

Administrative Staff

DIRECTOR, April Hemmerlein - Valparaiso University, BS, Elementary Education, MA Nat'l Lewis Univ., Curriculum & Instruction, public and preschool experience.
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Teaching Staff

Kathia Anderson - Dr. Gillemeister Medical Technology School, Germany, BS, public and preschool experience, NAEYC Conference
Liz Anthis - Oakland University, BA, Sociology, literary volunteer, public school experience
Megan Archibald - preschool experience, church youth program experience
Gretchen Armstrong - Public Pre-K and preschool experience
Amparo Barba - Universidad Autonoma San Luis Potosi, BS, Accounting, preschool experience
Susan Croft - Brigham Young University, Management, preschool experience
Mily Del Prado - Universidad Tangamanga, Mexico, Engineering, preschool experience
Karen Duncan - University of Strathclyde/Craigie College of Education, BA, Primary Education, public and preschool experience
Nancy Edwards - Indiana University, BS, MOPS childcare experience, public school experience
Cheryl Farrar - Northeastern Illinois University, BA, Elementary and Early Childhood Education, preschool and kindergarten experience
 Lindsey Fitzsimmons - Ball State University, BA, Social Work, Indiana University, MS, Education Counseling, public school experience
Sarah Gill - Royal Society of Health Diploma, UK, Nursery Nursing Examining Board, public and preschool experience
Pam Hildebrand - Child Development Associate, Ball State Early Education Conference, NAEYC Conference, preschool experience
Sheri Hinckley - Brigham Young University, BS, Elementary Education, public & preschool experience
Ginny Histon - Child Development Associate, Public and private preschool experience

Jenelle Kramb - Indiana University, BA, Communications, preschool & public school experience
Anneliese Marquis - Indiana University, BS, Public Affairs, preschool experience
Shelley McAlister - Purdue University, BA, Psychology & Special Ed., public & preschool experience, First Steps, NAEYC Conference
Angela Potts - Ball State, Elementary Ed, Child Development Associate, NAEYC Conference, private and preschool experience
Emily Schumm - Purdue University, BA, Elementary Education, computer endorsement, public and preschool experience
Christy Simonton - University of Dayton, BS, Psychology & Sociology, Marshall University, MS, Psychology, Ivy Tech Community College adjunct faculty
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Librarian - Sheri Hinckley
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First Presbyterian Preschool

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**First
Presbyterian
Preschool**
First for Early Education
A Registered Childcare Ministry
Established in 1954

**CELEBRATING
69 YEARS
OF
EDUCATION**



Community registration begins
February 13, 2023

(812) 376-6277

Kindergarten readiness is a strength of our preschool

Activities are planned to help children grow physically, mentally, emotionally, and socially. Our daily routine has five main time blocks:

Work Time
Activity Time
Small Group Time
Circle Time
Music & Movement, Minds in Motion, and Library classes



The High Scope, cognitively oriented curriculum, helps children become better thinkers. We are proud of this program and encourage parents to visit our classes.

A positive self-image is our priority. Planned activities help the children acquire:

Decision Making Skills
Social Interaction
Listening Skills
Small Muscle Coordination
Large Muscle Development

There are two teachers in each classroom. Children must be independently toileting before the first day of school. Exceptions will be made for 2's, Y3's and special needs children.

All are welcome

First Presbyterian Preschool is a ministry of First Presbyterian Church. Children of all faith traditions are welcome. All children, regardless of religious, family, socioeconomic, racial or ethnic background, are embraced and feel comfortable in our environment. Our student population mirrors the diversity of our community including children with special needs and children with limited English proficiency. Our goal is to meet each child's individual needs within the general education setting.

Enrollment information

Enrollment is on a yearly basis. Class fees are paid monthly. The annual tuition is divided into 10 payments so that payment amounts are the same each month.

In addition to a world class preschool education, fees also include weekly Music & Movement classes, Minds in Motion gym classes and Library.

Preschool highlights

Music class: Focus on rhythm, music and instruments
Minds in Motion class: Focus on body spatial awareness and coordination
Library: Weekly story time with books to check out
STEAM Area: Outside area designated for activities focused on science, technology, engineering, arts & math

Wee Care Childcare

Wee Care is a quality child care program that provides a structured and nurturing environment. It is available everyday before and after school. Families can add Wee Care time onto a preschool day. This program is for children aged 30 months-5 years for \$6.00/hour, 7:00am-5:30pm.

Financial assistance

First Presbyterian Preschool offers a financial assistance program supported by donations from church members, patrons, and community organizations. Scholarships are available on a first come, first served basis. Full and partial scholarships are based on verified financial needs. Contact the preschool office concerning applying for scholarship assistance or to make donations to the program.



Preschool Classes and Fees

Preschool classes meet August through May. Vacation and emergency schedules follow those of the Bartholomew Consolidated School Corporation.

Registration fee: \$175 due at time of registration
2nd class registration fee (if applicable) is \$150.

Class Offerings and Fees:

Two's - Children must be 2 by 8-1-23

MW/F 9:00-11:30am \$225 x 10
TTH 9:00-11:30am \$150 x 10

Young Three's - Children must be 3 by 2-1-24

MW/F 9:00-11:30am \$225 x 10
TTH 9:00-11:30am \$150 x 10

Three's - Children must be 3 by 8-1-23

MW/F 9:00am-noon \$225 x 10
TTH 9:00am-noon \$150 x 10

Young 4's - Children must be 4 by 2-1-24

MW/F 9:00am-noon \$225 x 10
TTH 9:00am-noon \$150 x 10

Pre-K - Children must be 4 by 8-1-23

*M-TH 9:00am-noon \$300 x 10
(*There are three of these classes.)

Multi-age Class

MW 9:00am-11:30am \$110/mo.
TTH 9:00am-11:30am \$110/mo.
F 9:00am-11:30am \$55/mo.

Pre-K enrichment classes are available in Math and Reading from 12:30-2:30pm. Science is available on Fridays from 9:00-11:30am.