

the little school at Kids Cottage

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It is exciting to make plans for academic school year 2011-2012. To help us meet the needs of your child(ren), as well as the little school at Kids Cottage, we are asking all parents to respond immediately for the best possible opportunity for placement.

Please note that all of our classes are based on age. In most cases, your child(ren) will be placed in a class based on his/her birth date. Information about what class your child will be placed in will not be available until parent night in September. We will confirm, however, that your registration materials have been received and that your child's placement is secure.

Pre-Wee/Wee Little

The Pre-Wee/Wee Little program has been developed especially for the 18-30 month old child. It is a curriculum-based program with an emphasis on language, motor and social-emotional development. Pre-Wee/Wee Little provides a nurturing environment to ease the transition from home to the preschool setting. Children must be 18 months of age by August 31, 2011 to enroll in this class. Parents will be responsible for supplying diapers and wipes for their child.

Play Little

Play Little is a program developed especially for the two and a half to three year old child. It is a curriculum-based program with an emphasis on social and emotional development as well as language and motor development. Play Little provides a nurturing environment to ease the transition from home to the preschool environment. Children enrolled in Play Little should be well on their way to being potty trained. Children must be two and a half (2 $\frac{1}{2}$) by August 31, 2011 to enroll in this class.

Four (4) Day Preschool

The four day preschool program consists of classes that are designed for the three to four year old child. These children will participate in a variety of enrichment activities including weekly Spanish, phonics and music classes. Children must turn three by August 31, 2011 to enroll in this class. We will also offer a "Science Friday" class starting in January 2012 for children enrolled in the oldest four day preschool classes. Science Fridays will be optional and will require additional tuition and supply fees.

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Five (5) Day Preschool

The five day preschool program consists of classes that are designed for the four to five year old child. This program gives children an opportunity to gain a positive sense of self in the group situation and enhance his/her intellectual skills. If developmentally ready and chronologically age appropriate (i.e., five years old by August 31st of the academic year), children enrolled in the five day preschool program could progress to Kindergarten the following year.

Pre-Kindergarten

The five day Pre-Kindergarten program generally applies to children with birthdays near the cutoff date of August 31, 2011 for public school entry. The Pre-Kindergarten year gives children an opportunity to gain a positive sense of self in the group setting and enhance his/her intellectual skills while preparing them for a successful Kindergarten year. This class will primarily consist of children who turn five during the summer and early fall of 2011.

Full Day Kindergarten

The little school at Kids Cottage will offer a full day Kindergarten program (Monday-Friday) for the 2011-2012 school year. Mandatory Kindergarten creates some concern and confusion with respect to enrollment. Parents may choose any curriculum-based Kindergarten (private or public) that prepares a young child for first grade. **To enroll in Kindergarten your child must turn five by August 31, 2011.**

Camp Little

Camp Little consists of at least 4 two-week camp sessions running mid-June through mid-August. You may sign your child(ren) up for two-week sessions or make arrangements to combine single weeks and sessions. Registration forms and information about Camp Little will be coming to you in March.

Enclosed you will find the registration forms, billing information and concurrence statement. We appreciate your interest in the little school at Kids Cottage and look forward to becoming a part of your child's life.

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Afternoon Little

Afternoon little is a service offered both before and after school hours to children who are enrolled in a little school at Kids Cottage preschool or Kindergarten class. The afternoon little program is a planned program that enhances the curriculum from the school day in a less structured environment. It includes a time for lunch, rest, stories, afternoon snack, crafts, cooking, outdoor play and indoor free play. This service is also available to school aged siblings of children who are registered in a preschool or Kindergarten program at the little school at Kids Cottage.

Registration for the 2011-2012 school year will be valid from August 1, 2011 through July 31, 2012. A non-refundable \$40.00 registration fee per family is required to enroll in the afternoon little program. Families will be permitted to switch from full time afternoon little to drop-in afternoon little and vice-versa one time per school year.

Full Time Rates

In addition to a discounted rate, children registered for full time afternoon little are guaranteed services Monday-Friday from 7:00am-6:00pm. Full time services are not available for our two day programs. Families enrolled in the full time afternoon little program will pay the full time weekly rate every week throughout the school year even if you choose not to use the services. This includes the preschool/Kindergarten holiday breaks, family vacations, and missed time for illness.

Full Time Weekly rate for children enrolled in a three-day preschool class:

Includes 3 days of before/after school care & 2 full days of child care

Total for week: \$175/week (Price per hour: \$4.25)

Full Time Weekly rate for children enrolled in a four-day preschool class:

Includes 4 days of before/after school care & 1 full day of child care

Total for week: \$160/week (Price per hour: \$4.00)

Full Time Weekly rate for children enrolled in a five day preschool class:

Includes 5 days of before/after school care

Total for week: \$145/week (Price per hour: \$3.75)

Full Time Weekly rate for children enrolled in the full day Kindergarten class:

Includes 5 days of before/after school care

Total for week: \$85/week (Price per hour: \$3.75)

Drop-In Rates

Drop-in afternoon little services are available Monday-Friday before and after school. Ask about availability.

\$9 per hour for preschool/Pre-K/Kindergarten children **NOT** enrolled in the afternoon little program. No registration fee is required.

\$7 per hour for children enrolled in the afternoon little program. A \$40 registration fee per family is required.

\$5 per hour for each additional child in the same family.

Registration

105 Mont Blanc Blvd. Dover, DE 19904

302-734-3040

FAX 302-734-5127

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Registration Fee: \$100.00 _____ (per child) Date Paid: _____

A non-refundable \$100.00 registration fee must accompany all applications. In addition, the first tuition payment is required as a deposit for all new little school at Kids Cottage students. This payment will be applied towards the August 2011 tuition payment. Please return this form, the attached concurrence sheet and the appropriate payment to the school to secure placement.

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If your child is eligible for the Pre-Wee/Wee Little or Play Little class, please note your first and second choice.

2 Day _____ 3 Day _____

Date: _____

Child's Name: _____

Birthdate: _____ Age: _____ Gender: _____

Parent's Names: _____

Address (Street): _____ City _____ State _____

Zip: _____ Home Phone: _____

Mother (Cell): _____ Father (Cell): _____

Father's Place of Employment: _____ Phone: _____

Mother's Place of Employment: _____ Phone: _____

E-Mail (Primary): _____

Emergency Phone Number (Name and Number): _____

Physician: _____ Phone: _____

Brothers/Sisters (Name/Ages): _____

Known Allergies or Medical Problems: _____

Preschool Experience: _____

Comments: _____

Afternoon Little Program

Registration Fee: \$40.00 _____ (per family) Date Paid _____

Drop-In: \$7/hour (little school at Kids Cottage students only) _____

Full Time (3 day class): \$175/week _____

Full Time (4 day class): \$160/week _____

Full Time (5 day class): \$145/week _____

Full Time Kindergarten: \$85/week _____

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Child's Name: _____

Bill to:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Field Trip/Visitors

Play Little:	\$75 Due in September	\$75 Due in February
Preschool/PreK/Kindergarten:	\$125 Due in September	\$125 Due in February

Wee Little and Play Little

Two Day - Tuesday, Friday - \$2060/year (\$206 in ten monthly payments)

Three Day - Monday, Wednesday, Thursday - \$2840/year (\$284 in ten monthly payments)

PreSchool

Four Day - Monday through Thursday - \$3220/year (\$322 in ten monthly payments)

Five Day - Monday through Friday - \$3,600/year (\$360 in ten monthly payments)

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Kindergarten

Five full days - Monday through Friday - \$5,680/year (\$568 in ten monthly payments)

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Drop-In: \$7/hour for children enrolled in the afternoon little program or \$9/hour for children not enrolled in the afternoon little program Monday-Friday 7:00am-6:00pm.

Full time weekly rates are available upon request.

Additional Information

The \$100.00 registration fee will be waived if your child's yearly tuition is paid in full by May 31, 2011.

A \$100.00 sibling discount will be available to families with more than one child attending the little school at Kids Cottage during the 2011-2012 school year.

Tuition payments are due on the first of every month. A late fee of \$10.00 will be incurred after the 10th of the month if your child's tuition payment has not been paid. Accounts over thirty days will be charged a late fee of \$20.00 per month. There will be a charge of \$40.00 for any returned checks. As of August 1, 2011 the first month's tuition for all preschool classes will be non-refundable. The Kindergarten 1st month's tuition is non-refundable as of June 15th, 2011. In order for us to hold a spot for your child for the upcoming 2011-2012 school year, your child's 2010-2011 tuition must be paid in full by May 10, 2011.

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