

# **WALKER CHAPEL PRESCHOOL**

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## **What is the Walker Chapel Preschool Program?**

Walker Chapel Preschool is a non-profit preschool program. The program was founded by Walker Chapel in 1970 and continues to serve as an outreach program of the church under the auspices of the education committee. An Advisory Committee composed of parents, preschool staff and church members administers the program.

## **Walker Chapel Preschool Philosophy**

The preschool program fosters social, emotional, educational and physical development through both unstructured and organized play. The curriculum includes guest speakers (e.g., a policeman, a fireman), music, movement, science, French and other enrichment programs. Parents help run the program by getting involved in the Parents' Committee and various classroom opportunities.

## **About the Staff and the Parents Committee**

All of our teachers and assistants have extensive nursery school or other teaching experience and meet the requirements for certification by the State of Virginia and Arlington County as early childhood teachers. They are certified in basic first aid and CPR and are all experienced parents. In addition, the teachers at Walker Chapel all participate in frequent courses, workshops and conferences to keep current in their fields and upgrade their certifications.

A Parents' Committee organizes guest speakers, fund-raising events, and facilitates communication between staff, church and parents. Input from parents is an integral part of the committee process and helps the Committee set goals and develop programs for the preschool. Additionally, Committee meetings, surveys, and personal conversations serve as means for parents to express their opinions. All parents are encouraged to attend meetings and actively participate in the governing process.

## **Class and Facility Description**

Our facilities include large classrooms for the two, three, and four-year-old. A basement "Fellowship Hall" provides indoor play space and an area for tricycle riding. We also have an outside fenced playground.

The following table provides a description of each class, including the days of attendance, the adult/child ratio and age requirements. The two and three year old classes are held from 9:15 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. and the four year class is from 9:15 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Note: Our two-year-old class will be dismissed at noon from September to Halloween.

<u>Program</u>	<u>Days</u>	<u>Adult: Child Ratio</u>	<u>Age Requirements</u>
2 year old	Tues/Thurs	3:12	2 Years by Sept. 30
3 year old	Mon/Wed/Fri	2:12	3 Years by Sept. 30 must be toilet trained
4 year old	Mon - Friday	2:16	4 Years by Sept. 30

Twelve is optimum size for Twos and Threes. We reserve the right to go above this number in all classes to adjust the boy/girl ratio or to accommodate siblings.

### **Tuition and Registration**

Monthly tuition for each class is as follows:

Program:	<u>2-year-old</u>	<u>3-year-old</u>	<u>4-year -old</u>
Tuition:	\$310	\$350	\$785

Registration, if accepted, will be \$75 per child.

To apply, parents should obtain an application/wait list form and submit the completed form with a check payable to Walker Chapel Preschool with the **non-refundable** application fee of \$35. This form should be mailed to **Walker Chapel Preschool, 4102 N. Glebe Rd, Arlington, VA 22207.**

If accepted you must secure your child's place in the Walker Chapel program by paying the balance of the Registration Fee and a deposit of one month's tuition within 30 days of acceptance. The deposit will be applied to the June tuition.

For families enrolling more than one child, a ten- percent tuition discount is given on the tuition of the younger child.

If you need to withdraw your child from the program during the year, we require 30 days notice. The deposit will be refunded only if we can replace your child in the program. If your child leaves after March 1, the deposit will not be refunded because it is extremely difficult to replace a student in the last months of the school year. You are also responsible for tuition during extended absences from school.

### **Class Calendar**

Classes run from September through June. We follow the Arlington County school calendars as a guide; however, we may deviate from the calendar on some school holidays.

### **For More Information**

For more information on the Walker Chapel Preschool program, please contact Pat McGeehan, Director, at (703) 538-2170 or via email at [wcpreschool@comcast.net](mailto:wcpreschool@comcast.net).