



2021– 2022 PRESCHOOL PROGRAM INFORMATION

Thank you for choosing PlayGarden Preschool! At the PlayGarden we play outside, celebrate the seasons, make friends, grow our own food, include everyone, and have lots of fun!

Our curriculum is based on the Growing Up WILD curriculum from the Council for Environmental Education. This program taps the child's natural curiosity and sense of wonder to encourage exploration of the natural world. Through a wide range of nature-based activities, PlayGarden preschool provides:

- positive impressions about the natural world
- confidence-building social skills activities
- solid academic foundation

Our Preschool Program is offered Monday through Friday, with multiple enrollment options available. You may enroll your child for 2-5 days/week. Please see the program summary below and indicate your enrollment preference by circling your preferred option(s). You may indicate a 1st choice and 2nd choice. Your child must be between the ages of 3 and 5 years to enroll.

Option	Days/Hours	Tuition per School Year
2-Day	Families may request which days of the week. 9:00 am to 1:00 pm (8 hrs./week)	\$5,200 (*10 payments of \$520/month)
3-Day	Families may request which days of the week. 9:00 am to 1:00 pm (12 hrs./week)	\$7,800 (*10 payments of \$780/month)
4-Day	Families may request which days of the week. 9:00 am to 1:00 pm (16 hrs./week)	\$10,400 (*10 payments of \$1040/month)
5-Day	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 9:00 am to 1:00pm (20 hrs./week)	\$13,000 (*10 payments of \$1,300/month)

PLAYGARDEN PARENTS

When your child attends the PlayGarden Preschool, you become part of an active community of families that participate in educating and caring for our kids, in and out of the classroom. We are so grateful for your involvement; we can't do all we do without your help! Our parent community gives time, talent, and financial resources to help support the PlayGarden and its mission of inclusion. PlayGarden parents jump in and help us by volunteering their time and talents in the classroom, by participating in PlayGarden community events and meetings, advocating on behalf of the PlayGarden, and contributing to our fundraising efforts.

SCHOOL DAYS AND HOLIDAYS

We follow the Seattle Public Schools Holiday calendar. The 2021-2022 Seattle Public Schools Calendar is released in the Spring of 2021. We will publish our Holiday calendar following the District's release.

APPLICATION PROCESS

For families who are new to PlayGarden Preschool, follow the application steps below:

- 1) Print out this Program Information Page and indicate your Preschool Program choice(s).
- 2) Complete the attached Participant Information Form for your preschool-aged child.
- 3) Return the Program Information Page and Participant Information Form to:

Seattle Children's PlayGarden
1745 – 24th Avenue South
Seattle, WA 98144

Or via email to:

emma@childrensplaygarden.org

- 4) When we receive your application, you will be sent a confirmation email.
- 5) If enrolled, you will receive a Welcome Packet with a Welcome Letter from the Preschool Staff and Tuition Schedule in the Spring of 2021.

TUITION AND CANCELLATION POLICY

The PlayGarden's tuition is based on a commitment of one full school year, from September to June. For your convenience, tuition payments are divided into 10 equal

installments, payable monthly. Students are considered enrolled for the entire school year and budgets and staffing are set accordingly. Early withdrawal creates an opening, which The PlayGarden may not be able to fill. If a family must cancel enrollment, or reduce the number of days enrolled, after the start of the school year, they are still responsible for monthly tuition until The PlayGarden is able to fill the vacancy with another student. We will make every attempt to fill vacancies promptly, to minimize any financial hardship on our families.

SCHOLARSHIP REQUESTS

You may apply for a partial or full scholarship by submitting a letter of request along with your application forms. In the letter, please describe your financial need, including any anticipated changes in financial circumstances, and any other related information you'd like to share.

TOURS AND QUESTIONS

If you have any questions about our Preschool Program or Application Process, or if you are interested in scheduling a tour, contact the PlayGarden Office at (206) 325-5576 or info@childrensplaygarden.org.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT THE WAIT POOL

Q. What does it mean to be in the wait pool?

A. We sometimes have more applicants than spaces available. When that happens, some of our applicants are invited to the wait pool, pending more preschool spaces becoming available.

Q. Can I find out where my child is ranked in the wait pool?

A. No, the wait pool is actually a group of applicants who have continued interest in enrolling at the PlayGarden. It is not rank ordered.

Q. How do you determine which applicants to take from the wait pool?

A. When an opening occurs, the Admissions team looks at a variety of factors, including gender balance, age balance, and cultural and economic diversity. We then determine who might be the best fit given the current makeup of the class.

Q. Are students ever accepted from the wait pool?

A. Yes. It isn't unusual for changes to happen after the beginning of the school year. Families may relocate or decide to pursue other school options, creating an opening for a wait pool applicant to enroll.

Thank you for your interest in The PlayGarden Preschool!

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2021- 2022 Preschool Program Application

Child's Name: _____

Child's Birthdate: _____

Child's Gender: _____

Child's Ethnicity/Cultural Identity: (voluntary – data collected for reporting purposes only)

Primary language spoken at home: _____

Any other languages spoken at home: _____

Home Phone Number: _____

Home Address: _____

Parent Name/Caregiver #1 Daytime Phone Number:

Parent Name/Caregiver #1 Email Address:

Parent Name/Caregiver #1 Occupation and Employer:

Parent Name/Caregiver #2 Daytime Phone Number:

Parent Name/Caregiver #2 Email Address:

Parent Name/Caregiver #2 Occupation and Employer:

Other than you, who has permission to pick up your child?

Name	Relationship to Child	Phone

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR CHILD

We are very excited to participate in this experience with your child! We will strive to create a safe, supportive and fun experience for each and every child. Any information you provide to us will be used to enhance your child's participation in all of the program activities.

What are your child's favorite toys and activities?

Does your child have any dietary restrictions? If so, please describe.

Does your child have allergies? If so, please describe.

Does your child have any special equipment needs?

Does your child have any medical, learning, behavioral, or other special considerations/circumstances you'd like us to know about?

TIPS FOR PARENTS

PRESCHOOL WILL BE MESSY! Please dress your child accordingly.

PRESCHOOL WILL BE OUTDOORS. Please dress your child accordingly and apply sunscreen.

You may authorize us to apply/reapply sunscreen (please provide the sunscreen and instructions) by initialing here: _____

SIGNATURE OF PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN

DATE

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

Parent's/Caregiver's Name _____

Phone During Program _____

Parent's/Caregiver's Name _____

Phone During Program _____

Physician _____

Physician's Address _____

Physician's Phone _____

Allergies _____

Medications _____

Special Precautions _____

In the event of a medical emergency Seattle Children's PlayGarden will call for assistance or give any necessary treatment to your child. Every effort will be made to contact you should such an emergency arise. If there is a need and a choice, we will transport your child to the hospital you list below:

Hospital _____

If an emergency arises and we are unable to reach you directly, we require the names of 3 trusted individuals we could contact. Please list their names and contact information below:

Name	Relationship to Child	Phone
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

SIGNATURE OF PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN

DATE

AUDIO/VISUAL MEDIA RELEASE

PHOTOGRAPHS: I give my permission for photographs to be taken of my child for program uses and informing the community about Seattle Children's PlayGarden and its programs.

YES _____

NO _____

VIDEOTAPES: I give my permission for videotapes to be made of my child for program uses and to inform the community about Seattle Children's PlayGarden and its programs.

YES _____

NO _____

WEB SITE: I give permission to Seattle Children's PlayGarden to use media of my child on the Seattle Children's PlayGarden Web site: www.childrensplaygarden.org

YES _____

NO _____

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DATE

IMPORTANT:
Please complete all pages and return to the Seattle Children's PlayGarden.
Please include a photo of your child along with your paperwork.
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