

# EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM CURRICULUM

Waldorf education works with the growing capacities of your young child to cultivate a passion for learning:

- Joy in movement
- Development of the imagination
- Reverence for the natural world
- Plenty of outdoor play in nature
- Beautiful surroundings
- Emphasis on rhythm, simplicity and balance
- Rich story curriculum

**PARENT & TOT CLASS** A great way for parents to explore the philosophy of Waldorf early childhood education. Aids young children in building a secure bridge to their expanding world.

**THREE-DAY PRESCHOOL** For children ages 2½ by September 1st. Serves as a transition from Parent & Tot to Preschool over the course of the fall. Class meets three days per week, four hours per day. In the early weeks, parents may stay for a portion of the morning, until their children are comfortably settled. Over time, the children learn to separate from parents with ease and move into their daily rhythm with a sense of security and adventure.

**PRESCHOOL** Our program provides nourishment for young children's imaginations, physical challenges for their bodies and a loving, beautiful environment for their hearts.

**KINDERGARTEN** Seattle Waldorf School has three kindergartens, Rosemary and Lavender at the Kinderhaus campus, and Briar Rose at the Meadowbrook campus. For children ages four through six, this two-year, mixed-age program offers a home-like environment that eases the child's transition from home life into school.

	PARENT-TOT CLASS	THREE-DAY PRESCHOOL	PRESCHOOL	KINDERGARTEN
<b>Daily Rhythm</b>	Arrival Indoor play, parent craft activity and bread baking Inside circle with songs, finger games, movement, verse and puppet play Snack preparation and sharing Outdoor play in yard Goodbye	Outdoor work and play Come inside for free play and practical activity (baking or craft) Potty break Warm, organic snack Circle Goodbye	Arrival Outdoor play and nature walk Story, songs, and finger games led by the teacher Snack Inside free play Departure	Arrival Morning circle Outdoor play and nature walk Return to school Story, songs, and finger games led by the teacher Snack Free play inside or outside Lunch Departure
<b>Weekly Activities</b>	N/A	Snack preparation Bread baking Applesauce making Grain grinding	Snack preparation Bread baking Applesauce making Grain grinding	Eurythmy Watercolor painting Drawing Beeswax modeling Finger knitting Bread baking Cleaning
<b>Seasonal Rhythm</b>	Craft and circle activities are chosen to reflect the season	Craft and circle activities are chosen to reflect the season	Craft and circle activities are chosen to reflect the season Seasonal celebrations	Circle activities reflect the season, along with seasonal celebrations: Harvest fest, lantern walk winter spiral, spring parade
<b>Class Size</b>	8 families, 1 teacher	10 children, 2 teachers	14 children, 2 teachers	18 – 20 children, 2 teachers
<b>Age Range</b>	Ages 12 – 36 months With one parent or caregiver	Age 2½ by September 1	For children 3 years old by September 1 Must be potty trained	Ages 4 – 6 years old (4 by June 1) 2-year, mixed-age program
<b>Schedule</b>	One class per week Choice of four days available: Mondays or Tuesdays, 9:30 – 11:30 am Thursdays or Fridays, 9:00 – 11:00 am	Three days per week Monday – Wednesday or Wednesday – Friday 8:30 am – 12:30 pm	Five days per week Regular program: 8:30 am – 12:45 pm Extended day program: 8:30 am – 3:00 pm	Five days per week Regular program: 8:45 am – 1:00 pm Extended day program: 8:45 am – 3:00 pm
<b>Location</b>	Meadowbrook Campus 2728 NE 100th Street, Seattle	Meadowbrook Campus 2728 NE 100th Street, Seattle	Meadowbrook Campus 2728 NE 100th Street, Seattle Kinderhaus Campus 4919 Woodlawn Ave N, Seattle	Meadowbrook Campus 2728 NE 100th Street, Seattle Kinderhaus Campus 4919 Woodlawn Ave N, Seattle
<b>After School Care</b>	Not Available	Not Available	Available until 5:00 pm	Available until 5:00 pm
<b>Tuition 2018-2019</b>	Session 1: \$595 17 weeks Session 2: \$595 17 weeks	\$8,475	5-day until 12:45 pm: \$14,175 5-day until 3:00 pm: \$17,325 After School Care 3:00–5:00 pm: \$10 per hour	5-day until 12:45 pm: \$14,175 5-day until 3:00 pm: \$17,325 After School Care 3:00–5:00 pm: \$10 per hour