

PRESCHOOL CLASSES

2-1/2 to 3 year olds Program - TADPOLE

- 30 months by Sept. 1
- AM Tues & Fri
- PM Mon & Wed

3 to 4 year olds Program - MINNOW

- 3 years by Oct. 1
- AM Mon & Wed
- PM Tues & Thur

4 to 5 year olds Program - STARFISH

- 4 years by Oct. 1
- MUST be attending kindergarten the following year
- AM Mon, Wed & Fri
- PM Tues, Thurs, & Fri

SPECIAL INTEREST CLASSES

(available to children aged 3 to 5 Yrs.)

Ooey Goey (PM Mon, AM Tues)
Chef Class (PM Wed, AM Thurs)

LUNCH BUNCH

(Potty-trained only)

All Days (11:15 am to 12:15 pm)

“MOMMY & ME” CLASSES

(Directed Play for older siblings
is an additional cost)

- 20-36 months
- 8-10 week sessions (subject to holidays)
- Fall, Winter, or Spring

Your child's first experience with school should be a positive one.

Share the excitement!
Take the first step with them at
Stepping Stones Preschool.

Call today to schedule a tour.



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About Our School

SSPC was established in 1983 by a handful of parents eager to make meaningful contributions to their children's first school experience. SSPC combines the talents of dedicated parents and staff to provide a high-quality educational experience for 2-5 year-olds for 2, 3, or more days a week. Half and full day options are available. SSPC is a state-licensed preschool.

What is a Co-op?

A cooperative preschool is administered and operated by parents on a nonprofit, nonsectarian, non-discriminatory basis. Parents actively participate in their child's class on a rotating basis, under the guidance of experienced, state-certified teachers and aides, approximately once every 6 weeks. Parental participation on committees is a vital part of a cooperative school. While working in the classroom, parents can observe their children as they learn as well as interact with their peers. Participating parents may leave younger siblings in our on-site, staff-run nursery.

Our Philosophy

Our primary goal is to provide enjoyable and developmentally appropriate learning experiences while promoting positive self-esteem. We encourage our children to explore the world as a constant source of knowledge. We provide many opportunities for your children to develop their own interests and to work cooperatively with others.

Limited Enrollment

To provide the most effective adult/student ratio.

Preschool Classes

During the 2½ hour class period each child in the Tadpole, Minnow, and Starfish classes will enjoy a safe and nurturing environment that promotes physical, social, emotional, and cognitive development. Children choose their own activities from carefully prepared learning centers during the supervised activity period.

Creative Arts

Children are encouraged to express their creativity through arts and crafts, music and movement, drama, storytelling, and puppetry.

Language Arts

Children are given the opportunity to express themselves during large and small group activities such as Let's Find Out Magazine and Show and Tell. These language experiences foster listening skills, self-confidence, and the ability to speak before a group of children.

Math

Children are given firsthand experience with counting, sorting, patterning, measuring, sequencing, graphing, and writing numbers.

Science

Children are given the opportunity to predict, investigate, question, and explore through interactive science experiments.

Reading Readiness Activities

Children are introduced to letters and writing through hands on learning activities.

Motor Development

Fine motor skills are enriched by writing, cutting, pasting, coloring, painting, puzzles, and play dough. Large motor skills are encouraged through daily outside play on our large, fenced-in playground.

Circle Time

A time to sing a hello song with our friends, listen to a story, discuss the calendar, weather, and daily events.

Nutritious Snack Time

Helping parents bring in snacks or children may help prepare snacks during one of the activities.

Special Interest Classes

Provide a 3, 4, or 5 half day option for children in the Starfish and Minnow classes; a full-day option for Minnow or Starfish; or a supplemental class for a kindergartner.

Chef Class

Enjoy a story, a craft, and prepare related snacks. Math, science, and social studies skills are practiced through cooking and the study of various cultures.

Ooey Gooney Fun

Process is the focus while exercising higher-order thinking skills in this more advanced class. Hypothesize, predict, estimate, and problem solve through hands-on, science-based experiences that give new meaning to the word "messy"! Grab your smock and get ready for some Ooey Gooney Fun!

First Step Classes

"Mommy and Me", for children 20 months and over

Three eight to ten week sessions depending on holiday schedules. Child & caregiver participate in thematically oriented activities, such as a story, music and movement, and arts and crafts. For siblings toddler age through 6 years, supervised *Directed Play* is available.