Nature-based learning is beneficial to a child’s heart, mind, and soul! Wonderbloom Nature Playschool is based in an outdoor classroom. As often as possible, we will be outdoors - all year round - in rain, snow, or shine. Our staff closely monitor the weather and the children's health and we will go inside in case of unsafe air quality or unsafe weather conditions. Parents must prepare their child (physically, mentally, emotionally) to spend several hours outdoors in all kinds of weather. Parents dress their child appropriately for the weather so they are ready to engage in nature-based learning upon arrival.

**Ages**
- Ages 3-5.5 years
- Children do not need to be potty trained. *Using the toilet independently is part of normal childhood development. If your child cannot yet use the toilet independently- and has the ability to do so- we will create a plan with you to help facilitate this.*

**Ratios**
- Child Care Licensing requires that we keep a ratio of adult to child at 1:12 with this mixed age group. We keep our ratios much more conservative by staying 1:8.
- Research shows that having a mixed age group is beneficial to children, so we employ this approach in our school. We provide open-ended activities in which children of differing abilities can engage. Although, we occasionally provide targeted activities for differing learning levels.

**Fees**
- $30 Application Fee, non-refundable
- $100 Enrollment Fee, non-refundable
- For Academic Yr families, “Last Month’s Tuition” and $100 Supplies Fee are non-refundable and due Aug 1.

**Auto Pay required for monthly tuition**

**Class Options**
Registration opens for current families on January 11th, 2021 at 10am. **Current families DO NOT NEED TO REAPPLY.** They will let us know they are continuing their enrollment and pay the enrollment fee. **Registration opens to the GENERAL PUBLIC on Jan 19th at 10 am.**

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<td>PM Only: M-TH 12:30-3:30 pm</td>
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**IMPORTANT:** We run our school during typical school hours. Therefore, we never hold class on Friday afternoon.

**Covid Information**
Read the most current policies and information about Covid precautions at Wonderbloom.

**Application Process**

**STEP ONE:** Before submitting your application, navigate to our [online shop](#) and purchase the Application Fee. One for each student.

**STEP TWO:** Read the Application Information document. (You’re doing that right now!)

**STEP THREE:** Apply online through Brightwheel. *Link active on Jan 19 at 10am.*

**What’s Next?**

1. You will be notified via Brightwheel within one week of your application if your request has been accepted. At that time, you will receive enrollment forms and an invoice within Brightwheel.
2. Return your enrollment forms and complete your payments within 7 days of being notified of application acceptance. A $100 enrollment fee is due with your enrollment form - this payment is non-refundable.
3. After enrollment forms and payment are received, we will be in contact with you about upcoming events and information.
4. Tuition is due on the first day of each month, starting the month your child begins attending.

**Volunteering (For Academic Yr)**

- In-School Volunteering. Wonderbloom requires a family representative to volunteer in the school 3 hours per month. Parent participation makes our school stronger by helping to bridge the gap between home and school. In addition, it helps build a community of support for each other. **IN SCHOOL VOLUNTEERING IS ON HOLD DURING THE PANDEMIC**
Committee Volunteering. Wonderbloom requires families to serve on a school committee. Research shows that families who have a support network are less stressed, can parent better, and as a result have healthier children. Committees help with such things as events and community building. Participation is based on parent availability. Time commitments vary, but we anticipate an average of 2 hours per month of participation.

Sample Daily Schedule

**AM Green, M-F**
- 8:30 Drop off
- 8:30 Guided Exploration in East Classroom
- 9:00 Art/Mud Kitchen
- 9:30 Snack provided
- 10:00 Yoga/Mindfulness and Sensory Tables
- 10:30 Storytime
- 11:00 Guided Exploration in West Classroom
- 11:30 Pick Up

**PM Yellow, M-Th**
- 12:30 Drop off
- 12:30 Guided Exploration in West Classroom + Homesteading
- 1:00 Yoga/Mindfulness
- 1:30 Storytime
- 2:00 Snack provided
- 2:30 Art/Mud Kitchen
- 3:00 Guided Exploration in East Classroom
- 3:30 Pick Up

**Full Day Blue**
- 8:30 Drop off
- 8:30 Homesteading
- 9:00 Yoga and Sensory Tables
- 9:30 Storytime
- 10:00 Art and Mud Kitchen
- 10:30 Snack Provided
- 11:00 Guided Exploration in East Classroom

**Summer Calendar**

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<td>July 12-16 Ooey Gooey Camp</td>
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<td>June 1-4 No School, Teacher Inservice</td>
<td>July 19-22 Bees &amp; Blooms Camp</td>
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<td>June 7-11 Roots &amp; Branches Camp</td>
<td>July 23 No School Pioneer Day Observed</td>
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<td>June 14-18 Wacky Weather Camp</td>
<td>July 26-30 Land &amp; Sea Camp</td>
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<td>June 21-25 Interesting Insects Camp</td>
<td>Aug 2-6 Nocturnal Ninjas Camp</td>
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<td>June 28-July 2 Wonderful Water</td>
<td>Aug 9-13 Flowers &amp; Fruit Camp</td>
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Academic Year Calendar

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<td>Sept 1 First Day of Classes</td>
<td>Jan 17 No School, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Day</td>
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<td>Feb 21 No School, President’s Day</td>
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<td>Sept 23 Early Release @ 11:30am; No PM class</td>
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<td>Mar 28-Apr 1 No School, Spring Break</td>
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<td>Nov 23 Early Release @ 11:30am; No PM class</td>
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<td>Nov 24-26 No School, Thanksgiving Holiday</td>
<td>May 27 Last Day of School</td>
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<td>Dec 20-31 No School, Winter Break</td>
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Policies

1. Financial Agreement.
   a. I agree to enroll in autopay on Brightwheel and make sure tuition is paid by the first day of each month.
   b. Payments are due on the first of the month for that month’s tuition or fees (ie: Payment is due on October 1st for October tuition). A late fee of $50 will be incurred on the 3rd day of the month after payment is not received. If payment is not completed by the 5th day of the month, the child’s enrollment will be terminated.
   c. I have two weeks after my child’s first day of school to change my child’s class option without a penalty. A change fee of $50 will be incurred if I wish to change my child’s class option (ie: days of week or times of day) after the two weeks have passed.
   d. If I agreed to “In-school volunteering” and I don’t fulfill my hours, I will be charged $18 per hour for each hour I missed. This payment is added to the invoice and due the 1st of the month.

2. Refund/Withdrawal Policy
   a. The $30 application fee, the $100 enrollment fee, “Last Month’s Tuition” and $100 supply fee are non-refundable.
   b. I may withdraw my student at any time, but I will not be refunded for payment already submitted. (For example, if I pay on October 1st for October, and I withdraw my student on October 15, I will not be refunded for the remaining days in October.) WE RECOMMEND NOTIFYING US OF WITHDRAWAL 30 DAYS PRIOR TO STUDENT’S LAST DAY.
   c. If my child misses class, there are no make-up days. Children cannot attend a class they are not enrolled in.

3. Dismissal Policy. If, at any time, in the opinion of the director of Wonderbloom, continued enrollment of my child in the preschool classes is deemed detrimental to my child’s health, progress, or to other children’s health or progress or for any other reason in the discretion of the Director, he/she may be dismissed from the program with a refund according to the refund policy.

4. Individualized Education Policy. If, at any time, in the opinion of the Director of Wonderbloom or myself, my child needs an individualized education strategy to more fully participate in class, then a meeting will be set to discuss options. If an individual aide is needed for my child, I will pay $35/hr in addition to tuition.

5. Child Pick-Up Policy. I understand that my child shall only be released for pick-up to approved guardians.

6. Emergency Policy. In the event of an emergency, I authorize employees of Wonderbloom to secure such emergency assistance and/or provide emergency medical transportation for my child as deemed necessary should they be unable to reach the emergency contacts provided or should there be insufficient time to reach these contacts. I understand that payment for medical services is my sole responsibility and agree to indemnify and reimburse Wonderbloom for the same.

7. Risk and Liability Release
   a. I am aware of the risks inherent in my child’s participation in Wonderbloom activities and accept all risk to my child’s belongings or person in the form of loss or damage. This includes any injury or illness, including death, that may result from such participation and I hereby release the fullest extent permitted by the law Wonderbloom and its staff and volunteers from any and all liability for any and all claims and causes of action for loss or damage to my child’s property and for any and all injury and illness, including death, to my child that may result from or occur during participation in Wonderbloom activities.
   b. I agree to indemnify and hold Wonderbloom and any other person or entity associated with Wonderbloom harmless from liability for any and all claims, including the injury or death of any person(s) and damage to property, that may result from my child’s negligent or intentional act or omission while participating in any activity at Wonderbloom.

8. Legal Fees. In the event it is necessary for Wonderbloom to obtain an attorney to enforce the terms of the Enrollment Contract, with or without suit, I, the signee, agree to pay all costs and attorney’s fees associated with such a collection.

COVID POLICIES, in effect until further notice.
1. If, at any time, Wonderbloom is required to limit group sizes or cease operations by the government, landlord, licensing agency, or Board of Directors due to a pandemic, Wonderbloom will make reasonable adaptations to accommodate regulations on attendance. Wonderbloom may need to temporarily place a hold on students' attendance in order to abide by the class size restrictions. If Wonderbloom has placed a student on hold, parents may request a 50% of the cost of missed class. Message us through Brightwheel to request this partial refund. Wonderbloom will prioritize student attendance in the following order: Full Day students, Seniority based on Application Time and Date
3. During closure or when a student's attendance is on hold, Wonderbloom will implement a distance learning method of education in place of on-site learning.
4. Wonderbloom will comply with current Office of Child Care regulations concerning safety surrounding the pandemic. Wonderbloom will notify families in writing of current Office of Child Care regulations (ie: health screening of children upon arrival, only children and staff allowed in the building, or etc). Families are required to comply with regulations. If families refuse to comply with regulations, they may be dismissed from the program without a refund.
5. A child will be restricted from entering the building if they fail the health screening upon arrival or if they have had any covid symptoms within the last 24 hours. A child will be sent home if they develop illness symptoms while at school.
6. Families are required to contact the school if the child or any household member has covid symptoms. Families are encouraged to get tested for covid if the student or household member has had covid symptoms for more than 24 hours.
7. Families are informed of any covid symptoms of students or household members of students that are in their child’s class. No identifying information is used.
8. Coronavirus/COVID-19 is an extremely contagious virus that spreads easily through person-to-person contact. COVID-19 can lead to severe illness, personal injury, permanent disability, and death. Participating in Wonderbloom programs could increase the risk of contracting COVID-19. Though Wonderbloom will take reasonable precautions, Wonderbloom in no way warrants that COVID-19 infection will not occur through participation in their programs.

2021-2022 Application Information