



PRESCHOOL & JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN

NORTHSIDE CATHOLIC ACADEMY

JUNIOR WILDCATS

BE A PART OF SOMETHING GREATER

PRESCHOOL

Our preschool provides a child-centered learning program where children participate in meaningful play in a stimulating and joyful environment enabling a comfortable transition from home to school. We differentiate learning to suit the age and development of each learner. Students will prepare to think and act critically, creatively, and collaboratively, ensuring complete preparation for kindergarten and beyond.



FOR 3 AND 4-YEAR-OLDS

To be considered, children must be toilet trained and 3 years old by September 1.

PRESCHOOL PROGRAM:

- Five full-days per week

Monday - Friday, 8:10am - 3:05pm

(Extended Care available 6:30am - 6pm)

- Five half-days per week

Monday - Friday, 8:10am - 11:15am

- Three half-days per week

Tuesday - Thursday, 8:10am - 11am (3 year-olds only)

PRESCHOOL

We are dedicated to educating the whole child. Our unique and comprehensive program sparks curiosity and develops social-emotional, physical, spiritual, and cognitive growth. We emphasize language expansion and value creative process over the finished product. Our teachers create settings that strengthen self-esteem and instill a love of learning. Throughout the day, learners engage in activities that foster independence, self-regulation, problem-solving, and decision-making. Our curriculum is filled with early literacy, math, science, social studies, Spanish, art, music, physical education, and yoga.



Why NCA Preschool?

- Award-Wining Academy
- Experienced, state-certified faculty
- Progressive & faith-based environment
- Social-emotional learning
- Diverse student body
- Well-rounded curriculum
- STEAM discovery stations
- Tech Together Time
- Merry Music & Movement
- Spanish
- Yippee Yoga & Power Fitness
- Field trips
- Concerts & plays
- Extended Care 6:30am - 6pm
- Affordable tuition
- A welcoming parent community

JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN

Junior Kindergarten provides a strong foundation for success in Kindergarten and beyond. This program builds upon the educational, social, and emotional skills developed in preschool, allowing for a more student-led initiative in planning center work, with individualized instruction in language development. Students also develop:

- Creativity & curiosity• Decision-making
- Mindfulness• Self-regulation
- Independence• Positive peer interaction



FOR 4 AND 5-YEAR-OLDS

Junior Kindergarten enhances Kindergarten readiness in young minds who have completed 1-2 years of preschool. Often, an older four-year-old or new five-year-old student is ready for new challenges while not fully prepared for the next level.

Junior Kindergarten does not replace traditional Kindergarten. Rather, it serves as a bridge from preschool to Kindergarten admission. To be considered, children must be toilet trained and turn five years-old between September 1 - December 31.

JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM

- Five full-days per week
- Monday - Friday, 8:10am - 3:05pm
(Extended Care available 6:30am - 6pm)

JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN

We grow passionate learners in Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math through activities and engagement. An instrumental part of play is observing the natural and physical world. With inherent curiosity, students learn to classify, experiment, predict, and draw conclusions from observation.

Students explore technology using iPad apps and digital coding tools that empower the innovative spirit. Technology in the Early Learning Center programs is carefully and thoughtfully managed according to early childhood guidelines. We utilize technology as a complement to unplugged inquisitiveness.

We understand how busy and active four and five-year-olds can be! With programs like Power Fitness and Yippee Yoga, students will be supported as they develop motor skills and learn personal care habits.



The creative arts are a prominent feature of our program. Children tap into creativity and express themselves through art, music, movement, and play. Creative expression is integrated into daily routines so students have every opportunity to explore different media, enjoy songs and rhythms, and collaborate with peers in imagination-driven dramatic play.

Schedule a Private Preschool Tour

Our private preschool tours provide an opportunity to experience first hand the dynamic culture of our Early Learning Center, meet our staff, and to learn more about our preschool program and the application process.

We offer tours during the school year from Monday through Friday, from 8:30am to 3pm.

To schedule a tour please call or email Jacob Utz,
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Tuition & Registration

Visit **NorthsideCatholic.org** today to apply for our preschool or junior kindergarten programs.

Start your child's path to extraordinary learning and discovery!