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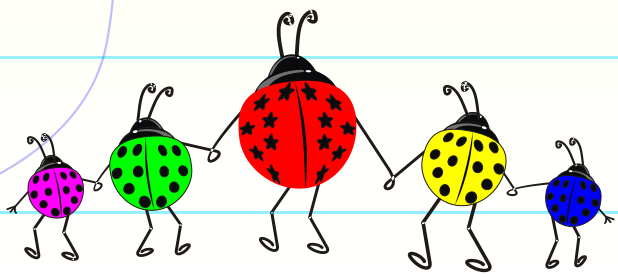

Choosing a Preschool Program...

Choosing a preschool program that is right for your child is an important decision. We urge you to visit several facilities to inspect and interview the preschool director and/or teachers.

This checklist is designed to help you in selecting a preschool program for your child. When selecting an appropriate preschool program, look at your needs and the needs of your child.

QUESTIONS TO ASK THE PRESCHOOL DIRECTOR...

- Are policies and procedures clear and communicated to parents?
- What is the child/staff ratio?
- How long has the preschool been in operation?
- What is the philosophy of the preschool program?
- Are the hours flexible?
- Is there a penalty or fee for picking up my child late?
- What would a typical day be like for my child?
- Is the preschool closed any certain days? (holidays, vacations, etc?)
- How many other children are enrolled?
- Can I drop in and visit unannounced?
- Do the children understand the routine and rules?
- Do the children initiate interactions with the teachers?
- Does the environment fit your child's personality?
- Are there regularly scheduled parent-teacher conferences?

RESOURCES FOR PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS

- Child-sized furniture is available for younger children
- Enough space is available for play time
- Safe outdoor play area is accessible
- Variety of materials/play activities are available for every age group
- Offers multicultural books and activities for learning
- Teachers keep parents informed of activities and child's participation
- Teachers communicate with the parents about any accidents or illnesses
- Teachers spend time with the children and talk to them
- Staff members handle behavior problems appropriately
- Staff know CPR and First Aid
- The other children seem happy and get along with the teachers
- Activities help children explore and understand language
- Children's creativity is encouraged
- Self-help skills are emphasized
- Teachers follow through with rewards and punishments
- Teachers praise children; do not criticize or humiliate
- Teachers have received adequate education and in-service training

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Building Blocks Childcare and Learning Center

1714 Frontier St.

Brandon, SD 57005

Phone: 605-582-5437

Contact: Beth Hanna

Ages Served: 4 weeks to 13 years

Days and Hours of Preschool Program: We run all day every day preschool (with extended care hours) Monday - Friday.

Fees: Varies by days and ages.
Please see website: www.buildingblocksbrandon.com

Educational Background and Experience of Preschool Director and Preschool Staff:
Our Preschool Director has an Elementary Education Degree from USD in 1998. She has 25 years in child care settings from assistant teacher to now owner/director. Our center has certified teachers in all classrooms.

Philosophy and/or Goals of the Preschool Program: Our goal is to fully educate each and every child in a safe, loving, nurturing environment so that they are socially and intellectually ready to begin school.

Additional Information: We offer many extras to parents as we have three 65 passenger busses that we use for transporting to and from school, swim lessons and tons of field trips.

References available upon request.

Central Baptist Preschool & Kindergarten

3100 W. Ralph Rogers Rd.

Sioux Falls, SD 57108

Phone: 336-2303

Contact: Melissa Ludens

Ages Served: 2 years 6 months - 6 year olds

Days and Hours Available: Monday-Friday (9-month school calendar; 7:30 am-5:30 pm)

2, 3, 4 or 5 half days/week:	9:00 AM - 11:30 AM or 1:00 PM - 3:30 PM
Morning Kindergarten:	M - F, 8:30 AM - 11:30 PM
Afternoon Kindergarten:	M and W, 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM
Extended Care	7:30 AM - 9:00 AM and 11:30 AM - 5:30 PM

Fees: Please visit our website www.cbcschool.org for more information.

Educational Background and Experience of Preschool Director and Preschool Staff:
The preschool director has an Elementary Education Degree with a Special Education Minor. She taught 1st grade for 8 years in a public school and has been the director for Central Baptist for 10 years. Head teachers all have 4-year degrees and assistant teachers have at least a high school diploma.

Philosophy and/or Goals of the Preschool Program: We believe preschool education should be age-appropriate and based on solid child development principals. It should address the child's development in the following areas: social, emotional, physical, cognitive, and spiritual. We believe play should be the medium for a preschooler's learning. Teacher/child ratios are set low so teachers have the opportunity to observe, play, clarify or correct misconceptions.

Additional Information: Activities include outdoor play, gym, and fenced in yard.

References available on request.

Christ the King Preschool

1801 S. Lake Ave.

Sioux Falls, SD 57105

Phone: 338-5103

Contact: Julie Kolbeck, Principal; Mary Markstorm, Secretary

Ages Served: 3 - 5-year-olds

Days and Hours Available: Call to check availability.

3 & 4 year olds	T/TH	8:00 AM - 11:00 AM
4 & 5 year olds	M/W/F	8:00 AM - 11:00 AM
5 year olds	M-F	12:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Fees: Call for Annual Tuition Rates which are broken to the number of half days a child attends. $50.00 registration fee. Payment plans available. This program is affiliated with the Sioux Falls Catholic Schools and follows the Sioux Falls Catholic Schools school year calendar.

Educational Background and Experience of Preschool Director and Preschool Staff:
The preschool teacher has an Associate's Degree in Early Childhood Education. She has been the head teacher for the past 14 years and was assistant teacher for 2 years prior to that.

Philosophy and/or Goals of the Preschool Program: All SFCS Preschool Programs feature developmentally appropriate instruction in a Christ-centered program. Student growth is fostered in a creative, faith-filled and nurturing learning environment.

Additional Information: Our preschool program includes pre-readiness and readiness skills, fine and gross motor development and practice, language skill development, art, computers, music exploration, faith development and social interaction. Extended learning is optional.

Optional: Extended learning and after school care STRETCH Club options available. Extended Learning is an optional, enriched child care program that provides onsite care beyond preschool hours. It is offered Monday - Friday from 8 AM to 3 PM. Before school care is available starting at 6:30 AM Monday - Friday. After school care is also available until 6 PM Monday - Friday.

Christian Center Preschool

6300 W. 41st St.

Sioux Falls, SD 57106

Phone: 361-8002

Website: www.cceschool.org

Contact: Susan Even; susan.even@k12.sd.us

Ages Served: 3 - 5-year-olds by September 1st, and Potty Trained

Days and Hours Available with Tuition:

Beginner: 3 Years old	T/TH	8:45 - 11:15 AM	$124/month tuition
	M/W/F	8:45 - 11:15 AM	$160/month tuition
Pre-K - 4-5 years old	M/T/W/TH	12:30 - 3:00 PM	$220/month tuition
	M/W/F	8:45 - 11:15 AM	$160/month tuition
	M/W/F	12:30 - 3:00 PM	$160/month tuition
	T/TH	12:30 - 3:00 PM	$124/month tuition

Fees: Each class has a $100 registration/curriculum fee and if paid by January 30th, it will be discounted to $80. Registration starts January 1st for Fall Start.

Educational Background and Experience of Preschool Director and Preschool Staff:
Our principal has a masters and many years experience in the classroom. All of our teachers have an Elementary Education degree with Early Childhood Experience.

Philosophy and/or Goals of the Preschool Program: The Christian Center Preschool offers a creative and nurturing learning environment that welcomes family involvement. We incorporate learning concepts in a relaxed small group atmosphere using developmentally appropriate teaching strategies and practices with attention to the needs and differences of the individual children enrolled. We foster curiosity, independence and a love for learning. All our sections of preschool include: Bible time, music, gym time, field trips, crafts, computer, Christmas Program and a graduation ceremony. Parent-teacher Conferences keep parents informed of their child's progress. On-site Christian Center Daycare offers extended care for those who desire it. Facilities include a gymnasium and a fenced-in outdoor playground.

References available upon request.

EmBe PreSchools

EmBe has a successful history of providing preschool options that prepare children for kindergarten! EmBe uses a researched-based curriculum supplemented with science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) activities daily. The program is provided from 6AM-6PM Monday through Friday. Fee is $154.00/week; sliding fee for families who qualify.

EmBe KinderCollege and Jr. KinderCollege

3510 W. Ralph Rodgers Road, Sioux Falls, SD 57108

Phone: 362-9438

Contact: LaToria Horan

Ages Served: 3 - 5-year-olds

Days and Hours Available: Monday thru Friday 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM

Fees: $180.00/week

Educational Background and Experience of Preschool Director and Preschool Staff: The KinderCollege director has an associates degree, CDA and OST Certificate with over 20 years experience in tutoring and childcare. The Jr. KinderCollege Teacher is a certified elementary education teacher with over 20 years experience in early childhood. KinderCollege program assistants have elementary education degrees with five years experience in childcare.

Philosophy and/or Goals of the Preschool Program: KinderCollege is an all-day, every day EmBe preschool program, that started in 2009. KinderCollege gives every child an opportunity to discover their potential. Our custom created, literature based curriculum focuses on individual learning and incorporates life-skill development. Using concepts first presented by Howard Garner, a Harvard Professor of Developmental Psychology, children have an opportunity to explore their world using their Multiple Intelligences. These seven intelligences teach children how to recognize their own strengths: bodily/kinesthetic, interpersonal, linguistic, logical/mathematical and musical.

<u>There are two class options for KinderCollege enrollment:</u>

KinderCollege: This class is for children who are one year from Kindergarten. Each class and learning activity centers around a story.

Class Limit: 40 Students

Jr. KinderCollege: This class is for children who are at least three years old. In this program, children are engaged in a valuable play-based learning environment guided by a certified teacher, Instruction Is inquiry based, meaning children discover answers to their questions with guidance by the teacher. Class limit: 15 Students.

EmBe Spanish Immersion PreSchool

300 W. 11th St.

Sioux Falls, SD 57104

605-336-3360

Contact: Lisa Klein

Ages Served: 3 - 5-year-olds

Days and Hours Available:

Fees:

Full Time: $180 /week
(Fee includes daily breakfast, lunch, afternoon snack and extended care hours.

Spanish Immersion Half Day: $100/week
(Fee includes breakfast, lunch and snack depending on schedule)

Educational Background and Experience of Preschool Director and Preschool Staff:
The Spanish Immersion Pre-School Director is a native of Columbia. The Director has a degree in Psychology Studies and Children's Interactive Behavior.

Additional Information: The EmBe program is designed with two teachers where half of the child's day is in full Spanish immersion with one teacher, and the other half is in English with another teacher. This will ensure that children not only excel in Spanish language development, but also continue to grow and develop their English language. The two teachers will work together to create a seamless learning environment for each child.

References are available upon request.

First Baptist Preschool

1401 South Covell Ave.

Sioux Falls, SD 57105

Phone: 336-0966

Contact: Cathy Menke

Ages Served: 3 - 5 year olds, as of September 1st of each year.

Days and Hours Available with Fees:

3-year-old classes: 3 Days Per Week (T|W|Th)	9:00 AM - 11:30 AM **or** 1:00 PM - 3:30 PM	$140/month
4-year-old classes: 3 Days Per Week (M-Th)	9:00 AM - 11:30 AM or 1:00 PM - 3:30 PM	$170/month
Pre-Kindergarten 5 Days Per Week	9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	$215/month

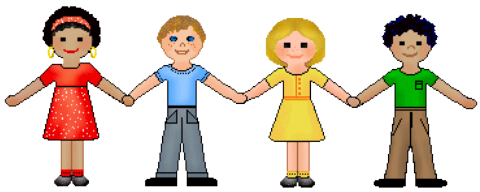
Educational Background and Experience of Preschool Director and Preschool Staff:
The preschool director has a BS in Elementary Education with an emphasis in Early Childhood. The Director has 22 years employment at First Baptist. The Preschool staff members have college degrees in Education or related fields. Together they have many ears of experience in early childhood education.

Philosophy and/or Goals of the Preschool Program: The Children's Center is an outreach ministry of First Baptist Church that exists to provide quality education along with enrichment activities for children. The Center provides a safe, stimulating and caring environment in which children may develop their God-given gifts and talents.

Additional Information: Parents are required to volunteer in the classroom a few times each semester. We offer before and after care for preschoolers at an additional cost. Children must be potty-trained.

References available upon request.

Good News Children's Center



1800 S. Valley View Rd.

Sioux Falls, SD 57106

Phone: 362-6360 extension 8

www.hisgoodnews.com/gncc

Contact: Tammy Westergaard

Ages Served: 3 to 6-years-old

Days and Hours Available with Fees:

Preschool w/Daycare	M-F	6:30 AM—6:00 PM	$150/week
	4 Days	6:30 AM—6:00 PM	$135/week
	3 Days	6:30 AM—6:00 PM	$110/week

Children are divided by age group into our 3-year-old, 4-year-old, and Pre-K classrooms.

Educational Background and Experience of Preschool Director and Preschool Staff:
The Director has a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education with Early Childhood and Reading Endorsements with 3 years of classroom experience and 13 years of management experience. Our classroom teachers come to Good News with early childhood experience as well as varying advanced degrees. Our current staff degrees include: Sociology, Elementary Education and Missions and Intercultural Studies.

Additional Information: We are committed to providing biblically based age-appropriate experiences in a small group setting allowing each child to progress in these areas at his/her own level of ability while enjoying success. This is primarily done through hands on activities in learning centers and Christ-like role modeling of the staff.

Our Preschool Curriculum is based on the South Dakota Early Learning Guidelines.

References available upon request.

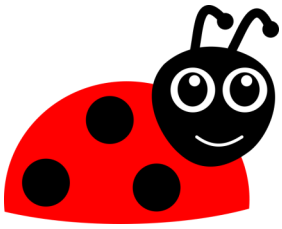
Holy Cross Lutheran Preschool & Extended Care

1300 S Sertoma Ave

Sioux Falls, SD 57106

Phone: 951-1813

www.holycrosslutheranchurch.org



Contact: Tricia Murphy, Triciam@holycrosslutheranchurch.org

Ages Served: 6 weeks - 5-year-olds. Class ages based on age by September 1st for Preschool.

Days and Hours Available with Fees:

0-36 weeks			
2-year-olds	F	9:00 AM - 11:30 AM	$45/month
3 - 4 year olds	M/W	9:00 AM - 11:30 AM	$95/month
3 - 4 year olds	T/TH	9:00 AM - 11:30 AM	$95/month
4 - 5 year olds	T/H	8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	$120/month
4 - 5 year olds	M/W/F	9:00 AM - 11:30 AM	$130/month
Pre-K (4 year olds)	M/T/W/TH	1:00 PM - 3:30 PM	$170/month
Pre-K (5 year olds)	M/T/W/TH	1:00 PM - 3:30 PM	$170/month

Educational Background and Experience of Preschool Director and Preschool Staff:
The Director has a BA Degree in Early Childhood, K-2nd Grade Teaching Certificate, Kindergarten Endorsement and Early Childhood Special Education Endorsement. Preschool teachers have their CDA (Child Development Associate Degree), BA Degree in Early Childhood and/or related education degrees. Assistant Teachers have related education and/or experience working in childcare or Preschool setting.

Philosophy and/or Goals of the Preschool Program: Holy Cross Lutheran Preschool is committed to providing the children of Holy Cross and the community with an educational, Christian-based preschool program. Holy Cross Lutheran Preschool believes each child is a precious gift from God, molded into the unique individual that he/she is. We offer children an equal opportunity to develop life-long skills through the Word of God by developmentally appropriate activities in the classroom environment. Children are actively involved in their learning process through structured play, interaction with others and various teaching approaches with the opportunity to make individual choices. Together with families, we provide a strong foundation for your preschooler's further faith and education.

We also provide an extended-care program allowing childcare before and after preschool along with a small group of infants / toddlers in extended-care. Summer camps are available for children who will be
3 by Sept. 1st through children who have completed kindergarten. Please call for extended-care and Summer Camp fees.

Holy Spirit School

Preschool, Kindergarten JumpStart & Extended Learning

4309 S. Bahnson Ave.

Sioux Falls, SD 57103

Phone: 605-371-1481

Contact Person: Regan Manning, Principal; Roxi Johnson, Secretary

Ages Served: 2 1/2 - 5-year-olds

Day and Hours Available:

Preschool:	M/W/F T/TH	7:45 AM - 10:45 PM or 11:45 PM - 2:45 PM 7:45 AM - 10:45 PM
Jumpstart:	M - F	11:45 AM - 2:45 PM
Extended Learning:	M - F	7:45 AM - 2:45 PM, 7:45 AM - 11:45 PM 11:45 AM - 2:45 PM
After School Care:	M - F	2:45 PM - 6:00 PM

Flexible Summer care is available between 7:00 AM and 6:00 PM. The summer program is available to all Catholic Families. Snacks and lunch provided.

Fees: Call for Annual Tuition Rates which are broken down to the number of half days a child attends. $50.00 registration fee. Payment plans available.

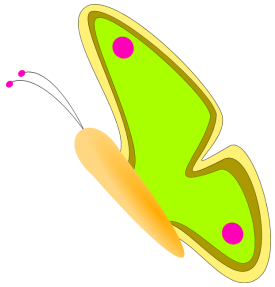
This program is affiliated with the Sioux Falls Catholic Schools.

Educational Background and Experience of Preschool Director and Preschool Staff:
All preschool teachers and the Director have Early Childhood Degrees. All staff are also certified. All preschool staff also have a college degree. The Director is a committee member for writing South Dakota Standards for Preschool.

Additional Information: The mission of our program is to form a community of faith and learning by promoting a Catholic way of life through Gospel values and academic excellence. Our philosophy is for the children to explore and experience learning in a fun and safe environment. We provide activities for children to develop physically, academically, and spiritually. We encourage parents to become involved in classroom activities and field trips.

References are available on request.

Hope Care Pre-K



1733 S. Sherman Ave.

Sioux Falls, SD 57105

Phone: 335-3873

Contact: Karli Narum

Ages Served: Children who are 4-5 years of age and plan to attend Kindergarten the following Fall.

Days and Hours Available: Monday - Friday 6:30 AM—6:00 PM

Fees: $145/week

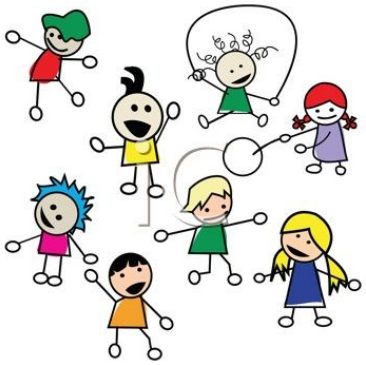
Educational Background and Experience of Preschool Director and Preschool Staff: The Director has a Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood Education. Other preschool staff hold college degrees and have teaching experience.

Philosophy and/or Goals of the Preschool Program: Our philosophy is to help each child develop the necessary skills to enter Kindergarten through a positive structure conducive to learning. We will teach children to be a good listener and communicator, be responsible, follow directions, master gross motor and fine motor skills and to have the confidence to enter Kindergarten. Parent/teacher Conferences are held twice in order to facilitate the best education for each child.

References available upon request.

Www.hopesiouxfalls.org (Hopecare link)

Hope Care



1700 S. Cliff Ave

Sioux Falls, SD 57105

Phone: 367-1108

Contact: Karli Narum

Ages Served: 3 to 5-years-old

Days and Hours Available: M-F 6:30 AM—6:00 PM

Fees: $140.00—145.00 Per Week

Educational Background and Experience of Preschool Director and Preschool Staff: The director holds a Bachelors Degree in Early Childhood Education. Other staff hold Child Development Associate's Degrees, Bachelors Degrees and come to our Preschool with experience in childcare.

Philosophy and/or Goals of the Preschool Program: Our goal is to provide a structure that allows children to grow academically, spiritually, emotionally and socially.

References available upon request.

www.hopesiouxfalls.org (Hopecare link)

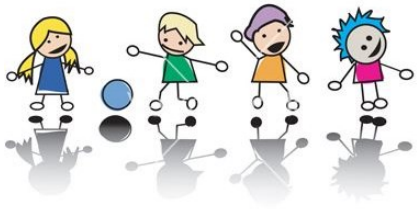
Learning Adventures Preschool

*Harvey Dunn Elementary 2400 S. Bahnson Ave

*John Harris Elementary 3501 E. 49th St.

*Sonja Sotomayor Elementary 1510 S. Lake Ave

*Discovery Elementary 1506 S. Discovery



To Register: Call 367-7999 or register on-line at www.commed.sf.k12.sd.us

Ages Served: 4 and 5-year-olds

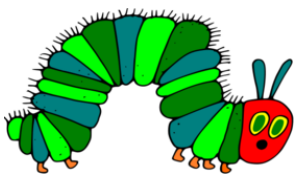
Days and Hours Available:

J,.Harris and Discovery	Mon-Thurs	8:15 AM-11:15 AM	$125/bi-weekly
H. Dunn	Mon-Thurs Mon-Thurs	8:15 AM-11:15 AM 12:00 PM- 3:00 PM	$125/bi-weekly
S. Sotomayor	Mon-Thurs Mon-Thurs	8:00 AM-11:00AM 11:45 AM-2:45 PM	$125/bi-weekly $125 bi-weekly

Educational Background and Experience of Preschool Director and Preschool Staff: The Learning Adventures Preschool is led by certified early childhood professionals and assistants, providing and instructor to student ratio of 1:8.5.

Philosophy and/or Goals of the Preschool Program: The Sioux Falls School District is committed to providing the highest quality education possible for your child. The Learning Adventures' educational philosophy encourages a learning environment that stimulates and nurtures children's growth and development. Our teachers provide lessons and activities that help develop the whole child – physically, emotionally, intellectually and socially as they move along the road to kindergarten. Understanding that each child is unique, our teaching philosophy incorporates structured activities and fosters self-discovery.

Additional Information: Activities include outdoor play, weekly library visits, and participation in elementary assemblies and programs. Field trips and guest presentations are scheduled to provide opportunities to explore the world. We offered 2 scheduled opportunities for parent-teacher conferences annually to discuss student progress.



Little Tykes University

720 S. Sycamore Ave

Sioux Falls, SD 57110

Phone: 906-0363; 521-7514

Contact: Corri Poore

Ages Served: 2 1/2 - 5-year-olds

Days and Hours Available:

All ages:	Mon-Fri	7:30 AM - 5:30 PM	$140.00/week

Educational Background and Experience of Preschool Director and Preschool Staff:
The Director has been working with birth to preschool aged children since 2000 in an in-home setting. Corri feels life experiences help children prepare for school. By developing a routine that includes practical and repetitious application of core concepts, such as mathematics, literacy, science, art, and guided discovery, each child can be prepared for a successful school career.

Additional Information: We have chosen to use Mother Goose Time's Comprehensive Preschool Curriculum. Mother Good Time is designed to support more observation time and encourage individualized interaction with your children. Materials and ideas are provided to inspire children through art. Each month of curriculum has a featured theme. Each theme creatively integrates colors, shapes, numbers, and letters of the month. Plus, each month features a different music genre and an exclusive music program.

We are also on Facebook!

References available upon request. Call today to schedule a tour!

Lutheran Social Services
Childcare & Education Services

3400 E. 49th St.

Sioux Falls, SD 57103

Phone: 371-8770

Contact: Cassie Anderson

Ages Served: 3 - 6-year-olds

Days and Hours Available with Fees:

Full time: Monday-Friday 7:00 AM—6:00 PM $156.00/week

Educational Background and Experience of Preschool Director and Preschool Staff:
All preschool teachers have a Bachelor's Degree in the education field and experience. They also undergo continual education. The Preschool Director has a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education, Kindergarten, Reading and Technology.

Additional Information: The Southern Hills Preschool offers a progressive curriculum that builds on strengths of students. The program provides a stimulating learning environment that will help prepare students for kindergarten and instill a love of learning.

We offer a unique program to parents using an online product called Teaching Strategies GOLD. GOLD is an assessment system that helps teachers be intentional in their teaching by accurately pinpointing where children are in their development and learning. 3 classrooms are available based on your child's age and developmental progress. Additional information can be found at:

www.lsssd.org/what-we-do/child-adolescent-services/childcare-education

References available upon request.

Next Generation Childcare, LLC

501 W. 4th St.

Dell Rapids, SD 57022

Phone: 605-428-4500

Contact: Tarah Burggraff

Ages Served: 3 - 6-year-olds

Days and Hours Available:

3-6 years	Mon-Fri	9:00 AM—11:30 AM	$40.00/week

Website: www.DellRapidsDaycare.com

Philosophy and/or Goals of the Preschool Program: During this time the children will learn about the weather, months, days of the week, colors, shapes, letters, numbers and more! Each day your child will do a craft pertaining to the letter of the week. Every Friday is show and tell, so bring your favorite toy to share with your friends. Circle time is done every morning as a group to promote interaction. Art, reading, social & emotional development are just a few of the areas we will work on everyday. Come out and experience a day in preschool with our wonderful teachers and eager learners! We also offer before and after school care, as well as care for children on no school days. We are only closed for major holidays. Fun summertime activities ensure that your child's summer break is always fun and a learning experience.

Peace Lutheran Preschool

5509 W. 41st Street

Sioux Falls, SD 57106

Phone: 361-3683 ext. 18

Contact: DeAnna Prince

Ages Served: 3- 5-year-olds

Days and Hours Available with Fees:

3-year-olds:	T/TH	9:00 AM - 11:30 AM	$90.00/month
4 & 5-year-olds:	M/W/F	9:00 AM - 11:30 AM or 12:30 PM - 3:00 PM	$12000/month
3, 4, & 5-year-olds:	T/TH	12:30 PM - 3:00 PM	$90.00/month

Fees: $50.00 registration fee

Educational Background and Experience of Preschool Director and Preschool Staff:
The Director has a Bachelor's Degree and 12+ years experience in education and working with children. One teacher has an Education degree and holds a SD teaching certificate. Staff have several years experience teaching preschool children. Teaching assistants are experienced in working with preschool children.

Philosophy and/or Goals of the Preschool Program: Children learn by doing hands on activities and through play. Through activities children explore, discover and experience their world. They learn readiness skills to prepare them for future learning. We also tell Bible stories. This preschool provides a positive and stimulating Christian environment that encourages growth in all areas of development: spiritual, social-emotional, physical and intellectual.

Additional Information: Peace Lutheran Preschool admits students of any race, color and national or ethnic origin.

References available upon request.

www.peacelutheran.com (see Peace Lutheran Preschool link)

Risen Savior Lutheran Preschool

27230 Canary Place

Tea, SD 57064

Phone: 498-5050

www.risensaviortea.org/preschool/

Contact: Holly Hank

Ages served: 3 - 5-year-olds

Days and Hours Available:

3 and 4-year-olds	T/TH	8:30 AM - 11:00 AM	$100/month
4 and 5-year-olds	M/W/F	8:15 AM - 11:30 AM	$130/month

Non-refundable preschool registration fee - $50

Educational Background and Experience of Preschool Director and Preschool Staff:
The Director has an Elementary Education and Early Childhood Diploma, is a mother, and has volunteered at Vacation Bible School and Sunday School. She also had a home daycare for 7 years. Other preschool staff includes a mother of four that has worked as a teachers aide for many years. She also taught Sunday School and Vacation Bible School.

Philosophy and/or Goals of the Preschool Program: The focus of our early childhood program is to create a caring environment which fosters faith formation and educational excellence. Here, children can develop to their fullest potential physically, emotionally, socially, intellectually and spiritually.

References available upon request.

St. Katharine Drexel Preschool

1800 S. Katie Ave. Suite 2

Sioux Falls, SD 57106

Phone: 275-6994

Contact: Stacy Charron, Principal; Mary Haiar, Secretary

Ages Served: 3 - 5-year-olds

Days and Hours Available:

3 & 4 year olds	Tu/Th	7:45 AM—10:45 AM
4 & 5 year olds	M/W/F	7:45 AM—10:45 AM
5 year olds	Mon– Fri	11:45 AM—2:45 PM

Fees: Call for Annual Tuition Rates which are broken down to the number of half days a child attends. $50.00 registration fee. Payment plans available. This program is affiliated with the Sioux Falls Catholic Schools.

Educational Background and Experience of Preschool Director and Preschool Staff: The preschool teacher has a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education, is working on her Master's Degree, and has 5 years experience. The majority of the other preschool staff have college degrees and all have experience in Early Childhood.

Philosophy and/or Goals of the Preschool Program: All SFCS preschool programs feature developmentally appropriate instruction in a Christ-centered program. Our dedicated teachers are fully certified and our student-teacher ratios are well within state guidelines. Student's growth is fostered in a creative, faith filled and nurturing learning environment.

Additional Information: The school was built in the Fall of 2008 to meet the growing needs of families on the West Side of Sioux Falls. Key components of the preschool curriculum include: pre-readiness/readiness skills, fine and gross motor skill development and practice and social interaction. There is an opportunity for outdoor play in a fenced in area. Extended Learning and STRETCH Club are offered till 6:00 PM for an additional fee. Classes start the middle of August. Sioux Falls Catholic Schools are accredited with the State of South Dakota.

Check out our website at www.sfcss.org/skd.

Please call with any questions or to schedule a tour!

Optional: Extended learning and after school care STRETCH Club options available. Extended Learning is an optional, enriched child care program that provides onsite care beyond preschool hours. It is offered Monday - Friday from 8 AM to 3 PM. Before school care is available starting at 6:30 AM Monday - Friday. After school care is also available until 6 PM Monday - Friday.

References available upon request.

St. Lambert Preschool

1000 S Bahnson Ave

Sioux Falls, SD 57103

Phone: 338-7042 or 575-3358

Contact: Colleen Davis, Principal; Carrie Munsch, School Secretary

Ages Served: 3 - 6-year-olds

Days and Hours Available with Fees:

3 & 4 year olds:	T/TH	8:00 AM - 11:00 AM	$980/year
4 & 5 year olds:	M/W/F	8:00 AM - 11:00 AM	$1340/year
5 year olds:	M - F	12:00 PM - 3:00 PM	$2220/year

Fees: Call for Annual Tuition Rates and Fees. $50.00 registration fee, Payment plans available

Extended learning and after school care STRETCH Club options available. Extended Learning is an optional, enriched child care program that provides onsite care beyond preschool hours. It is offered Monday - Friday from 8 AM to 3 PM. Before school care is available starting at 6:30 AM Monday - Friday. After school care is also available until 6 PM Monday - Friday.

This program is affiliated with the Sioux Falls Catholic Schools.

Educational Background and Experience of Preschool Director and Preschool Staff: Teachers have degrees in Elementary/Early Childhood Education and experience working with preschool age children. Teacher assistants have several years of experience in education.

Philosophy and/or Goals of the Preschool Program: Preschool is a time of significant growth and exploration. The curriculum that we utilize addresses these key areas: pre-readiness and readiness skills. We help students learn colors, shapes, counting, patterns, the alphabet and letter sounds, fine and gross motor skills, language skill development, art, technology, music exploration, and faith development. Students are nurtured and their growth is fostered in creative, faith-filled and positive learning environments. Community, faith and excellence are the cornerstones of our quality programs.

References are available on Request.

St. Mary Preschool

2001 S 5th Avenue

Sioux Falls, SD 57105

Phone: 334-9881

Contact: Courtney Tielke, Principal

Ages Served: 3 - 5-year-olds (four age specific classrooms)

Days and Hours Available:

Fees: Call for fees

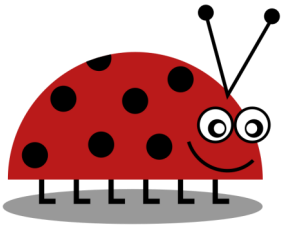
This program is affiliated with the Sioux Falls Catholic Schools.

Educational Background and Experience of Preschool Director and Preschool Staff:
Preschool is taught by certified and specialized instructors. Aides have extensive background and experience with Early Childhood Education.

Philosophy and/or Goals of the Preschool Program: Our philosophy is to form a community of faith and learning by promoting a Catholic way of life through Gospel values and academic excellence. Classrooms are an enriched environment that provides developmentally appropriate instruction in a Christ-centered program. We have formal phonics/language arts, fine/gross motor, math and science instruction plus social development activities and playtime.

Additional Information: We have a quality, dynamic and successful program.
Our community of learning is positive and nurturing.

References available upon request.



St. Michael Preschool

1610 S. Marion Rd.

Sioux Falls, SD 57106

Phone: 361-0021

Contact: Lisa Huemoeller, Principal; JaNalle Gowlovech, Secretary

Ages Served: 3 - 5-year-olds

Days and Hours Available:

3 year olds	T/TH	8:00 AM - 11:00 AM
4 year olds	M/W/F	8:00 AM - 11:00 AM or 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM
5 year olds	M - F	8:00 AM - 11:00 AM
3 - 5 year olds	M - F	7:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Fees: Call for annual tuition rates which are broken down to the number of 1/2 days a child attends. $50.00 registration fee. Payment plans available.

This program is affiliated with the Sioux Falls Catholic Schools.

Educational Background and Experience of Preschool Director and Preschool Staff:
The Head Preschool Teachers have Bachelor's Degrees in Early Childhood Education and Elementary Education in addition to many years of experience. The preschool staff have college degrees and/or multiple years of experience with early childhood development.

Philosophy and/or Goals of the Preschool Program: All SFCS Preschool Programs feature developmentally appropriate instruction in a Christ-centered program. Our dedicated teachers are fully certified and our student-teacher ratios are well within state guidelines. Student's growth is fostered in a creative, faith-filled, nurturing learning environment.

Additional Information: Key components of the preschool curriculum include: pre-readiness/ readiness skills, fine and gross motor skill development and practice, language skill development, art, computer/technology, music exploration, faith development, and social interaction.
Extended learning and STRETCH club are offered till 6:00 PM for an additional fee.
Our website is www.sfcss.org.

References Available Upon Request

Sioux Falls Christian Preschool

6120 S. Charger Ave.

Sioux Falls, SD 57108

Phone: 334-7397

Contact: Matt Covey, Principal; Michele Baker—Early Childhood Director

Ages Served: 3 - 6 year-olds

Days and Hours Available with Fees:

3 & 4 year olds	T/TH or W/F	8:30 AM - 11:00 AM or 12:30 PM - 3:00 PM	$112/month
4 & 5 year olds	M/W/F	8:30 AM - 11:00 AM or 12:30 PM - 3:00 PM	$157/month
4 & 5 year olds	M - TH	8:30 AM - 11:00 AM or 12:30 PM - 3:00 PM	$207/month
5 & 6 year olds	M - F	8:30 AM– 11:00 AM	$252/month
5 & 6 year olds	M - F	8:30 AM—3:00 PM	$495/month
***Spanish** **For enrolled**	M/W/TH	11:00 AM—11:45 AM	$175/month

Educational Background and Experience of Preschool Director and Preschool Staff:
Matt Covey, Elementary Principal at Sioux Falls Christian has a BA in Education from the University of Sioux Falls and a Master's Degree in Educational Leadership from the University of Sioux Falls. He has many years of teaching experience and has been principal since 2005.
All preschool teachers have Bachelor's Degrees/Master's Degrees in Education.
All preschool aides have many years of experience.

Michele Baker is the Early Childhood Director at Sioux Falls Christian. She has a BA in Early Childhood and Elementary Education from Augustana College and a Master's Degree in Curriculum & Instruction from SDSU. She has 19 years of experience teaching birth to 5th grade and became the Early Childhood Director in 2014.

Philosophy and/or Goals of the Preschool Program: Our mission is to provide quality Christian education for families who desire Christ-centered academic training for their child. With God's word as our foundation, we are committed to educational excellence. We will strive to develop each child's spiritual, social, emotional, physical, and cognitive potential in a loving community of Christian Faith. Our vision is that each child learn to live for Christ daily and experience the joy of lifelong service for Him.

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Sioux Falls Christian Preschool *continued...*

Extended Care – Extended Care is provided for families who need care beyond the pre-school and pre-kindergarten schedule. Sessions are available for all pre-kindergarten and pre-school students. Our extended care program offers the proper balance of play and appropriate academic activities within a given day. Our overall goal is to provide a safe place where your child will learn that the Bible is at the center of learning while learning the appropriate foundational skills required for kindergarten. Our curricular goals reflect those of Sioux Falls Christian pre-school and pre-kindergarten. Extended Care is fully accredited by the Department of Social Services.

Our extended care students have access to our hot lunch programs as well as the other amenities the school building offers such as the computer lab, various gymnasiums, art room and our before and after school program. Program policies are available upon request. One other note: while Kids Corner is available as needed, extended care sessions are signed up for the entire year – not on an as needed basis and is billed with your tuition.

Kids Corner – Available to all students in grades PK – 5th grade. Kids Corner provides care for students from 6:30 a.m. until 8:30 a.m., or 3:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. Parents can sign up for Kids Corner at the registration in July; there is no limit to the number of students that can come. Kids Corner is always adequately staffed at a ratio of 1:10 for children ages 3-6, and 1:15 for children over 6. Kids Corner statements are sent at the end of every month. It is also available on school vacation days, holidays, or summer vacation. Parents can sign up for Kids Corner before each school holiday or vacation day. Summer care registration happens in the spring. Kids Corner is billed at the end of the month during the school year. Payment is required weekly during the summer months.

Hours of Operation

6:30am-8:30am – **Kids Corner** before school care

8:30am-3:00pm - Preschool, Pre-Kindergarten or Extended Care

3:00pm-6:00pm – **Kids Corner** after school care

Visit our website at www.siouxfallschristian.org.

Sioux Falls Lutheran Preschool

308 W. 37th St.

Sioux Falls, SD 57105

Phone: 335-1923

www.siouxfallslutheran.com

Contact: Sandy Tams

Ages Served: 2 - 5-year-olds

Days and Hours Available:

3 year olds	T/TH	8:45 AM - 11:15 AM or 12:45 PM - 3:15 PM
4 year olds	M/W/F	8:45 AM - 11:15 AM or 12:45 PM - 3:15 PM
5 year olds	M-F	8:30 AM - 11:15 AM or 12:30 PM—3:15 PM

Preschool Central-308 W. 37th St.
Preschool enrichment - Wrap around care: 11:15 AM - 3:15 PM
Before/after school care: 6:45 AM - 8:30 AM and 3:15 PM - 6:00 PM

3 year olds	T/TH	8:45 AM - 11:15 AM
4 year olds	M/W/F	8:45 AM - 11:15 AM

Preschool East-2600 S. Sycamore Ave
Preschool enrichment - wrap around care: 11:15 AM - 3:15 PM
Before/after school care: 6:45 AM - 8:30 AM and 3:15 PM - 6:00 PM

Age		**Non-Association Member**
3 year olds		$120.67 per Month
4 year olds		$159.56 per Month
5 year olds		$225.67 per Month

Fees: Preschool Enrichment - $15.30 a day for 4 hours, Before/After School is $2.95/Hour

Educational Background and Experience of Preschool Director and Preschool Staff:
The Director is a certified teacher with an Early Childhood Endorsement, and Masters Degree in Administration. Mrs. Tams teaches 3 and 4 year old classes at the central location. She has teaching experience in Preschool and First Grade.

Additional Information: We teach academics the way young children learn; through hands-on, play based curriculum. We now have “wrap around” care. Children can stay all day on their preschool days or can come all day every day.

References are available upon request.

Tea Spouts Preschool

131 N. Poplar Avenue

Tea, SD 57064

Phone: 214-0913

Contact: Amanda Brinkman

Ages Served: 3 - 5-year-olds

Days and Hours Available:

3 - 4 year olds:	T/TH	8:30 AM - 11:00 AM	$95.00/month
4 - 5 year olds:	M/W/F	8:30 AM - 11:00 AM	$125.00/month
4 - 5 year olds:	M/T/W/TH	12:30 PM - 3:00 PM	$135.00/month

There is a $50 non-refundable registration fee per family.
After July 1st, $60 registration fee per family.

Educational Background and Experience of Preschool Director and Preschool Staff:
The Director and Lead Teacher has a Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood Education, a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education and a Master's degree. She is a certified teacher and has 13 years experience. She is also among the Nations Top 1% of Teachers. The teaching assistant holds a Child Development Associate's Degree and has 9 years of experience.

Additional Information: It is the position of the preschool that the children will be provided an education in an environment that fosters play as its basis. Activities will be developmentally appropriate and varied for all the children. All classes will focus on skills to be better prepared for Kindergarten. We have also integrated the Smart Board technology and iPads into our program.

If you would like more information about Tea Sprouts Preschool, check out Mrs. Brinkman's website: http://as021.k12.sd.us or email at http://teasproutspreschool.weebly.com, call 605-428-2700 option 5 or email at Amanda.Brinkman@k12.sd.us.

We are also on Facebook!

References available upon request.

Train Up a Child Preschool & Kindergarten

4100 S. Bahnson Ave.

Sioux Falls, SD 57103

Phone: 371-1876

www.knowingthesavior.org (school ministries link)

Contact: Carla Hoogendorn

Ages Served: 3 - 6-years-old

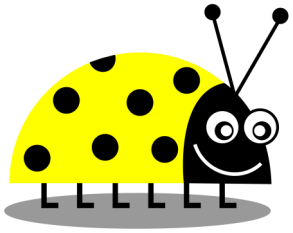
3 years old	T/TH	9:00 AM - 11:30 AM or 12:30 PM - 3:00 PM
4 & 5 years old	M/W/F	9:00 AM - 11:30 AM or 12:30 PM - 3:00 PM
Pre - K	M-F	12:30 PM - 3:00 PM
Kindergarten	M-F	8:00 AM - 11:30 AM

Fees: Call for rates

Educational Background and Experience of Preschool Director and Preschool Staff:
The director has a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education and 12 years experience working with children. Staff and all teachers hold current SD Teaching Certificates.

Additional Information: Our objective is to prepare children for learning in a safe, Christian environment. We share the message of salvation through Jesus Christ with children and teach them in a way that is consistent with God's word. We provide a caring environment and in us you will find a loving start to your child's educational experience.

References available upon request.



NOTES

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