

Early Childhood Programs Overview

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Dear Parents,

Thank you for your interest in Saint John the Baptist School. This letter is a brief outline of the programs we provide for early childhood.

We will continue with our full and half day **Kindergarten** programs next year. The half-day program will be held only in the mornings. Students must be 5 years old by September 1, 2010.

The **Pre-Kindergarten** program offers both a 3-day or 5-day program. Students may enter this program when they are 3 years 9 months (by September 1st) with the understanding the student must be 5 years old by September 1st to enter Kindergarten and will need to attend one of these programs for 2 years. Many students who are 3.9 will attend the 3 or 5-day program then attend the 5-day full day pre-kindergarten program the next year. In addition to the traditional half-day Pre-Kindergarten, we offer an optional “Stay and Play” program for those who would like their child to remain in school until 2:45 p.m.

We also offer a full-day Pre-Kindergarten classroom. Students must be **4 years old by September 1st for the 5-day full-day Pre-Kindergarten** and the afternoon will consist of activities that extend from the morning curriculum.

The **Pre-School** program will continue as a 2-day program on Tuesdays and Thursdays. This program is open to children who are 2 years 9 months or older. Children should be 2 years 9 months by September 1st. In addition to the traditional half-day Pre-School, we are offering an optional “Stay and Play” program for those who would like their child to remain in school on those days until 2:45 p.m.

Another program available is the **Friday Morning Playgroup**. Children must be 2 years of age or older. A parent or guardian must stay with the child. There will be 3 six-week sessions during the school year.

We will still be offering an **Early Morning Care** program (beginning at 7:30 a.m.) and **Extended Day** program (from 2:45 – 5:30 p.m.) for all grade levels.

If you have any questions, please contact me at the school. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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