

St. Cecilia Preschool



Preschoolers are very enthusiastic learners and these positive attitudes can greatly contribute to their future success in school. Preschoolers learn through fun and games as they navigate through their classroom with toys, puzzles and shapes helping in the development of important cognitive skills, social development and gross/fine motor skills. Research has shown that preschool also provides an atmosphere for the development of early literacy and mathematical skills. The skills learned during the Preschool years can then be applied in math, reading, religion, social studies, science, art, gym, and music greatly contributing to future school achievement.

PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS OFFERED

	DAYS	TUITION
3 Year Olds	T, TH Morning	Stewardship \$1,555
	T, TH Afternoon	Out of Parish \$1,755
4 Year Olds	M, W, F Morning	Stewardship \$1,855
	M, W, F Afternoon	Out of Parish \$2,055

Morning classes are offered from 7:30-10:30; Afternoon classes are offered from 11:30-2:30.

*A \$90 nonrefundable fee is due at the time of registration. The fee is reduced to \$60 if a sibling is also enrolled at St. Cecilia.

CHILDCARE PROGRAM

Our childcare program is open from 7am - 6pm Monday-Friday. Our center offers summer and year-long care. We follow STC school calendar for holidays and breaks during the school year.

We offer full-day/half-day services for children from 12 months-5 years. Tuition fees are collected bi-weekly. Fees are as follows:

\$35 a day/child

\$20 for half day/child (anything less than 5 hours)

* A \$25 nonrefundable fee is due at the time of registration.

No sick or vacation allowances are made. No reimbursements are given for unforeseen center closings or days missed due to illness. There are no fees charged for center holidays.

St. Cecilia School's preschool program was created to help children foster a love of learning at an early age. Our licensed teacher help children discover learning based on developmentally appropriate curriculum that focus' on students intellectual, physical, social emotional and spiritual growth. The curriculum works to develop these skills through large/small groups, learning centers, hands on activities, prayer and integrating play, music, art and literacy into students' daily routines.

3 YEAR OLD PROGRAM

(Must be 3 by August 1st of the enrolling school year)
Teachers will work with students to develop social, emotional, cognitive and spiritual development. This is a program where students are introduced to a structured environment, making friends, learning through play and following directions with exposure to basic academics. Students participate in hands on activities using centers, fine arts, dramatic play and activities designed to increase mathematical, literacy, physical and fine motor skills.

4 YEAR OLD PROGRAM

(Must be 4 by August 1st of the enrolling school year)
Teachers will work to prepare children for kindergarten. Students will spend an additional day at preschool focusing on maturing socially and emotionally, and digging deeper into academics such as higher numbers, counting, learning letters and letter sounds. Students will use hands on activities to extend learning via the use of play, kinesthetic learning and centers.

Where is the preschool located? The preschool is located in the lower level of St. Cecilia School in our Early Childhood Learning Center along with our childcare rooms.

Are multiple student discounts applicable for preschool? What about financial aid? Preschool is a separate entity from K-8, and operates on different funds. Discounts and financial aid are unavailable at this time.

Is before and after care offered? Yes, please see information about our childcare program.

Is busing available for Preschool? Private transportation must be used for preschool students. Unfortunately, busing is not provided to us for preschool by the public schools. Busing is available to students starting in kindergarten.

Will the schedule run the same as grades K-8? Morning classes are offered from 7:30-10:30. Afternoon classes are offered from 11:30-2:30. All students (Preschool-8) will follow the same school calendar.

Are Preschool students expected to wear a uniform? No, students should wear comfortable play clothes with gym shoes. Shorts and pants should allow for students to easily use the restroom independently.

Is snack provided by the school? Will students eat lunch at school? We provide a nutritionally balanced snack. The snacks include two food groups. If making use of our childcare program your child will need to bring their own lunch.

Will I be able to volunteer in preschool? Parents may choose to volunteer at St. Cecilia's Preschool, but it is not required. If you choose to become involved in the school program the Diocese of Covington requires the following information for anyone who would like to volunteer at St. Cecilia:

1. VIRTUS certification and monthly training (www.virtusonline.org).
2. Read and sign the form for the Diocesan Policies and Procedures for Addressing Sexual Misconduct
3. Background check

Once a person completes these three steps, you will be able to volunteer in the school. If you would like to volunteer, please contact the Virtus coordinator for more information: Karen Lipscomb klipscomb@stcindependence.org.

What curriculum is used for preschool? Our curriculum is guided by the Kentucky Early Childhood Standards.

Will attending preschool give my child priority for kindergarten admission? St. Cecilia Roman Catholic School is a Parish school that is open to all members of the Parish and community and will not discriminate against applicants on the basis of sex, race, disability, nationality, or ethnic origin. Admission to the school is based upon the availability of classroom space. Students will be accepted for admission in the following order of preference:

1. Students who are currently enrolled in St. Cecilia Roman Catholic School and their siblings.
2. Siblings or children of students who have graduated from St. Cecilia Roman Catholic School.
3. Registered parishioners of St. Cecilia Church not currently attending St. Cecilia Roman Catholic School.
4. Registered parishioners from a neighboring Catholic Church that do not have a school.
5. Non-Catholic students wishing to enroll and desiring a Catholic education.

What if I do not want to be a member of the parish? There is an additional fee for non-parish members. Please see "Preschool Programs Offered" section.

What do need to know for registration?

- You will need to determine the class your child will attend. Your options are the 3 Year Old Program or the 4 Year Old Program.
- Please determine if morning or afternoon classes are best for your child.

When is registration considered complete? You will be asked to submit the following: a completed registration form, birth certificate, social security card, a copy of the student's baptismal certificate, a current physical examination record, a current immunization record with a valid expiration date & doctor's signature, and a \$90 registration fee. Your registration is not complete until all forms and fees are returned to the school. *Baptism is not a requirement but if your child is baptized, we need the baptismal certificate for sacrament record keeping.

When will parents be notified if they are accepted? This is dependent on enrollment of new families. Families will find out if they are accepted by the end of May.

Please contact our Early Childhood Learning Director Kim Murphy for more information. kmurphy@stceciliaindependence.org
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