

PHILOSOPHY:

At Mt. Nittany Preschool we recognize the joys and frustrations of raising young children.. We want to work with you to foster your child's development . The children learn to socialize with their peers, build self-esteem, work within the classroom limits, and form developmentally appropriate skills within our loving environment.

We use hands on learning when exploring our world through art, music, stories, experiments, cooking, field trips, and play. Discipline is always approached positively. If you ever have questions, we are here to help. We make you and your child's first school experience great!

WHAT MAKES US DIFFERENT?

♥ Licensed as a Private Academic School by the PA Department of Education and the PA Department of Welfare.

♥An optional summer program is available to enrich each child's experience.

♥ Certified, caring, friendly, and experienced staff create a safe, loving, and stimulating environment.

♥ Structured atmosphere compliments the motivating and developmentally appropriate curriculum to help each child learn and enjoy school.

♥ Flexible extended care before and after preschool programs for 2, 3, 4, and 5 year olds.

♥ A Keystone Stars sight

♥ Early literacy program

♥ Parents are welcome to visit and participate in activities, field trips, and stories.

♥ We approach every day situations from a Christian viewpoint by taking care of God's creation, showing love for one another, sharing with and respecting each other, thanking God for our blessings, etc.

♥ Conveniently located with excellent parking.

♥ We do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religious creed, ancestry, sex, disability, age or national origin.

♥ Preschool scholarships available.

♥ References available.

♥ We accept CCIS subsidized payments.



2-YEAR OLDS:

Two-year old children love to explore and experiment with things around them. Along with concentrating on developing coordination, speech, and knowledge; they are beginning to experiment in social skills with their peers. The program's structure and activities are designed to help these toddlers develop into the wonderful children they are. Class size: 12

Class meets: 2, 3, or 5 days a week

Staff: 1 teacher
1 assistant

Required age: 25 months by August 31



3-YEAR OLDS:

This class helps young children develop confidence away from home and learn to work and play within a group. Simple concepts are presented and supported with hands on activities. They learn to use their rapidly-growing bodies to acquire new skills such as pedaling, galloping, cutting with scissors, using small manipulatives, etc.

Class size: 14

Class meets: 2, 3, or 5 days a week

Staff: 1 certified teacher
1 assistant

Recommended age: 3 by August 31



♥*"We were thrilled about our Mt. Nittany Preschool experience. They have a caring and nurturing staff who is very attentive to the individual needs of the students. The curriculum is very developmental and diverse. We feel our child is well prepared for kindergarten."*

Greg and Michele Allen



PRE-KINDERGARTEN:

This class prepares children for a successful kindergarten experience by developing social, pre-reading, writing and problem-solving skills. Learning is approached through units, learning centers, small instructional groups and play so each individual develops to their potential. Sessions meet in the morning and afternoon. These can be combined to provide all day enrichment.

Class size: 17

Class meets: 2, 3, or 5 days a week

Staff: 1 certified teacher
1 assistant

Recommended age: 4 or 5 by Aug. 31



FLEXIBLE EXTENDED CARE:

Extended care is provided to enrich each child's preschool/kindergarten experience while parents are working. A variety of activities are scheduled throughout the day to keep the children interested and involved.

Hours: 7:30-9:00 am

12:00-4:00 pm

Fees: Charged hourly for service





♥*"Mt. Nittany Preschool is fantastic! Our daughter has been here from the three-year old program through kindergarten and we could not have asked for anything better. The teachers are all caring, loving and intelligent. The curriculum is age-appropriate, fun interesting and challenging! Our daughter was never bored and always wanted to come to school. We plan on having our son attend when he is old enough. I would recommend Mt. Nittany Preschool for every child!!"*

Melissa Wasson



Approximate Daily Schedule:

Class Schedule 9:00-12:00 or 12:30-3:00

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- A. Greet the children
 - B. Morning circle, calendar activities, take attendance, select helpers, and introduce the concepts for the day.
 - C. Center time
 1. Activities at the tables could include art, games, cooking, experiments, etc.
 2. Free-play in the room.
Children learn the most through their play.
 - D. Clean up and snack
Parents take turns supplying snacks for the class.
 - E. Stories, songs, finger-plays, drama
 - F. Inside or outside gross motor play
 - G. Review the day and prepare for dismissal
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Extended Care Schedule

7:30 -8:55 Greet the children. Free-play and group activities in the extended care room.

8:55-9:00 Children go to their classrooms.

Class Schedule 9:00-12:00 or 12:30-3:00



12:00-1:00 Lunch with free-play as they finish.

Parents provide packed lunches.

1:00-3:00 Rest time—We try to make it pleasant by playing quiet music, providing books, or allowing quiet toys for those who do not sleep.

3:00-3:40 Free-play in the room

3:40-4:00 Snack and group activities such as songs, games, and stories



DIRECTOR:


Bonnie Spotts began this school to provide a quality, child-centered environment for preschool children. She has a Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education and a minor in Early Childhood. Bonnie has over 29 years of experience teaching preschool and kindergarten to provide an outstanding curriculum for your child. In addition to her professional background, she is a mother of three children, giving her a more understanding perspective of a family's needs. Bonnie's first priority is to work with parents and staff to provide preschool children with a nurturing and fun educational beginning.

SPECIAL THANKS:



♥“The parents of Mt. Nittany Preschool children give thanks to Mrs. Bonnie Spotts and her staff. Their loving support make our children feel like unique individuals while teaching them to care for each other and the world around them. We appreciate Mrs. Spotts excellent, well-planned curriculum and how she and her staff make learning such a joy!”

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