



Preschool Information



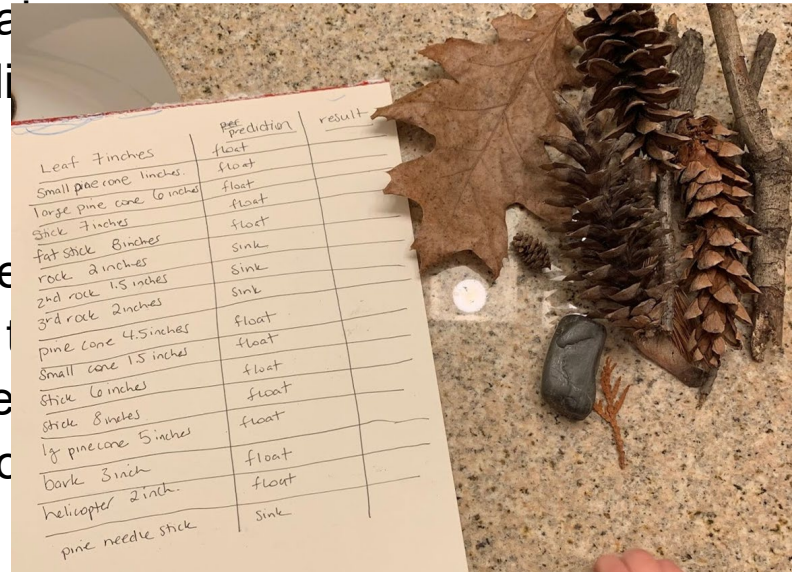
Malletts Bay School
Early Education Program
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Introduction: Mission Statement

Colchester Early Education Program creates an environment where children learn along with their teachers in a kind and respectful way. We value each person as an individual with distinct abilities and talents. We offer a hands-on, experiential learning environment where children are encouraged to ask questions and test theories in order to expand their knowledge. We value the homeschool connection and consider families and community members an integral part of our learning community.

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Licensing

The Malletts Bay School Early Education Program is a general education program that accepts students of all abilities. We meet students where they are developmentally and provide the support and services.

- State licensed child care center
- Agency of Education [AOE](#)
- Health and Human Services [HHS](#)
- Teachers are licensed according to state requirements

Click on the links to learn more about the guidelines we follow.





Curriculum

Creative Curriculum:

- The philosophy young children learn best by doing. It is built on theories of development for young children, that all children learn through active exploration of their environment
- The goal - help children become independent, selfconfident, inquisitive and enthusiastic learners
- Encourages creative thinking
- Hands-on exploration and discovery
- Builds critical thinking and confidence
- “Young children learn best by doing”



Homegrown Curriculum:

- MBS supplemental curriculum
- Created by MBS Preschool teachers and special educators
- Many focuses/ themes:
 - Insects
 - Author's studies
 - Artist and Art studies



Standards and Assessments

Standards:

- Vermont Early Learning Standards:
 - [VELS](#)- use this link to learn about the three stages:
- Developing Self
- Communication and Expression
- Learning about the World



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Assessment:

- Teaching Strategies [Go2G](#) - Areas of development:
 - Social emotional
 - Physical
 - Language
 - Cognitive
 - Literacy
 - Mathematics
 - Science and Technology
 - Social Studies
 - Arts
 - English Language Acquisition
- “Assessment” two times per year (fall and spring)





Schedule

- Half-day program
- Days: Tuesday through Friday
 - Preschool is NOT in session on Mondays
- Times: 8:30AM - 11:15AM OR 12:00PM-2:45PM



Day in the Life of a Preschooler

1. Arrival/Outside time
2. Breakfast/lunch
3. Circle: academic and theme related
4. Activities: Art, free choice, dramatic play
5. Clean up
6. Second circle: Social emotional focus
7. Dismissal



Support Services



- Speech Language Pathologist
- Autism/ Behavior Intervention
- Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy (OTPT)
- School Psychologist
- Behavior Specialist
- Social Worker
- Special Educators
- School Nurse



Discipline and Behavior Management

- Main focuses:
 - One-on-one work
 - Problem Solving
 - Feeling identification
 - Finding developmentally appropriate solutions/ strategies

Feeling Chart

Frustrated



Hungry



Excited



Happy



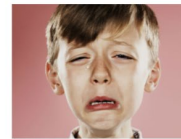
Tired



Mad



Sad



Silly

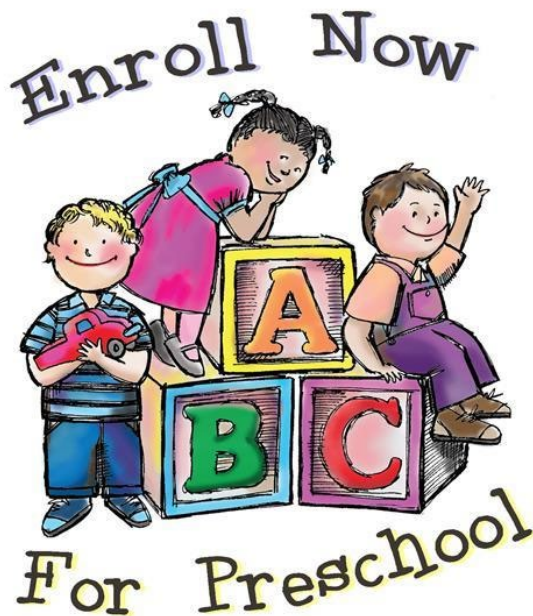


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Enrollment Process



[Preschool lottery procedure](#) Click the link to view frequently asked questions:

- Preschool lottery
- Number of students
- Timeline
- Application
- Admission

[Preschool Enrollment Letter for Families](#) - Click the link to view the letter from our school Principal, Jordan Burke, and the Early Education Facilitator, Nancy Smith.



Communication

Blogs and email

- [Miss. Nancy's Blog](#)
- [Miss. Taylor's Blog](#)
- [Miss. Darcie's Blog](#)
 - You can also find each teachers' blogs under the Teacher Pages header on our website

Family conferences

- Two times per year
- November and March
- Along with MBS 3-5 grade schedule

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Other Important Information

- **Outside time** Integral part of the program. We go out everyday unless rain or the “real feel” is 10 degrees or lower according to Accuweather (8 and 1130)
Colchester location
- Clothing - Wear play clothes
- Allergies - Peanut free environment
- School breakfast/ lunch
 - Available every day
 - [Free-reduced lunch application](#)



Thank you

