



Frequently Asked Questions

Behavior guidance

Emphasis is placed on positive behavior. Children will be supervised at all times. Behavior guidance techniques used at Joyce are prevention: positive role modeling, redirection, direct teaching of problem-solving, positive behavior skills, and reasonable and logical consequences. For dangerous and/or persistent disruptive behavior, time-out may be used in compliance with Minnesota Department of Human Services rules for Child Care Centers. Parents will be notified of persistent behavior problems.

Multiple child discount

A discount is available for families with multiple students enrolled in the school (\$10 per child per month).

Policy on age of students

Students must be 3 years old and potty trained.

Students who are 33 months old by September 1st are also eligible to be put on the waitlist for the Two-day class. If the Two-day class is not full by May 1st, we will begin drawing from the 33 month old waitlist by sequence of birthdates.

Potty training

Some children are still learning to use the restroom independently during the spring and summer prior to the start of preschool. We realize this milestone can be difficult to predict, and also that some children have accidents when experiencing transition. While Joyce Preschool teachers will assist students in the event of a toileting accident, we are not set up for diaper changes. We recommend that all parents take their student to the restroom upon arrival to school, particularly at the beginning of the year, and that parents keep a change of clothes in their student's backpack. If accidents are frequent, we will either request that parents stay onsite during class time and/or meet with parents to consider the child's overall readiness for preschool.

Program expansion

Joyce Preschool's Board of Directors has approved a Strategic Plan that includes growth and expansion to serve an increased number of students and families over the next three years. In accordance with this plan, we are in negotiations with Windom Dual Immersion School to open a new Joyce Preschool classroom in their school building at 5821 Wentworth Ave S., Minneapolis for Fall 2012. We anticipate confirming details of this opportunity and opening enrollment in the early spring of 2012.