 - 6 pm for school-age children in after care

**Co-Op:** No

**Tuition Fees:**

- Toddlers: \$1,660 per month
- Twos: \$1,600 per month
- Three-, Four-, and Five-year-olds: \$1,400 per month
- School-age after care: \$520 per month
- Summer camp for school-age: \$300 per week

**Open House This Year:** No

**Registration:** Admission is open to all children. Parents and children come in for an interview with the director before enrollment can take place. An immunization record and a birth certificate are required before a child may attend school. A waiting list is maintained throughout the year. Siblings are given first priority on the waiting list. A deposit of \$250 is required to reserve a spot on the waiting list. This deposit is non-refundable. When a child is admitted, \$50 is applied to the registration fee, and \$200 is applied to the first month's tuition.

**School Philosophy:** "Learning through play" is our philosophy at Creative Play School. We recognize that even the youngest child looks, listens, and learns. However, because young children lack the self-control necessary for formal classroom situations, they learn most effectively through play activities. Our philosophy emphasizes the development of the whole child: not only are pre-reading and pre-math skills developed, but also social skills and physical exercise are emphasized. Further, this educational approach emphasizes the importance of giving individual attention to every child: every child learns in his or her own way and time. This individual attention helps young children to develop confidence in their own individual abilities. This "learning through play" approach is the prevailing view of child care professionals today and is based on extensive research in the field of early childhood development. This research shows that teaching young children through play activity is the most effective way to encourage their academic, social, emotional, and physical development. When your child concludes our "learning through play" program at Creative Play School, he or she is ready to succeed in the grade school years that lie ahead.

**Special Needs:** Yes

**Other Information:** NAEYC Accredited, Virginia Star Quality Initiative Star Rated, and Virginia State Licensed.

**Notes:** We have a licensed social worker on staff. We offer screenings for hearing, vision, and dental health. We use a variety of assessment tools and screenings. We use developmental checklists, child observation, anecdotal record, PALS, Ages and Stages Questionnaires, and PKBS. We also offer enrichment classes such as soccer and physical fitness classes. Creative Play School is family-owned and operated and has been in business in the city of Alexandria for the last 35 years.

## Crystal City Children's Center

Website:

<http://www.crystalcitychildrenscenter.org>

Address: 3650 South Glebe Road, Suite 170,

Arlington, VA 22202

Director: Luellen Matthews

Phone Number: (703) 979-2770

Email Address: [luellen@crystalcitychildrenscenter.org](mailto:luellen@crystalcitychildrenscenter.org)

Age Range of Students: 12 weeks - 6 years

School Hours: 7 am - 6 pm

Extended Care Available: No

Co-Op: No

Tuition Fees: Please call or email for tuition rates.

Open House This Year: No

Registration: Open enrollment

School Philosophy: Provide high-quality care to infants and toddlers and ultimately prepare children for the transition to Kindergarten.

Special Needs: No

Other Information: Please view [our webpage](#).



## Del Ray Montessori School

Website: <https://www.thedelraymontessorischool.com/>

Address: 100 East Windsor Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22301

Director: Sarah Fondriest

Phone Number: (703) 380-1241

Email Address: [office@thedelraymontessorischool.com](mailto:office@thedelraymontessorischool.com)

Age Range of Students: 18 months - 12 years

School Hours: 8:05 am - 3:15 pm

Extended Care Available: No

Co-Op: No

Tuition Fees: Tuition for 2021-2022:

- Toddler Program (18 months - 3 years) 8:05 am – 3:15 pm, \$20,753
- Primary Programs (3 - 6 years) 8:05 am – 3:15 pm, \$16,646
- Elementary Program (6 - 12 years) 8:05 am – 3:15 pm, \$17,236

Open House This Year: Virtual only

Open House Dates/Times: Information Sessions on Friday, January 7th from 1-3 pm and Wednesday, January 12th from 7-9 pm. Register [through our website](#).

Registration: Applications for the 2022-2023 school year are due February 1, 2022.

School Philosophy: Our school is a non-profit school, led by highly-trained school administration and our DRMS Board of Directors. In addition to offering a high-quality, authentic Montessori education to children, we also offer Chinese as an enrichment to our children ages 3 and up, an exceptional outdoor space, an emphasis on building a community of life-long learners, compassionate global citizens, and resilient children.

Special Needs: No

Other Information: The Del Ray Montessori School is accredited by the Association Montessori International (AMI).

Additional Notes: The process involves:

1. Registering for an online Information Session.
2. Attending a presentation to prospective parents about child development, Montessori education, and our Montessori program. This can be done [via our website](#).
3. Submitting an application online.
4. Meeting with an administrator to learn more about your child's growth and development (adults only).
5. Attending a child visit with your child to meet them and learn more about them.
6. Admissions decisions will be emailed to you. More information is [available here](#).



## Emmanuel Preschool

Website: <http://www.emmanuelonhigh.org/preschool/>

Address: 1608 Russell Road, Alexandria, VA 22301

Director: Nicole Crochet

Phone Number: (703) 683-0303

Email Address: [director@epsonhigh.org](mailto:director@epsonhigh.org)

Age Range of Students: 2 - 5 years

School Hours: 9 am - 12:30 pm

Extended Care Available: Yes

Hours of Extended Care: We have an early drop-off option starting at 8 am.

Co-Op: No

Tuition Fees:

- 2s Annual Tuition - \$3,915. 2s attend on Thursdays and Fridays.
- 3s Annual Tuition - \$5,215. 3s attend on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays.
- 4/5s Annual Tuition - \$6,945. 4/5s attend 5 days a week, Monday - Friday.

Open House This Year: Yes

Open House Dates/Times: We do after-school tours on weekdays. We also have a weekend tour option in January. Please call the school office (703-683-0303) or email [preschooladministrator@epsonhigh.org](mailto:preschooladministrator@epsonhigh.org) to find out more or schedule a tour.

Registration: New Family Applications due by February 16, 2022. Announcement of acceptance is March 1, 2022.

School Philosophy: Emmanuel Preschool offers a play-based, developmentally appropriate, and enriching education for preschool-aged children. We value the spirit of each individual child and provide a safe, nurturing, and inviting environment where children can learn through play, explore their environment, take risks, and become inspired life-long thinkers and learners. We strive to present meaningful experiences for children where they feel confident, self-assured, and empowered to be a leader in their learning and develop a strong sense of self. This leadership enables children to develop crucial social skills, and not only learn academic skills but also be prepared for life and school.

Special Needs: Parents of children with developmental delays or special needs are encouraged to contact the director to discuss whether our school is able to provide the needed support to ensure the best preschool experience for their child.

Other Information: The 2s and 3s are divided up in classes by birthdate. Students eat lunch brought from home at school. All children enjoy a weekly music and movement class, and we incorporate yoga into our program. All parents receive an email from their child's teacher on the days they attend, and the whole community receives a monthly email from the Director. We have a wonderful, supportive, and involved parent community. It is a nut-free school to protect our students with allergies. All teachers are CPR/First Aid trained and attend continuing education workshops and seminars. Speech and OT screenings are available to families who want to pay a small fee directly to the specialist.

Additional Notes: Emmanuel Preschool is Religious Exempt and in compliance with all VA Department of Education guidelines required for child daycare centers and preschools.



## Fairlington Preschool

Website: <https://fairlingtonumc.org/preschool>

Address: 3900 King Street, Alexandria, VA 22302

Director: Carol Keller

Phone Number: (703) 671-3939

Email Address: [preschool@fairlingtonumc.org](mailto:preschool@fairlingtonumc.org)

Age Range of Students: 2 - 6 years

School Hours: Preschool is 9 am - 12 pm; Kindergarten is 9 am - 2:15 pm

Extended Care Available: No

Co-Op: No

Tuition Fees:

- 3-day classes, \$470 per month
- 5-day classes, \$605 per month
- Kindergarten, \$850 per month

Open House This Year: No

Open House Dates/Times: Depending on the pandemic, an open house could happen in February.

Registration: Registration begins in mid-January.

School Philosophy: Fairlington Preschool is an outreach ministry of Fairlington United Methodist Church. Children and families of all faiths and cultures are welcome here. In September 2016, Resurrection Children's Center merged with Fairlington Preschool. The preschool is a family-centered, inclusive community. Our mission is:

- To provide children the active learning experiences that facilitate social-emotional, cognitive, and physical growth using the developmentally appropriate HIGH/SCOPE curriculum.
- To create inclusive classrooms where diversity is treasured and children with differing needs, abilities, and cultural backgrounds, learn and grow together.
- To offer parents the opportunity to work as a team with teachers, and become effective, life-long advocates for their children.
- To be a model for inclusion and family-centered education to families, teachers, and administrators in our community.

Special Needs: Yes

Other Information: A certified therapeutic recreational therapist on the staff spends some time every day with classes setting up movement activities, working in small groups or one-on-one with children, helping children meet goals in the areas of fine and gross motor as well as the cognitive and social areas. She also sets up activities on the playground. There is also an extensive lending library, and every week, children choose a book to borrow. An occupational therapist as well as a speech/language pathologist is on the staff. Children may receive these services at the preschool for an additional fee. Teachers use sign language in the classrooms.

Additional Notes: During the pandemic, children have spent 90 minutes outside on our large playground. Every child brings a small snack from home and a refillable water bottle. Snacks are eaten outside. Children wear masks inside and outside. Children have also been kept in their classroom groups and do not mingle with children in other classes to keep them safe.

## Faith Lutheran Preschool

Website: <https://flcva.org/preschool/>

Address: 3313 Arlington Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22201

Director: Carrie Field

Phone Number: (703) 525-1375

Email Address: [preschool@flcva.org](mailto:preschool@flcva.org)

Age Range of Students: 2 - 5 years

School Hours: 9 am - 1 pm

Extended Care Available: No

Co-Op: No

Tuition Fees:

- 2s - \$280/month
- 3s - \$415/month
- 4/5s - \$495/month

Open House This Year: Virtual only

Open House Dates/Times: December 15th at 10 am

Registration: Applications due by January 31st

**School Philosophy:** Our program is inspired by the Reggio Emilia philosophy of early childhood development. We provide a safe, playful environment where our children are free to discover, explore, question, and express their own experiences, predictions, and evaluations in a myriad of "languages." Offering a variety of materials, tools, concepts, and equipment, we help them to see alternatives, problem solve, and make their own decisions. We are committed to observe and listen, and then to react to and validate their ideas with respect, imagination, and tenderness.

**Special Needs:** Yes, depending on the level of need.



## First Baptist Church of Clarendon Child Development Center

**Website:** <https://cdcarlington.org/>

**Address:** 1306 North Highland Street, Arlington, VA 22201

**Director:** Secethia Boardley-Davis

**Phone Number:** (703) 522-6477

**Email Address:** [firstbaptistcdc@arlington.org](mailto:firstbaptistcdc@arlington.org)

**Age Range of Students:** 12 weeks through and including Kindergarten as well as Day and Summer Camp opportunities for rising K-5th grade children

**School Hours:** 7 am - 6 pm

**Extended Care Available:** No

**Hours of Extended Care:** Not applicable

**Co-Op:** No. While the FBCC CDC is not a parent co-operative, it works to establish, maintain, and sustain strong parent partnerships and welcomes parental involvement.

**Tuition Fees:** Current tuition rates are available upon request.

**Open House This Year:** Virtual only

**Open House Dates/Times:** Currently, the FBCC CDC is conducting virtual as well as "talk while we peek in the window" tours.

**Registration:** Ongoing

**School Philosophy:** At the FBCC CDC, we believe young children learn best when they have an opportunity to practice their intellectual, physical, and social skills every day through activities of their own choosing during long periods of uninterrupted time in an environment carefully planned and prepared by qualified, experienced, as well as highly and continually trained early childhood professionals. Learning through play, often referred to as the child's work, children develop social skills, mature emotionally, engage in, practice, and master cognitive skills and concepts as well as gain the self-confidence required to engage in new experiences and environments.

**Special Needs:** The FBCC CDC welcomes the opportunity to create inclusive care and early learning settings when circumstances permit.

**Other Information:** The natural world provides us with everything we need to survive and thrive: food, water, medicine, and materials for shelter. The FBCC CDC is committed to the continued development of its Environmental Education Programming. The vision of FBCC CDC's Environmental Education programming is, to, through supporting all aspects of growth and development, lay a strong foundation for children to become happy, healthy, resilient, kind, critical thinkers, who will, as adults, contribute well to the natural world around them both locally and globally as we know the children in our care are the next generation of environmental stewards.

Current initiatives of the FBCC CDC Environmental Education Programming include:

- Outdoor Classroom
- Nature-Based Classes
- Forest Kindergarten
- Garden Education
- Passport to Discovery
- Reduce-Reuse-Recycle

**Additional Notes:** The FBCC CDC opened its doors to warmly welcome children to their "home away from home" in September 1969.

The FBCC CDC is a non-profit ministry of the Church at Clarendon. The FBCC CDC operates to provide a quality care and early learning preschool education designed to address the physical, mental, social, emotional, and spiritual developmental domains of children ages 12 weeks through and including Kindergarten while their parents work. The philosophy and focus of the FBCC CDC is to provide exceptional care and early learning experiences that are brain-compatible and developmentally appropriate in both practice and expectation. We strongly believe that a child's primary needs are love and attention.

In addition to ensuring your child's health, safety, welfare, and well-being, the members of the Administration, Care-Giving and Teaching Team Members, Staff, and Personnel of the FBCC CDC are committed to doing so in an appropriately stimulating environment while providing planned and prepared learning opportunities that are brain-compatible-developmentally appropriate and individualized to each child.

## FBCA Weekday Childhood Ministry

Website: <https://www.fbca-wcm.org/>

Address: 2932 King Street, Alexandria, VA 22303

Director: Teri Stewart and Eileen Lane

Phone Number: (703) 684-3733

Email Address: [teri@fbcaalexandria.org](mailto:teri@fbcaalexandria.org) and [eileen@fbcaalexandria.org](mailto:eileen@fbcaalexandria.org)

Age Range of Students: 1 to 6 years

School Hours: 10 am - 2 pm preschool; 9 am - 3 pm Kindergarten

Extended Care Available: Yes

Hours of Extended Care: 9 am - 10 am; 2 pm - 3 pm; 2 pm - 3:30 pm; 2 pm - 4 pm; 3:30 pm - 4 pm.

Co-Op: Yes

Tuition Fees: Tuition is based on the number of days your child attends.

- Tuition ranges from \$400 - \$600 for preschool
- Kindergarten is \$900

Open House This Year: No

Open House Dates/Times: WCM offers tours to parents. Please contact [Teri Stewart](#).

Registration: January 24th - February 25th, 2022

**School Philosophy:** At the preschool, lessons and activities are planned around children's individual differences and learning styles. Children have the freedom within a structured framework to explore and learn through play and interactions with teachers and peers. Teachers provide appropriate activities in large groups, small groups, and learning centers that relate to a specific unit of study. These activities provide hands-on opportunities that allow each child to develop mentally, physically, spiritually, socially, and emotionally at his or her own pace. Children are also provided with opportunities to learn concepts related to God, Jesus, the Bible, church, family, nature, self, and others and to participate in age-appropriate experiences.

**Special Needs:** Yes

**Other Information:** WCM offers a Kindergarten class from 9 am - 3 pm. Children have the freedom within a structured framework to explore and learn through discovery and interactions with teachers and peers. The Kindergarten program seeks to provide a well-rounded program beginning with the core subjects of Language Arts, Math, Social Studies, History, and Science. In addition, students will participate in Music and Art and develop gross motor skills through physical exercise and play.

**Additional Notes:** WCM offers Music and Science once a week. Chapel is offered.





## Grace Episcopal School

Website: <https://graceschoolalex.org/>

Address: 3601 Russell Road, Alexandria, VA 22305

Director: Patti Culbreth, Head of School; Julia Byrnes, Director of Admissions

Phone Number: (703) 549-5067

Email Address: [admissions@graceschoolalex.org](mailto:admissions@graceschoolalex.org)

Age Range of Students: 3 - 11 years (Preschool through Grade Five)

School Hours: 8:30 am - 12 pm (Preschool & Jr. Kindergarten); 8:30 am - 3:15 pm (Kindergarten-Grade Five)

Extended Care Available: Yes

Hours of Extended Care: Morning care - 7:30 am - 8:30 am; Aftercare - 12 pm - 6 pm

Co-Op: No

Tuition Fees:

- \$11,430 (Preschool - Jr. Kindergarten)
- \$22,840 (Kindergarten - Grade Five)

Open House This Year: Yes

Open House Dates/Times: January 8, 2022 at 9:30 am

Registration: Applications due on February 1, 2022

School Philosophy: The mission of Grace Episcopal School is to honor the gift of childhood. Our play-based curriculum and experienced teachers provide children with a nurturing environment to learn, play, and grow together. Grace students benefit from small class sizes, personalized instruction, and a tight-knit community.

Special Needs: No.



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School

## Immanuel Lutheran Preschool

Website: <http://www.ilsalexandria.org/>

Address: 1801 Russell Road, Alexandria, VA 22301

Director: Julia Habrecht, Headmaster

Phone Number: (703) 549-0155

Email Address: [admissions@immanuelalexandria.org](mailto:admissions@immanuelalexandria.org)

Age Range of Students: 4 years (Jr. Kindergarten) through 8th grades

School Hours: 8:20 am - 1 pm (Jr. Kindergarten program)

Extended Care Available: Yes

Hours of Extended Care: Morning Care: 7 am - 8:20 am; After Care: 1 pm - 6 pm

Co-Op: No

Tuition Fees: Jr. Kindergarten: \$7,711 (annually, 10-month payment plan available)

Open House This Year: Yes

Open House Dates/Times: Friday, January 14th, 2022, 9 - 10:30 am

Registration: Application Deadline: January 21, 2022

**School Philosophy:** Immanuel Lutheran School offers a Christian and classical education with a liberal arts curriculum for Junior Kindergarten through 8th grade. Immanuel Lutheran has served families for more than 75 consecutive years and instilled in students a genuine love for learning through a strong liberal arts curriculum, Lutheran catechesis, and a rich academic environment that encourages subject mastery.

ILS teachers emphasize academic excellence, the development of curiosity, consistency, perseverance, and discussion. Together, teachers and students in Junior Kindergarten through 8th grade embark on a shared journey to experience the beauty in the complexity of the natural world, great literature, world history, the wonders of math and science, and the Creator who made us all.

Wisdom, eloquence, and virtue – these are the aims of a classical education at ILS. More than the acquisition of basic skills and mere competency, ILS believes the purpose of education is to transform, elevate and refine the mind and the soul. The focus is for young scholars to develop a strong foundation of curiosity, knowledge, and understanding that can be built upon throughout their lives. The good, the true, and the beautiful are the universal values of a classical education and serve as the building blocks of classical learning. The classical arts are timeless and proven and have been known to produce many eloquent confessors and wise leaders. Classical education is a holistic approach to education, and a return to excellence in teaching, curriculum, and expectations.

**Special Needs:** Not applicable

**Additional Notes:** All of us at ILS have a wonderful opportunity to help cultivate the wonder and curiosity within your children's minds and hearts – this is an especially joyful endeavor in Jr. Kindergarten! Your child will learn new skills that will foster independence, increase their small motor and large motor skills, and develop stronger social skills. Your child's days will be filled with embodied learning: jingles and chants in history and science, sign language in Theology and literacy, movement, and music! Students entering Jr. Kindergarten must be 4 years old on or before September 1st of the year in which they are enrolling. Our Jr. Kindergarten class typically comprises older 4- and 5-year-olds. Jr. Kindergarten at Immanuel is a 5-day-a-week program. Our school day begins at 8:20 am and finishes at 1 pm.



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## Meeting House Cooperative Preschool

Website: [www.meetinghousepreschool.org](http://www.meetinghousepreschool.org)

Address: (site address) 318 South Royal Street, Alexandria, VA 22314;  
(mailing address) 323 South Fairfax Street, Alexandria, VA 22314

Director: Tania Ryan

Phone Number: (703) 549-8037

Email Address: [ahazard@meetinghousepreschool.org](mailto:ahazard@meetinghousepreschool.org)

Age Range of Students: 2 - 5 years

School Hours: 9 am - 12 pm

Extended Care Available: Yes

Hours of Extended Care: 12 pm - 1:30 pm (Pre-K students only)

Co-Op: Yes

Tuition Fees:

- 3 Day 2s - \$4,725
- 2 Day 3s - \$3,195
- 3 Day 3s - \$4,725
- 5 Day 3/4s - \$5,850
- 5 Day Pre-K - \$6,390

Open House This Year: No

Open House Dates/Times: Individual tours and interviews with the Director can be scheduled by contacting the preschool office.

Registration: Current families are placed for the following year in January 2022. Admission is by lottery after current families are placed. Application is on the website and due by January 31, 2022.

School Philosophy: MHCP provides an exceptional, developmentally appropriate education for preschoolers. It uses the emergent learning curriculum model as the basis for the children's program. This developmentally based curriculum accepts the children as active learners who learn through play. It is through adult guidance that the children develop independence and responsibility for their learning.

Special Needs: Yes, MHCP can accommodate children with mild special needs. MHCP is an inclusive program for children with mild learning disabilities.

Other Information: The following are offered at MHCP:

- Music and movement classes (weekly)
- Yoga classes (weekly)
- Special assemblies (monthly)
- Science Seed classes (twice a month)
- OT screening
- Speech and language screening
- Vision screening

Additional Notes: All staff are First Aid and CPR certified.



## Montessori School of Alexandria

Website: <http://montessorischoolofalexandria.com/>

Address: 6300 Florence Lane, Alexandria, VA 22310

Director: Cindy Lanham, Administrator

Phone Number: (703) 960-3498

Email Address: [msa@montessorischoolofalexandria.com](mailto:msa@montessorischoolofalexandria.com)

Age Range of Students: 3 - 12 years

School Hours: 8:30 am - 12 pm for preschool; 8:30 am - 3:30 pm K-6

Extended Care Available: Yes

Hours of Extended Care: 7:30 am - 8:30 am; 12 pm - 6 pm

Co-Op: No

Tuition Fees:

- Preschool 3 -5+ years (8:30 am-12 pm): \$13,250; \$1,325
- Kindergarten 5+ - 6 years (8:30 am - 3:30 pm): \$14,250 ; \$1,425
- Elementary Class (8:30 am - 3:30 pm)
  - 6 - 9 years (1st - 3rd grade): \$15,250; \$1,525
  - 9 - 12 years (4th – 6th grade): \$16,250; \$1,625

Open House This Year: Virtual Only

Registration: Now through February

School Philosophy: The Montessori School of Alexandria, Inc. follows the teaching of Dr. Maria Montessori. Maria Montessori was a pioneer in education and in child psychology.

Education is an aid to life. Maria Montessori created an environment where the natural love of learning is cultivated. The environment is scientifically designed to fulfill the basic needs of the child according to their sensitive periods. The child is supported in his own process of self-construction by adults who care and who have received special training to enable them to observe, guide, and direct their students in this natural process of growth and development.

A hallmark of Montessori education is the mixed-age classroom. Children ages three to six and six to twelve work together. Children of different ages help one another. As they grow in the classroom, they become leaders through communication and harmony. All activities are designed to entice and delight the children with the ultimate purpose of acquiring greater knowledge.

The Montessori School of Alexandria, Inc. is affiliated with the American Montessori Association and licensed by the Virginia Department of Education. The facility is in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations relating to health, fire, and building codes.

Special Needs: Yes.



## Mount Olivet Preschool

Website: <https://mountolivetumc.com/weekdaypreschool>

Address: 1500 North Glebe Road, Arlington, VA 22207

Director: Michele Liberty

Phone Number: (703) 527-5508

Email Address: [preschool@mtolivet-umc.org](mailto:preschool@mtolivet-umc.org)

Age Range of Students: Toddlers to 5 years

School Hours: 9 am - 1 pm

Extended Care Available: No

Co-Op: No

Tuition Fees: Class: Annual Tuition

- Toddlers/Young 2s Tue/Thu: \$3,350
- Toddlers/Young 2s Mon/Wed/Fri: \$4,200
- 3s Mon/Wed/Fri: \$4,500
- 3s Mon-Fri: \$5,300
- 4s Mon/Wed/Fri: \$4,950
- 4s Mon-Fri: \$5,750
- 5s Mon-Fri: \$6,000

Open House This Year: Virtual Only

Open House Dates/Times: Please visit our website for details.

Registration: January 2022 online

**School Philosophy:** Welcome to Mount Olivet Preschool. We believe that our developmental philosophy allows us to provide children in the community with stimulating experiences consistent with the best principles and purposes of early childhood education. We do this in a safe, loving, and Christian environment with qualified and experienced teachers and staff. Our low teacher/child ratios and our teaching team approach enable us to nurture each child as an individual. We strive to prepare all children for the next step in their preschool or elementary school experience and to provide them with the skills they need to live happily and cooperatively in the larger world outside the home. We work to ensure a close partnership with parents at all times.

**Special Needs:** We always try to provide reasonable accommodations whenever possible.

**Other Information:** Our Learning Style:

Mount Olivet Weekday Preschool offers children a progression of knowledge and skills at an age-appropriate level in the following areas within our play-based environment:

*Physical well-being and fine and gross motor development* occurs through movement and coordination games and activities. Children participate in outdoor free play on our playground (weather permitting) or indoor play in the Fellowship Hall. To promote the development of fine motor skills, we provide many opportunities each day for children to use a wide range of manipulatives and visual arts.

*Social and emotional development* occurs through Individual and group social situations that include story time, sharing, small group play, one-on-one meaningful work with classroom teachers, and cooperative play with classmates. These activities help children practice skills such as taking turns, learning to be a good friend, and expressing feelings in a healthy way. Art and music appreciation through exposure and a creative process approach. Children are introduced to different visual art media, provided opportunities to create and express themselves (even if getting messy is part of the process!), and encouraged to display their projects. Children experience different kinds of music through listening, singing songs, and using rhythm instruments.



*Cognitive development* occurs through activities that foster the growth of children's thinking abilities. This includes areas such as concept development, symbolic thought, memory, categorization, reasoning, and problem-solving. Age-appropriate math and science skills are introduced. Classrooms are set up to stimulate and facilitate the pretend play that is so important to a child's cognitive, social, and language development.

*Language development* occurs when teachers support and model effective communication, by talking and listening, and through the teaching of age-appropriate literacy skills in reading and writing. In a print-rich environment, children participate in making up stories, rhyming and other kinds of word play, and games and activities that require listening to and following directions.

*Spiritual development* occurs through creating an atmosphere of love and acceptance of each child as a unique individual created by God. We encourage children to develop a sense of love, hope, and trust in God through daily prayers at meal time, occasional age-appropriate Bible-based stories and songs, and for our older children, monthly chapel time in the church sanctuary.

## Mount Vernon Presbyterian Church Preschool

**Website:** <https://www.mvpconline.org/content.cfm?id=9011>

**Address:** 2001 Sherwood Hall Lane, Alexandria, VA 22306

**Director:** Tara Macbeth

**Phone Number:** (703) 765-7867

**Email Address:** [mvpcpreschool@gmail.com](mailto:mvpcpreschool@gmail.com)

**Age Range of Students:** 2 - 5 years

**School Hours:** 9 am - 12 pm

**Extended Care Available:** Yes

**Hours of Extended Care:** Our Extended Care program begins before school at 8 am and continues through the afternoon until 4 pm. Sign-up is flexible: families can choose to sign up for just the days and hours they need.

**Co-Op:** No

**Tuition Fees:** Our tuition rates can be found [on our website](#).

**Open House This Year:** No

**Open House Dates/Times:** We offer private tours by appointment year round. Please call or email us to set up your family's time to visit: we would love to show you our preschool!

**Registration:** Registration opens on January 18th, 2022

**School Goals or Philosophy:** At MVPC Preschool, we follow a developmentally appropriate, theme-based curriculum, where concepts and ideas are integrated throughout our daily activities and play. Our caring teachers strive to foster the social, emotional, cognitive, and spiritual growth of each child. As active participants in their own learning, our students enjoy engaging and creative activities in a positive learning environment.

**Special Needs:** We strive to meet the needs of all children, and we encourage families to contact us to discuss if our school can accommodate their child's needs.

**Other Information:** Our curriculum is enhanced with weekly classes in music and library taught by our own specialist teachers. We are proud to have our own preschool library full of the best children's literature. Our spacious shady playground has a wonderful assortment of playground equipment and toys suited to furthering the development of our students' gross motor skills, social interaction, and for cooperative play. In addition to being a fabulous place for outdoor play, our well-equipped playground space enables our teachers to implement hands-on lessons in science, art, and so much more!



## OWLS Therapy

**Website:** <https://www.owlstherapy.com/>

**Address:** 2776 S Arlington Mill Drive #546, Arlington, VA 22206 (mailing address only: we come to YOU!)

**Director:** Janene Besch

**Phone Number:** (703) 470-6957

**Email Address:** [info@owlstherapy.com](mailto:info@owlstherapy.com)

**Age Range of Students:** 18 months - 12 years

**School Hours:** Therapy appointments offered Monday-Thursday at your home (or at your child's school with director permission). We come to you!

**Extended Care Available:** No

**Co-Op:** No

**Tuition Fees:** Varies based on length of therapy session.

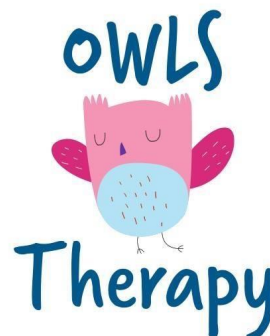
**Open House This Year:** No

**Registration:** Ongoing

**School Philosophy:** OWLS Therapy is a speech and language therapy practice serving children in the Northern Virginia area. We are dedicated to helping your child's speech and communication skills develop and grow, as we believe they are essential to their academic and social success. We offer comprehensive evaluations and devise individual therapy plans that best match your child's personal needs. We also offer all therapy in-home, provide parent and teacher training, offer classroom observations, and help with navigating school-based services. We believe that by working together as a team, your child can reach their full potential. While it takes a village to raise a child, we believe it takes a strong rapport between the child, the parent, and the clinician to reach success in therapy. We believe that knowledge is power, and that together we can succeed.

**Special Needs:** OWLS Therapy is committed to meeting all of your child's speech and language needs. We currently offer in-home appointments for children ages 2-12 in the areas of: Apraxia/Oral Motor Speech Disorders, Articulation and Phonological Awareness Disorder, Auditory Processing Disorders, Aural Rehabilitation related to cochlear implants, Communication Disorders related to Autism, Executive Functioning/Higher Order Thinking Skills, Receptive and Expressive Language Disorders, Social/Pragmatic Communication Disorders, Stuttering, Voice and Resonance Disorders including cleft palate speech.

**Other Information:** OWLS Therapy uses the Lindamood Bell programs of LiPS, Seeing Stars, and Visualizing/Verbalizing to target: Dyslexia, Reading Comprehension Disorders, Writing/Spelling Disorders. We are also trained in PROMPT, Social Thinking, Beckman Oral Motor, DIRFloortime, and LAMP. No one knows your child better than you do. We are here to help with any questions or concerns you may have regarding your child's development.



## Potomac Crescent Waldorf School

Website: <http://www.potomacwaldorf.org>

Address: 212 South Washington Street, Alexandria, VA 22314

Director: Paul Nary, Director, Administration, Marketing & Communications

Phone Number: (703) 486-1309

Email Address: [information@potomacwaldorf.org](mailto:information@potomacwaldorf.org)

Age Range of Students: 2 - 10 years

School Hours: 8 am - 3 pm

Extended Care Available: No

Co-Op: No

Tuition Fees: Please visit the "Tuition" page under the "Admissions" tab [on our website](#).

Open House This Year: Yes

Open House Dates/Times: Virtual Open House Dates: January 19, 2022, 9 am; March 16, 2022, 1 pm

Registration: Registration opens in December on a rolling basis. The new student application deadline is January 26. However, additional applications will be considered depending on space available afterwards.

*School Philosophy:* We believe in the preservation of childhood, the importance of imaginative play and time in nature, the integration of arts and academics, and the development of human beings who will make a difference in the world.

Our vision is to develop thoughtful, fulfilled citizens who have the capacity to think imaginatively, communicate effectively, and relate compassionately. We believe in the Waldorf curriculum for educating the whole human being: head, heart, and hands, which nurture well-rounded individuals who will be successful in school and beyond.

**Special Needs:** PCWS is not equipped to support students with severe learning or behavioral challenges. However, many students with diverse learning styles thrive with our authentic Waldorf curriculum.

**Other Information:** Contact our [Director of Enrollment & Admissions](#) for descriptions of our programs and information about resources to help you learn more about PCWS and Waldorf education.

**Additional Notes:** PCWS will offer programs in the 2022-2023 school year for parent-child, preschool, mixed-age kindergarten, and grades 1 - 4.



## Pozez JCC-Beth El Early Childhood Learning Center

Website: <https://www.bethelhebrew.org/learning/preschool>

Address: JCCNV- BETH EL, 3830 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA 22304

Director: Dina Backer

Phone Number: (703) 537-3084

Email Address: [dina.backer@thej.org](mailto:dina.backer@thej.org)

Age Range of Students: 16 months - 5 years

School Hours: This year, 8 am - 5 pm

Extended Care Available: No

Hours of Extended Care: Our regular hours are 8 am - 5 pm; no extended care

Co-Op: No

Tuition Fees: Beth EL and Pozez JCC members: \$1,720/month; nonmembers: \$1,890/month. New rates are not out yet.

Open House This Year: Virtual only

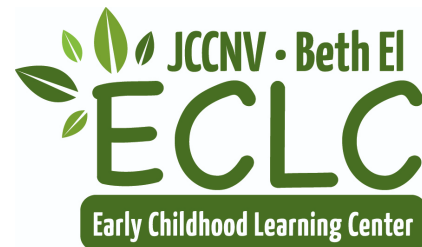
Open House Dates/Times: We meet virtually with individual families.

Registration: In January or February

School Philosophy: We are a Reggio Emilia-Inspired philosophy. We focus on hands-on, process-oriented exploration.

Special Needs: On an as-needed basis as we can.

Other Information: We are a Jewish Preschool that is open to the public: not all our teachers or students are Jewish, but the values we explore are through a Jewish lens (really, universal values with Jewish names!). We are licensed by the State of Virginia.



## Sleepy Hollow Preschool

Website: [www.sleepyhollowpreschool.com](http://www.sleepyhollowpreschool.com)

Address: 6531 Columbia Pike, Annandale, VA 22003

Director: Debbie Brown

Phone Number: (703) 941-9791

Email Address: [shpsenrollment@gmail.com](mailto:shpsenrollment@gmail.com)

Age Range of Students: 2 - 5 years

School Hours: 9 am - 12:05 pm

Extended Care Available: No

**Hours of Extended Care:** Parents may choose to sign up for after-school activities at an additional cost. These activities are open to children in the 3s and 4s programs only and extend the day until 1:30 or 2 pm.

**Co-Op:** Yes

**Tuition Fees:** To learn more about our tuition rates, please visit the tuition page of [our website](#).

**Open House This Year:** Virtual only

**Open House Dates/Times:** Wednesday, January 19 at 10 am; Thursday, January 20 at 7 pm

**Registration:** Registration for the 2022-2023 school year begins on January 19, 2022

**School Philosophy:** Sleepy Hollow Preschool has been nurturing the development of children in Northern Virginia for 70 years! At Sleepy Hollow Preschool, we appreciate and respect the uniqueness of every child. We believe in identifying children's individual strengths, encouraging their interests, and meeting each child's particular needs. We promote the development of positive self-esteem and self-discipline. We also encourage children to think for themselves, make decisions, and trust themselves. We strive to create an emergent curriculum that enriches the lives of our children, families, staff, and community. We learn through play!

**Special Needs:** Yes, all children are welcome

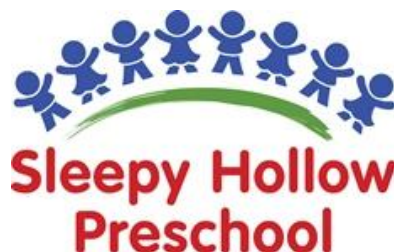
**Other Information:** SHPS spends most of the school day outside, taking advantage of our fabulous outdoor space while following increased health and safety measures due to COVID-19.

SHPS is in compliance with the regulations issued by the Commonwealth of Virginia, the Virginia Department of Social Services, and the Fairfax County Health Department. Our school is also following guidance issued by the Centers for Disease Control.

Sleepy Hollow Preschool has a diverse group of families in its membership and encourages you to join our thriving cooperative community!

### **Additional Notes:**

- Potty-training is not required
- Sleepy Hollow Preschool has one of the best child-staff ratios with 3 adults per classroom
- Licensed by the Virginia Department of Social Services



## St. Anthony of Padua

Website: <https://www.saintanthonyschoolva.org/>

Address: 3301 Glen Carlyn Road, Falls Church, VA 22041

Director: Fiona Lewsley

Phone Number: (703) 820-7450

Email Address: [afry@stanthonyschoolva.org](mailto:afry@stanthonyschoolva.org)

Age Range of Students: 2 - 14 years

School Hours: 7:45 am - 3:25 pm

Extended Care Available: Yes

Hours of Extended Care: 3:25 pm - 5:30 pm

Co-Op: No

Tuition Fees: Preschool Tuition (regardless of age)

- Mornings Only (until 11:45 am) \$5,000
- School Day (until 3:25 pm) \$8,500
- Sibling Discount of 10%
- Application Fee \$50
- Registration Fee \$400, due upon acceptance.

Open House This Year: Yes

Open House Dates/Times: November 19 and December 3 at 4 pm. Private Tours by appointment only.

Registration: November 19 - December 17

School Philosophy: St. Anthony's offers a play-based and Christ-centered Early Childhood program that builds confidence and community through a deep sense of belonging.

Special Needs: Yes, we have a Special Ed. teacher on staff to coordinate our Inclusion Program.

Other Information: Our Summer Camp program makes St. Anthony's a viable option for families seeking year-round child care.

Additional Notes: Preschool students have full access to all campus amenities and Specials classes (Music, Library, P.E. in our full-size gym). Preschool has its own dedicated playground.



## St. Clement Episcopal School

Website: <https://www.saintclement.org/preschool>

Address: 1701 North Quaker Lane, Alexandria, VA 22302

Director: Dory Herman-Sample

Phone Number: (703) 998-8795

Email Address: [dory@saintclement.org](mailto:dory@saintclement.org)

Age Range of Students: 2.5 - 5 years

School Hours: 8 am - 12:45 pm

Extended Care Available: Yes

Hours of Extended Care: 12:45 pm - 3 pm; 12:45 pm - 4 pm; 12:45 pm - 5:30 pm

Co-Op: No

Tuition Fees:

- 8 am - 12:45 pm: \$840
- 8 am - 3 pm: \$1,245
- 8 am - 4 pm: \$1,300
- 8 am - 5:30 pm: \$1,450

Open House This Year: Yes

Open House Dates/Times: January 28

Registration: March 4

**School Philosophy:** We believe that children learn best through play, and it is our responsibility to ensure that children have play opportunities that are fun, developmentally appropriate, encourage cooperation and social development, as well as provide early learning skills.

**Special Needs:** Yes, if we can provide the support needed to create a developmentally appropriate experience.

**Other Information:** St. Clement Episcopal School will celebrate its 70th year of welcoming the children and families of our Alexandria community in 2022!



## St. Luke's Day School

Website: [www.stlukesdayschool.com](http://www.stlukesdayschool.com)

Address: 8009 Fort Hunt Road, Alexandria, VA 22308

Director: Anne Marie Coggins

Phone Number: (703) 765-6699

Email Address: [stlukesdayschoolva@gmail.com](mailto:stlukesdayschoolva@gmail.com)

Age Range of Students: 2.5 years to Kindergarten

School Hours: 9 am - 4 pm

Extended Care Available: Yes

Hours of Extended Care: 12 pm - 4 pm

Co-Op: No

Tuition Fees: 5% sibling discount will apply.

- 2-Day class for Twos - \$260
- 3-Day class for Twos or Threes - \$350
- 5-Day class for Threes - \$550
- 5-Day Pre-K classes - \$550
- JK and Kindergarten classes - \$595
- 5-Day Pre-K or K + 2-Day JK - \$825
- 5-Day Pre-K or K + 3-Day JK - \$995
- 5-Day Pre-K or K + 5-Day JK - \$1,150

Open House This Year: Yes

Open House Dates/Times: Tours available after 4 pm by appointment.

Registration: January 11, 2022

**School Philosophy:** St. Luke's Day School is dedicated to a philosophy of providing a loving and nurturing environment under the guidance of a qualified staff that understands the developmental needs of the pre-school child. By affording a positive atmosphere, an enriching curriculum, the appropriate physical facilities, and the proper resources, a child shall have the very best opportunity to grow while developing a sense of self.

**Special Needs:** Some.



## St. Paul's Episcopal Preschool

Website: <https://www.stpaulsalexandria.com/preschool/>

Address: 228 South Pitt Street, Alexandria, VA 22314

Director: Kristin Teeters

Phone Number: (703) 548-6089

Email Address: [headofschool@stpaulsalexandria.com](mailto:headofschool@stpaulsalexandria.com)

Age Range of Students: 18 months - Kindergarten

School Hours: 9 am - 12 pm

Extended Care Available: No

Hours of Extended Care: Lunch Bunch is typically offered throughout the year for our 3 - Ks students.

Co-Op: No

Tuition Fees:

- 2-day Toddlers: \$4,000
- 3-day Toddlers: \$5,500
- 5-day Toddlers: \$8,500
- 2-year-olds: \$8,500
- 3s - Ks: \$9,200
- An Activity Fee is also charged.

Open House This Year: No

Registration: Open

**School Philosophy:** Our mission is to educate the hearts and minds of young people for lives of learning, leadership, and service. Our early childhood program is designed to engage the youngest learners to develop socially, emotionally, physically, and cognitively through developmentally-appropriate practices rich in social connections, language literacy, math, and other disciplinary skills and content. We are committed to making the preschool experience as full and positive as possible.

**Special Needs:** No

**Other Information:** We offer multiple specials for all students including: Art, Chapel, Library, Music, Resource, Science, and weekly field trips on our school bus.

**Additional Notes:** A school bus is available for morning pick-up and afternoon drop-off, in addition to weekly field trips.



## St. Stephen's and St. Agnes School

Website: <https://www.sssas.org/>

Address: 400 Fontaine Street, Alexandria, VA 22302

Director: Katherine Carbo

Phone Number: (703) 212-2705

Email Address: [hstarek@sssas.org](mailto:hstarek@sssas.org)

Age Range of Students: 3 years - Grade 12

School Hours: 8 am - 3 pm

Extended Care Available: Yes

Hours of Extended Care: Morning care begins at 7 am. Extended care until 6 pm.

Co-Op: No

Tuition Fees: 2021-2022 Tuition:

- Early Saints (3-year-olds) and Junior Kindergarten: \$35,710
- K - Grade 2: \$36,900

Open House This Year: Yes

Open House Dates/Times: Call to schedule an in person tour!

Registration: The application deadline is January 15, 2022

School Philosophy: At Stephen's and St. Agnes School, we are proud of what we offer as a mission-based coeducational, Episcopal day school for Early Saints (three-year-olds) - grade 12. We seek to enroll students of character with diverse interests, talents, and backgrounds.

Special Needs: No

Other Information: A unique feature of a SSSAS education is our three distinct campuses, each home to facilities designed and dedicated to that specific age group, and each with an incredible faculty committed to and expert in those grades.

**St. Stephen's** ✝  
**St. Agnes School**

## Tauxemont Cooperative Preschool

Website: [www.tauxemont.org](http://www.tauxemont.org)

Address: 7719 Fort Hunt Road, Alexandria, VA 22308

Director: Barbara Bradley

Phone Number: (703) 765-9266

Email Address: [membership@tauxemont.org](mailto:membership@tauxemont.org)

Age Range of Students: 2.5 years - Kindergarten

School Hours: 8:45 am - 12 pm, 9 am - 11:45 am, 1 pm - 4 pm

Extended Care Available: No

Co-Op: Yes

Tuition Fees: (Monthly)

- 2-day 3s class \$270
- 3-day 3s class \$330
- 4-day 3/4s class \$415
- 4-day 4s class \$415
- 5-day 5s class \$525

Open House This Year: Yes

Open House Dates/Times: Sunday, January 9th, 2022, 9 am - 11 am (masked and socially distanced)

Registration: Open Enrollment begins January 10, 2022

**School Philosophy:** Tauxemont Preschool believes that formal education is best begun in the first grade and that our primary purpose is to provide an environment for a child to grow emotionally, developmentally, physically, socially, and intellectually.

**Special Needs:** Parents of children with special needs are encouraged to contact the director to determine whether Tauxemont Cooperative Preschool can provide the best experience for their child.

**Other Information:** Tauxemont is state-licensed and accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC).

**Additional Notes:** Tauxemont believes that preschool should be a place where children discover, learn how to work and play successfully with other children, and develop a sense of excitement and interest in the world in which we live and an eagerness to learn more.

We foster child development by providing a wide variety of activities geared to age and skill level, encourage arts in addition to crafts, and dramatic and creative play in addition to organized games and activities.

To read more on our philosophy, visit [www.tauxemont.org](http://www.tauxemont.org).





## Trinity Preschool

Website: <http://www.trinitypreschoolalexandria.org>

Address: 2911 Cameron Mills Road, Alexandria, VA 22301

Director: Claire Maucieri

Phone Number: (703) 549-7422

Email Address: [headofpreschool@trinityalexandria.org](mailto:headofpreschool@trinityalexandria.org)

Age Range of Students: 18 months - 5 years

School Hours: 9 am - 12 pm

Extended Care Available: Yes

Hours of Extended Care: Jump Start 8 am - 9 am; Lunch Bunch 12 pm - 1:30 pm

Co-Op: No

Tuition Fees: Tuition is billed monthly, and rates vary depending upon the age of the child and the number of days per week that they attend school. For more specific information, please [visit our website](#).

Open House This Year: Virtual only

Open House Dates/Times: TBD

Registration: March 1 for new registrants

School Philosophy: At Trinity Preschool, we follow the Creative Curriculum, which is theory and research based on young children's basic needs, supporting each child's social-emotional development, and supporting cognition and brain development. Our program is play-based.

### Our Core Values

1. Our focus is on the children—our preschool supports each child in their journey to reach their full potential intellectually, socially, emotionally, physically, and spiritually. We respect the beauty and wonder of childhood, and remain focused on the knowledge of how best to help children develop and learn. Our program is a part time program focused on the best interest and safety of the children who walk through our doors.
2. Our foundation is the church—our preschool is a ministry of Trinity United Methodist Church, and we covenant to care for all children as God calls us to. In Matthew, Jesus says, "Let the little children come to me, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." We base our work as faithful Christians on clear principles and actively support the faith component of child development through regular chapel sessions.
3. Our service is to the family and community—our preschool believes that children are best understood and supported in the context of family, culture, community, and society, and we respect the dignity and uniqueness of each child, family member, and colleague. We strive to serve through faithful care of our children, and by seeking opportunities to connect with our community. We celebrate diversity and extend hospitality and respect to all.
4. Our mindset is one of growth and opportunity—our preschool is committed to a continual pattern of growth and development in order to remain in the top echelon of early childhood education providers in the Alexandria area. We encourage the implementation and development of a professional curriculum and continued faculty training that reinforces intentional continuity and structure for all classes.
5. Our strength is in relationships—our preschool believes excellence is achieved for our students, faculty, staff, board, families, and all individuals that are involved in the preschool community by building relationships that are based on mutual trust and respect. These relationships are built via



clear and honest communication, by constructively resolving conflict as it arises, and always assuming positive intent.

**Special Needs:** No

**Other Information:** Located in Beverley Hills, Trinity Preschool is a mission of Trinity United Methodist Church and has been offering families an exceptional early childhood education since 1967.

**Additional Notes:** Licensed by the Virginia Department of Education.

## Valley Drive Preschool

**Website:** [www.valleydrive.com](http://www.valleydrive.com)

**Address:** 3606 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA 22304

**Director:** Cindy Hodgkins

**Phone Number:** (703) 519-3737

**Email Address:** [membership@valleydrive.com](mailto:membership@valleydrive.com)

**Age Range of Students:** 2 - 5 years

**School Hours:** 9 am - 12 pm

**Extended Care Available:** No

**Co-Op:** Yes

**Tuition Fees:**

- Ducks Class - 2 y.o: \$3,050/yr or 10 installments of \$305
- Frogs Class - 3 y.o: \$4,030/yr or 10 installments of \$403
- 4-Day Bees - 4 y.o: \$4,840/yr or 10 installments of \$484
- 1. 5-Day Bees - 4 y.o: \$5,530/yr or 10 installments of \$553

**Open House This Year:** No

**Registration:** Rolling registration - first come, first serve

**School Philosophy:** Founded over 60 years ago, Valley Drive is a parent-run cooperative preschool with a strong community, dedicated teachers, and an expansive outdoor space. Our philosophy is child-centered, and we offer low student-teacher ratios in each of our 2-, 3-, and 4-year-old classes. In addition to a play-based curriculum, we also have music, movement, science, and discovery. This past year we made a shift to a primarily outdoor school, and it has been so successful that we plan to continue this model moving forward!

**Special Needs:** We work with both ACPS and APS child find.

**Other Information:** For more information, please visit [www.valleydrive.com](http://www.valleydrive.com) and please email [membership@valleydrive.com](mailto:membership@valleydrive.com) to schedule a tour!



## Washington Street United Methodist Church Preschool

Website: <https://wsumc.com/preschool/>

Address: 109 South Washington Street, Alexandria, VA 22314

Director: Laura Miles

Phone Number: (703) 549-7931

Email Address: [preschool@wsumc.com](mailto:preschool@wsumc.com)

Age Range of Students: 2.5 - 5 years

School Hours: 9 am - 12:20 pm

Extended Care Available: No

Hours of Extended Care: Lunch Bunch for pre-K class twice a week, 12:30 pm - 2 pm

Co-Op: No

Tuition Fees:

- 2-Day Class (2 1/2 - 3 years) \$350/month
- 3-day Class (3 - 3 yrs, 9 months) \$440/month
- 5-day Class (4 - 5 yrs) \$600/month
- Supply fees vary per class: \$200-\$300/year

Open House This Year: No

Registration: Registration for new families begins in January 2022

**School Philosophy:** Washington Street UMC Preschool's educational program reflects our philosophy of learning through play by using the Creative Curriculum Goals & Objectives as the framework for our approach to teaching young children. Learning through play, especially through dramatic play, is encouraged as children develop higher-level thinking, strengthen language and social skills, cultivate empathy, and make sense of their world.

**Special Needs:** Washington Street UMC Preschool is committed to meeting the needs of each enrolled child, and as such welcomes applications of children with special needs such as children with minor disabilities/developmental delays, and minor medical conditions. To discern whether WSUMCP might be an appropriate placement for your child with special needs, please schedule a meeting with the Director to discuss your specific situation when applying for enrollment. Enrollment of children with medical or special needs will be considered on a case-by-case basis to ensure proper placement, before admission to WSUMCP. In order to provide the best-possible preschool experience for each student, accommodations for children with special needs will be made in consultation with the family and any appropriate medical and/or educational intervention personnel working with the child.

**Additional Notes:** Washington Street UMC Preschool offers enrichment programs in science and music to supplement our curriculum.



## Westminster Weekday Preschool

Website: <https://wpc-alex.org/preschool-2021/>

Address: 2701 Cameron Mills Road, Alexandria, VA 22302

Director: Carolyn Burke

Phone Number: (703) 549-5267

Email Address: [preschooldirector@wpc-alex.org](mailto:preschooldirector@wpc-alex.org)

Age Range of Students: 2½ - 5 years

School Hours: 9 am - 12 pm

Extended Care Available: No

Co-Op: No

Tuition Fees: Paid in full or in 10 monthly payments

- 2½s - \$3,450
- 3s - \$4,400
- 4-day 4s - \$5,250
- 5-day 4s - \$6,100

Open House This Year: No

Open House Dates/Times: We offer after-school tours.

Registration: February 14 - February 25, 2022

**School Philosophy:** Westminster Weekday Preschool's program is a developmental program that encourages each child to grow socially, emotionally, physically, and cognitively at his or her own pace. Our curriculum is based on an understanding of how children grow and develop, and how they learn and attempt to make sense of the world around them. Our belief is that children acquire this knowledge about their physical and social worlds through play and interaction with other children, adults, and objects.

**Special Needs:** Yes

**Other Information:** Westminster Weekday Preschool (WWP) accepts children of all racial, ethnic, and religious backgrounds, including children with special needs. As an integral part of the educational ministry and community outreach of Westminster Presbyterian Church, the preschool celebrates traditional Christian holidays while it also welcomes the opportunity to learn about other traditions and holiday celebrations. The preschool strives to provide a rich variety of experiences for our students. By sharing customs and ideas, traditions and meanings, we promote understanding and acceptance of each other.

The preschool emphasizes the importance and uniqueness of each child, and provides an environment in which each child is accepted, nurtured, and encouraged to grow to full potential. The preschool's goals are to establish a model educational program for the children who attend, to emphasize a developmental approach to early childhood education, and to meet the needs of a socially, racially, and economically integrated group of children and parents.

