



River Preschool

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The staff at River Preschool welcomes you to our school. It is the philosophy of River Preschool to provide age-appropriate educational programs that will encourage each child to grow spiritually, cognitively, physically, and socially. Within our secure, nurturing, Christian setting it is our desire that each child will gain confidence, self-respect, and a love for God that will saturate his/her life. Our mission is to seek God's will in developing each child's unique potential to become a life-long learner, a disciple of Jesus Christ and a productive citizen. Thank you for being a part of River Preschool.

VPK Registration Information **2023-2024**

Enrollment of our current River students, their siblings, and siblings of past students will begin on January 9th, 2023 for the 2023-2024 school year. Registration for River Christian Church members and registered members of the RCC MOMs group will begin on January 17th. Registration will open to the public on January 23rd. **Please remember that all openings are on a first come, first served basis depending upon the availability at the time of registration.** We will offer 2 programs for VPK eligible students: VPK Only and VPK with Brain Boosters.

VPK Only

The VPK program is funded by the state of Florida and is available for children who will be 4 years old on or before September 1st. Our VPK program is Monday-Friday from 9:00-12:36. VPK will be paid for by the State of Florida and will require a commitment from the parent to adhere to the attendance policy. A copy of the attendance policy is attached to sign and return with registration paperwork. **Space is limited for VPK Only. We will have a drawing for the VPK Only class on Friday, January 13th at 9:15am. Only current River Preschool 3's students that have been enrolled since the first day of school are eligible for the drawing.**

VPK with Brain Boosters

Our VPK w/ Brain Boosters program compliments our VPK only curriculum. These classes offer a concentrated enrichment time allowing students to engage in multi-sensory activities that will spark learning and support your child's sense of discovery. Classes for VPK with Brain Boosters will be Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9:00 am to 12:36 pm and Tuesday and Thursday from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. Students enrolled in VPK with Brain Boosters will need to bring a lunch on Tuesday and Thursday.

The registration/supply fee for Brain Boosters is \$225.00. Monthly tuition for the Brain Boosters program is \$220.00. The time that is designated for VPK will be paid for by the State of Florida and will require a commitment from the parent to adhere to the

attendance policy. A copy of the attendance policy is attached to sign and return with registration paperwork. The Brain Booster program does not have an attendance policy.

Tuition

Tuition for VPK with Brain Boosters (\$220.00/month) is due on the first of each month and is late after the 5th. A \$10.00 late fee is charged for payments received after the 5th unless prior arrangements have been made with the office.

It is important to remember our tuition is based on a daily price and the preschool runs on a 150-day calendar. Clay County runs on a 180-day calendar; we will always be closed on Clay County half days as well as additional closed days throughout the school year. Please review the attached calendar of holidays and closures for the 2023-24 school year.

Enrollment

In order to enroll your child and ensure a spot in VPK Only or VPK with Brain Boosters for the 2023-2024 school year, the following must be completed:

1. Enrollment Form & signed Attendance Form
2. Registration Fee in the amount of \$225. All students must submit this fee, **VPK Only and VPK BB**. No money will be deposited until after the VPK Only drawing on Friday, January 13th. If your child's name is drawn for the VPK Only class, your registration fee will be returned. There are no costs associated with the VPK Only class.
3. VPK Certificate of Eligibility form from Episcopal Children Services.

****All registration fees are non-refundable and are required to hold spots in our program.**

All VPK students must submit the VPK Certificate of Eligibility form from Episcopal Children Services. Registering for VPK at River Preschool is different than registering with the state. Both must be completed. Please visit their website for additional information at ecs4kids.org.

Admission

The following must be completed before the first day of school:

- Enrollment Form & signed Attendance Form (turned in at time of registration)
- Registration Fee for VPK with Brain Boosters (turned in at registration)
- Birth Certificate to verify age (at time of registration)
- **All VPK students must submit the VPK Certificate of Eligibility form from Episcopal Children Services. Please visit their website for additional information at ecs4kids.org. (turned in at time of registration.)**
- HRS health forms furnished by your physician:
 1. Immunization Form **and** Well Child Examination (turned in at orientation)

Orientation and First Day Information

Orientation will be held Tuesday, August 22nd. At Orientation, the students will visit their class and meet their teacher. You will receive a postcard by the first week of August, giving you specific information regarding teacher assignment and times for Orientation. VPK's first day will be Wednesday, August 23rd for all VPK students. Brain Boosters will begin Tuesday, August 29th.

Hours and Extended Hours

VPK Only hours of care are from 9:00 - 12:36 Monday-Friday. VPK with Brain Boosters hours of care are from 9:00-12:36 Monday, Wednesday, and Friday and 9:00-2:00 on Tuesday and Thursday. Our car line begins at 9:00 and ends at 9:10 for arrival. At dismissal, our car line begins at 12:36 and ends at 12:46 for VPK Only and VPK with Brain Boosters on MWF. For Brain Boosters on Tuesday and Thursday, car line begins at 2:00 and ends at 2:10.

****Students must be on time every day, as it is a disruption to arrive late during class time. Any tardiness after 10:30AM will not be permitted unless you have a doctor's note.**

We offer an extended program:

- Extended day is from 12:36 until 2:00 Monday-Friday for VPK Only. Extended is offered for VPK with Brain Boosters on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 12:36-2:00.
- The fee for extended day is \$15 regardless of how long the child stays. The fee should be sent in on the morning your child plans to stay or added to your monthly tuition check.
- It is the responsibility of the parent to provide a lunch and drink.
- Early Morning Drop-Off is available every day from 8:30-9:00 for \$5. Children will not be accepted to early drop-off before 8:30. The parent must park and walk the student into the building to be signed in. Payment for Early Drop-Off is due each day or added to monthly tuition payment.

Discipline

In compliance with HRS Section 10M-12.013, we will never use physical punishment as a means of discipline. In the area of discipline, we make it our priority to teach through consistency and loving guidance.

Questions

If you have any questions regarding our programming or registration, please do not hesitate to give us a call at the preschool office. You may contact the director, Sara Myers, at 904-385-0656.

**Our schedule is based off the timeline of Clay County School District; refunds will not be given based on schedule changes.



Student Calendar Holidays & Closures 2023-2024

Tuesday, August 22, 2023	Orientation
Wednesday, August 23, 2023	First day of school- VPK, M.W.F.
Thursday, August 24, 2023	First day of school- T.Th.
Monday, September 4, 2023	Labor Day, Student/Teacher Holiday
Wednesday, September 13, 2023	Clay Co. half day, River Preschool Closed
Monday, October 16, 2023	Clay Co. Planning, River Preschool Closed
Tuesday, October 31, 2023	Clay Co. half day, River Preschool Closed
Wednesday, November 1, 2023	River Preschool Closed
Friday, November 10, 2023	Veteran's Day, Student/Teacher Holiday
Monday, November 20- 24, 2023	Thanksgiving, Student/Teacher Holidays
Friday, Dec. 15, 2023	No School, Christmas Break Begins
Monday, Dec. 18, 2023- Jan. 4, 2024	Christmas, Student/Teacher Holidays
Friday, January 5, 2024	Clay Co. Planning, River Preschool Closed
Monday, January 8, 2024	Students return to school
Monday, January 15, 2024	MLK Day, Student/Teacher Holiday
Wednesday, February 14, 2024	Clay Co. half day, River Preschool closed
Monday, February 19, 2024	President's Day, Student/Teacher Holiday
Friday, March 8, 2024	Clay Co. Planning, River Preschool Closed
Monday, March 11-15 2024	Spring Break, Student/Teacher Holiday
Friday, March 29, 2024	Good Friday, Student/Teacher Holiday
Friday, April 12, 2024	Fair Day Student/Teacher Holiday
Wednesday, May 1, 2024	Clay Co. half day, River Preschool Closed
Tuesday, May 14, 2024	Last day of school 2's & 3's, T.TH.
Wednesday, May 15, 2024	Last day of school 2's & 3's., M.W.F , VPK
Thursday, May 16, 2024	VPK Graduation

River Preschool follows Clay County's schedule for holidays/planning days and the preschool is closed on Clay County half days.

**Please note that the preschool runs on a 150-day calendar for all 5-day students and the county runs on a 180-day calendar. Your monthly tuition is created by a daily fee multiplied by 150 days.