



Welcome to Tilden Community Preschool!



Hello Preschool Families!

We are looking forward to working with you and your child in the upcoming 2021-22 school year! **Please read the following important information regarding the school year.**

- ✓ **Forms/Immunizations must be turned in PRIOR to the start of school.** State mandate requires immunization forms to be complete and turned in before your child starts school. They can be emailed, dropped off or mailed to 310 River St.
- ✓ **Authorized Pick-Up Permission Form** must be filled out or added to your account on the Hastings Community Education website. We will **NOT** send your child with someone who is not on this list unless permission is communicated with us prior to the pick-up. This can be done through an email, phone call or note.
- ✓ **Our daily classroom schedule** will include large group activities with stories, games, table work, art activities, music and movement, and a free choice time when children can play and learn with blocks, cars, kitchen area, dress-up clothes, playdoh, sensory table, writing center, books, puzzles etc. Active play is in the gym or outdoors.
- ✓ **Sections 1 through 9 have snack time every day.** Be sure snacks are nut-free and in their original packaging. Teachers will be communicating their plans with you regarding snacks for the school year.
- ✓ **Please notify** your child's teacher if your child will be absent from school.
- ✓ **Please do not send your child to school** if a fever is present or your child has vomited within 24 hours of coming to school. If they are on medication for an infection or illness, please check with your doctor about when it is safe to bring them near other children.
- ✓ **If your child becomes sick at school, you or your emergency contact will be notified immediately to pick-up your child.** Be sure that the person you list as an emergency contact is someone who can actually come to school if you are unable to do so.
- ✓ **Parent involvement** is a key factor in your child's education now and in years to come! You will be encouraged and welcomed into your child's classroom through a variety of opportunities. Please consider becoming a member of the Early Learning Advisory Board (ELAC)!
- ✓ **Family events and classroom visits/volunteering** will be held throughout the year. More information will be available during the year from your child's teacher.

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- ✓ **Parent Teacher Conferences** will be held twice during the year. Please see the school calendar for specific dates.
- ✓ **Tuition Assistance** is available to all families who qualify. If this is a need, please request a fee assistance form from Angie McGinnis by email or phone.
- ✓ **Tuition Payments –Due the 1st of each month September-May**
Three ways to complete your payment:
 1. MasterCard and Visa card payments can be accepted by phone at 651-480-7670
 2. Online at www.hastingscommunityed.com
 3. Make payments in the office or mail them to Tilden Community Center
 4. Please read our Early Childhood Handbook for specific information regarding late payments.
- ✓ **Transportation** is being offered for all morning classes at an additional cost, please contact Angie McGinnis for more information.
- ✓ **School Supplies:** A backpack, 1 wide-lined notebook, 1 folder, and 1 container of disinfective wipes. Please put your child's name on these items.
- ✓ **Be sure your child has been to the bathroom** before they start class.
- ✓ **Label items** with your child's name on it, such as jackets, hats, mittens boots, etc. to help at dismissal and to avoid lost items.
- ✓ **School closings** are announced on Hastings Public School website, KDWA radio (1460 AM). *When the school district cancels classes due to weather, our classes are canceled as well.*
- ✓ **Please reference the Early Childhood Handbook** for more detailed information on program policies and procedures located on our website.
- ✓ **If you have general programing needs or questions,** you can reach your child's teacher by calling 480-7670 or by email. You can also contact Angie McGinnis at 651-480-7678 or amcginnis@hastings.k12.mn.us .

Our program provides learning experiences that foster growth in all areas of development including; cognitive, social/emotional, speech/language, fine and gross motor. We value development of the whole child!

On behalf of the entire staff at Tilden Community Preschool, welcome to the 2021-22 school year! We look forward to partnering with you in your child's education.

Sincerely,

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