



# **SOUTH GATE PRESCHOOL**

## SOUTH GATE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

### **STATEMENT OF PURPOSE**

South Gate Preschool is one of the many ministries supported by the South Gate United Methodist Church for the community of Lincoln, Nebraska. The Preschool has been in existence since 1991 and is Licensed by the State of Nebraska. We provide a quality early childhood program to meet the needs of the very young child.

### **PHILOSOPHY OF LEARNING**

Our program is designed to enrich each child's life spiritually, physically, socially, intellectually and emotionally. We believe that children learn best through play. This builds confidence, encourages creativity and a love for school while they learn about a variety of things in an age-appropriate way. We weave Christian faith-based concepts, activities, and songs into our teaching. During the Christian holidays we will be incorporating the significance of these special events into our lessons. We also strive to create an atmosphere of acceptance in which individual needs of each child are considered and in which the child can grow and flourish under the guidance of qualified teachers.

### **PRESCHOOL ACTIVITIES**

- Activities are planned to give each child a sense of confidence and help your child to learn and grow at their own rate. Each class is specifically structured for the developmental age level of the child enrolled.
- South Gate Preschool is dedicated to nurturing the whole child—their emotional, physical, social, and intellectual needs—in a positive, accepting environment.
- Emphasis is placed on learning through active involvement and self-discovery as children participate in art, music, stories, dramatic play, group discussions, large muscle play, and a variety of outside enrichment experiences.
- Reading and math readiness skills are developed through educationally oriented material and participation in group activities designed to meet the needs of each child at their level of development.
- Self-esteem is enhanced as children explore their imaginations, share ideas, make choices, and learn through trial and error in an open-ended, nonjudgmental atmosphere.

### **CURRICULUM**

Block area	Creative Art	Dramatic Play	Books/Listening Center
Science	Pre-Math	Sensory/Water Table	Music/Creative Movement
Large Muscle Activities	Manipulative Area	Pre-Writing/Language Skills	Theme-Related Centers

## **CLASS SCHEDULE and TUITION for the 2021 – 2022 School Year**

Depending on which classroom your child is placed in, the class will be in session from either 8:45 a.m. - 11:20 a.m. or 8:55 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. You will be notified the week before school starts on the exact start and end time of your child's class, as well as which class your child is being placed into and the name of their class.

### **4 and 5- Year-Old Class**

Children must be 4 years old by July 31<sup>st</sup>  
Staff/Child Ratio 1:9

Option 1: Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
Tuition: \$175.00 per month

Option 2: Tuesday and Thursday  
Tuition: \$130.00 per month

Option 3: Monday – Friday  
Tuition: \$300.00 per month

### **3 and 4- Year- Old Class**

Children must be 3 years old by July 31<sup>st</sup>  
Staff/Child Ratio 1:9

Option 1: Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
Tuition: \$175.00 per month

Option 2: Tuesday and Thursday  
Tuition: \$130.00 per month

### **18 Months and 2- Year- Old Class**

Children must be 18 months by July 31<sup>st</sup>  
Staff/Child Ratio 1:6

Option 1: Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
Tuition: \$187.00 per month

Option 2: Tuesday and Thursday  
Tuition: \$137.00 per month

Registration Fee: \$60.00 non-refundable registration fee for first child.  
\$30.00 for each additional child from the same family.

## **IMMUNIZATION POLICY**

South Gate Preschool requires that all children enrolled in our program be current on all recommended vaccinations.

## **QUESTIONS**

Call 402-489-7302 or email questions to [preschool@southgateumc.org](mailto:preschool@southgateumc.org)  
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