Stepping Stones Preschool



The skills needed for life are learned well before the age of six. With an impeccable facility that supports a variety of learning opportunities from licensed teachers and supportive staff, the Stepping Stones Preschool at Pearson Early Learning Center is a truly rewarding program for young learners of all abilities.

- Curriculum that is intentionally aligned with Kindergarten standards.
- Instructional programming includes innovative approaches that infuse STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) concepts as well as the Pyramid Model.
- Core learning areas that include language and literacy, mathematics, dramatic play, the arts and learning with nature.
- Highly qualified, licensed teachers.
- An onsite licensed school nurse.
- Onsite gym and cafeteria.
- Numerous opportunities for movement along with a large **playground**.
- Raptor **security** system.
- Sensory room and break spaces.
- Partnership with the YMCA, onsite, for before and after extended care.

Note: All Stepping Stones Preschool classes follow the Shakopee Public Schools district calendar that is published online at <u>Shakopee.k12.mn.us</u> by January 1st of each school year (or earlier).



Scholarship Opportunities Available				
State Scholarship	School Scholarship			
May receive up to \$15,000 which can be used for preschool and YMCA extended care tuition.	May receive tuition assistance for a 2, 3, 4 or 5 half day preschool program. School scholarships cannot be used toward YMCA extended care tuition.			
Awarded on a first-come, first-served basis.	Available on a first-come, first- served basis, and are awarded beginning in July. Children must be three years of age or older to qualify.			
Apply at familiesfirstmn.org	Please contact 952.496.5861 for specific information on how to apply for an Early Learning scholarship. Must submit income information with application.			

Pathway II Scholarship applications will be made available starting May 1, 2025. Families will be notified after July 1 if they qualify and receive a scholarship once they submit a complete application. Mail or drop off in our secure drop box: Pearson Early Learning Center - Scholarship Administrator, 917 Dakota Street South, Shakopee, MN 55379.

2025-26 Program Options & Pricing

Stepping Stones Preschool offers a wide-range of preschool options. Programs include half-day preschool and full-day programming (7:00am - 5:30pm) when combining preschool and extended care through our onsite partnership with the YMCA.



Registration for the 2025-26 school year will open on January 23, 2025. Current Stepping Stones Preschool families will have access roughly, one week prior to this date. Children must be 3 or 4 years old as of September 1 of the year they plan to start and independently potty-trained (no pull-ups). You must be enrolled in a Stepping Stones Preschool Class to register for YMCA Extended Care. You can only enroll for Extended Care on the days your child attends Preschool.

All full and half day programs, including YMCA mid-care, include a snack and milk. Full-day programs and YMCA after-care include a snack. YMCA morning care includes a breakfast.

3-Year Old Programs					
5-Day Programs					
M,T,W,Th,F	9:00-11:30am	\$369/month			
M,T,W,Th,F	9:00am-3:00pm	\$738/month			
4-Day Program					
M,T,W,Th	12:30-3:00pm	\$296/month			
3-Day Program					
M,W,F	9:00 -11:30am	\$222/month			
2-Day Programs					
M,W	12:30-3:00pm	\$148/month			
T, Th	9:00-11:30am	\$148/month			
T, Th	12:30-3:00pm	\$148/month			

4-Year Old Programs					
5-Day Programs					
DAY	TIME	COST			
M,T,W,Th,F	9:00-11:30am	\$369/month			
M,T,W,Th,F	12:30-3:00pm	\$369/month			
M,T,W,Th,F	9:00am-3:00pm	\$738/month			
4-Day Program					
M,T,W,Th	12:30-3:00pm	\$296/month			
3-Day Program					
M,W,F	9:00-11:30am	\$222/month			
2-Day Program					
T,Th	9:00-11:30am	\$148/month			

	YMCA Extended Care 5-Day Programs				
	DAY	TIME	COST		
	M,T,W,Th,F	7:00-9:00am	\$172/month		
	M,T,W,Th,F	11:30am-3:00pm	\$369/month		
	M,T,W,Th,F	3:00-5:30pm	\$172/month		
		4-Day Programt			
	M,T,W,Th	3:00-5:30pm	\$138/month		
		3-Day Programs			
	M,W,F	7:00-9:00am	\$103/month		
	M,W,F	11:30am-3:00pm	\$222/month		
	M,W,F	3:00-5:30pm	\$103/month		
	2-Day Programs				
	T,Th	7:00-9:00am	\$69/month		
-	T,Th	11:30am-3:00pm	\$148/month		
	M,W or T,Th	3:00-5:30pm	\$69/month		