2024 – 2025 Student Registration





ABOUT OUR SCHOOL

Purpose

As a ministry of First Presbyterian Church of Fort Lauderdale, the purpose of our preschool is to provide a quality education with an emphasis on the values of kindness and empathy. Through creativity coupled with individualized and collaborative learning, Happyland provides a nurturing environment with programs that promote emotional and social development as well as problem-solving and critical thinking skills.

The school is governed by the Happyland Board of Directors and is responsible to the Session of the First Presbyterian Church of Fort Lauderdale.

Licensure

Happyland is licensed by the Florida Department of Children & Families and the Board of County Commissioners of Broward County and is an 8-time recipient of their Gold Seal Award.

Happyland Day School boasts a community tradition of over seventy years of excellence in early childhood education and childcare programs.

Programs

Happyland encompasses programs for children ages 22 months through Kindergarten.

PLEASE NOTE: Children must have reached the appropriate age by September 1st of the year of enrollment. If you intend to enroll your child in a program where they do not meet the age requirements, written approval must be obtained by the Principal of Happyland Day School.

PK-2: Our PK-2 program introduces students to the classroom experience by combining age-appropriate learning with social interaction and imaginative play. Weekly thematic units offer an introduction to letters, numbers, shapes, and basic math/language concepts. Purposeful play-based activities are incorporated to foster the development of fine and gross motor skills as well as creative thinking. Students must be two years of age by September 1, 2024. (Students entering the Tuesday/Thursday program must be 22 months by September 1, 2024.)

PK-3: Our PK-3 program has a curriculum that is designed to encourage social and emotional development while learning the skills necessary to successfully move into Prekindergarten. Our program enhances existing language skills through phonemic awareness, teaches math concepts such as patterning and sorting, and develops early writing and fine motor skills through the Handwriting without Tears program. Students must be three years of age by September 1, 2024. **Students entering our PK-3 program must be potty-trained.**

PK-4: Our PK-4 program provides a structured and creative environment for further development of math, reading, and language skills. The program incorporates a strong phonics foundation, an introduction to writing utilizing the Handwriting without Tears curriculum, and a hands-on math program using the Building Blocks curriculum which includes Smartboard technology. **Happyland Day School participates in the State of Florida's VPK Program.** Qualifying students can earn up to \$2,000 in annual tuition credit for meeting program requirements. For more information, visit http://www.floridaearlylearning.com/vpk. Students must be four years of age by September 1, 2024.

KINDERGARTEN: Our Kindergarten curriculum encourages independent thinking while continuing to develop strong reading and math skills. Children continue to build phonics skills to ensure a solid foundation for reading success. Teaching methods are differentiated to meet the needs of all learners and include hands-on centers, teacher-led instruction, and self-directed learning. Students must be five years of age by September 1, 2024.

Extracurricular Programs: Science, Music, and Physical Education are incorporated each week by teachers with special training in each subject area. These programs add excitement to the day and encourage the development of a well-balanced child.

Extended Day Program: Happyland offers an extension to the day in the morning and afternoon for an additional fee. Programs are available from 7:30 AM-5:30 PM.

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TUITION & FEES

Program	Registration Fee	Supply Fee	Security Fee	Annual Tuition	Single Payment	Monthly Payments	
Due Date	At ti	At time of enrollment			June 1, 2024	June 1, 2024 & September - May	
PK-2 & PK-3							
9:00 - 1:00							
2 DAY (T/TH)	\$150	\$200	\$240	\$4,990	\$4,840	\$499	
3 DAY (MWF)	\$150	\$250	\$360	\$6,900	\$6,690	\$690	
5 DAY (M-F)	\$150	\$350	\$600	\$9,100	\$8,825	\$910	
PK-4 & KINDERGARTEN							
8:40 - 1:40							
5 DAY (M-F)	\$150	\$375	\$600	\$9,500	\$9,215	\$950	

^{*}Siblings receive a 5% tuition discount.

EXTENDED DAY RATES

Program	Time	Annual Rate	Monthly Payments					
PK-2 & PK-3								
EARLY BIRD	7:30 Drop-Off	\$1,350	\$135					
STAY & PLAY *Siblings of PK-4/K students	1:00 - 1:40	\$1,000	\$100					
EXTENDED AFTERNOON	1:00 - 3:30	\$2,500	\$250					
EXTENDED DAY	1:00 - 5:30	\$3,610	\$361					
PK-4 & KINDERGARTEN								
EARLY BIRD	7:30 Drop-Off	\$1,350	\$135					
EXTENDED AFTERNOON	1:40 - 3:30	\$2,500	\$250					
EXTENDED DAY	1:40 - 5:30	\$3,300	\$330					

^{*}Only students registered until 5:30 are permitted to attend Holiday Child Care over Christmas and Spring Break.

^{*}Active & contributing members of First Presbyterian Church of Fort Lauderdale receive a 10% tuition discount.