

Philosophy

KiDSCOR Early Learning Program, an early childhood education program designed for ages two to five years, supports each child's spiritual, physical, social, emotional and cognitive growth. The High Scope early childhood curriculum is implemented in the program. Through a variety of developmentally appropriate experiences in art, music and movement, science, literature and math, children learn what they need to know and be able to do for successful lifelong learning.

KiDSCOR ELP emphasizes helping each child discover his/her interests and abilities. The teaching staff provides a warm, nurturing environment where each child can grow in confidence knowing that she/he is safe and loved.

Classes are large enough to provide children with opportunities to make friends, and small enough to give each child individual attention.

Learning what it means to be a Christian is incorporated into weekly chapel times and throughout the school day as teachers expose the children to prayers, Bible stories and songs. Christian principles are woven into the fabric of every day and every interaction among children and adults.

VISION —

KiDSCOR ELP supports children's growth in academic, spiritual and social development.

MISSION —

KiDSCOR ELP provides opportunities for children to learn in a loving, accepting, faith-based community.

VALUES—

Positive self esteem, inclusivity, active learning, Christian community and school readiness.

GOALS —

- Support open communication with and provide appropriate resources for families.
- Provide a developmentally appropriate learning environment for children.
- Weave Christian principles into daily interactions.
- Promote ongoing professional development among staff members.



KidsCOR

Early Learning Program Preschool & Children's Day Out

A weekday ministry of

The United Methodist Church of the Resurrection

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*All children are welcome regardless of race,
color, religion, national origin, ancestry,
physical handicap or gender.*

*Train a child in the way he should go and
when he is old, he will not turn from it.*
— Proverbs 22:6

Chapel Time

KiDSCOR Early Learning Program incorporates weekly chapel times into our faith-based program. Chapel time consists of a Bible story, prayer and music.

The children pray before snack and lunch times.

Curriculum

KiDSCOR Early Learning Program implements the High Scope curriculum throughout the preschool, from 2-year-old – 5-year-old classes.

Things to look for when choosing a preschool for your child, all of which are incorporated into our preschool:

- A child development curriculum,
- Low child/adult ratio,
- Teachers trained in early childhood development,
- Director support and in-service training,
- Involvement of parents as partners,
- Sensitivity to non-educational needs of children and their families, and
- Developmentally appropriate evaluation procedures.

NAEYC Accreditation

KiDSCOR ELP is accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children. NAEYC's national, voluntary accreditation system has set professional standards for early childhood education programs, and helps families identify high-quality programs for their young children.

Preschool Information

Available on the church website —
www.cor.org/kidscorELP

2017-18 Schedule

Children's Day Out Classes

2 Teachers/10 Children

- Tuesday, Wednesday **or** Thursday
9 am – 1 pm \$145/Month

Two-Year-Old (Must be 2 by Aug. 31, 2017)

2½-Year-Old (Must be 2 by Feb. 28, 2017)

Preschool Classes

2 Teachers to 16 Children

Independence in toilet training required

Three-Year-Old (Three by August 31, 2017)

- Tuesday and Thursday
9 am – 1 pm
Tuition: \$215/Month

- Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
9 am – 1 pm
Tuition: \$270/Month

Four-Year-Old (Four by August 31, 2017)

- Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
9 am – 1 pm
Tuition: \$270/Month

Five-Year-Old (Five by August 31, 2017)

- Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
9 am – 1 pm
Tuition: \$290/Month

Tuition is due by the tenth of each month. Tuition checks should be placed in the mailbox outside the ELP office. Make tuition checks payable to KiDSCOR Early Learning Program. Tuition may be paid in multiple months or in full. There is no snack fee or supply fee, these are included in the tuition.

Children's Day Out

CDO is a one day a week introduction to preschool for 2 and 2 ½ year olds on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday.

CDO includes large group and small group activities, snack, story time, art experiences, outdoor play, work time (children's choice) and lunch. Materials and snacks are provided.

Important Preschool Information

KiDSCOR Early Learning Program Connecters

KiDSCOR ELP is fortunate to have a very active group of parents interested in serving the preschool. The group meets regularly and plans teacher luncheons, the annual pizza party and other special events for KiDSCOR ELP.

Birthdays

Birthdays can be celebrated in a special way at KiDSCOR ELP. Because of children's allergies and nutritional concerns, birthday treats cannot be eaten in the classroom. You are welcome to provide a birthday bag for each child to take home on the day your child's birthday is celebrated. No balloons, please. Families are invited to donate a book to the birthday child's classroom library.

Holidays

KiDSCOR ELP is closed the week of Thanksgiving, two weeks at Christmas, and a week for spring break in March. A preschool calendar will be given to families during orientation.

Cancellation of Classes

If the Blue Valley Schools are cancelled due to inclement weather, KiDSCOR ELP will be closed.

Photos

Pictures of the children will be taken throughout the school year. Most of these pictures will be for classroom use only. However, occasionally a picture may be used for information for The Church of the Resurrection, such as a directory, or in promotional purposes for KiDSCOR ELP. Each parent will be asked to complete a photo release form.

Clothing

Children should come to school in clothes that they can play in and manage independently in the bathroom. Please send warm clothes, mittens and hats for outside play in cold weather and write your child's name on everything that comes to school.

Everyday Necessities

Every preschool day a child will bring a backpack/bag with a complete change of clothing — pants, shirt and socks. Be sure to check your child's backpack every day. The day's work and notes from KiDSCOR ELP will be sent to families in the backpack/bag.

Children will bring their lunch and drink in a lunch box with the child's name clearly marked. Ice packs will keep lunch chilled until lunch time.

Please send peanut-free food items.

Conferences

The teachers at KiDSCOR ELP are available to talk with you about your child at your request. We do ask that you make an appointment to allow time and privacy for meaningful conversation with your child's teachers. The director and assistant director are also available if you would like them to be included.

Two conferences for the preschool children will be scheduled during the school year—one in early fall and one in the spring. The fall conference is a "get acquainted" opportunity for parents and teachers to share information about how their preschooler is adjusting to the school environment. The spring conference is for evaluation of each child's growth from both the school and the parents' perspective.

Change of Information

Changes in address, phone number, emergency contact number or people approved to pick up your child should be made in writing and submitted to the KiDSCOR ELP office.

Safety/Security

Drop-off and Pick-up Procedures

Parents are required to escort their children to the appropriate classrooms and sign their children in using the sign-in sheet. If you want to pick up or bring your child to school in the middle of the day, please come to the office. We will escort your child to and from the classroom when needed. All visitors are required to come to the office before proceeding to a classroom. *Please remember to keep the fire lanes free for those who have special needs.*

Arrival and Departure

CDO/Preschool Hours: 9 am — 1 pm

Teachers will open the doors to the classroom promptly at the time school is scheduled to begin. We ask parents to wait in the hallway with your child until the door is opened. Teachers are preparing the day's activities before school begins, and they may be out of the classroom. Please be prompt in picking up your child at the end of the day. A late pick-up fee could be assessed after 1:05 pm.

Security

Doors to KiDSCOR ELP hall will be opened five minutes before classes begin, and are locked about 15 minutes afterward. If you need to enter at a time when the doors are locked, use the phone next to the doors to call the Early Learning Program number listed, and someone will let you in.

Sign-in Procedures

Parents must sign in their children and leave a contact number on the sign-in sheet every day for each child they bring to school. Please leave a phone number where you can be reached for the day. Please let teachers know if someone else will be picking up the child. Alternate pick-up information needs to be in writing and on file with the Early Learning Program office.

Medical/Allergy

Illness

If your child is ill and not able to attend class, please call KiDSCOR ELP at 913-544-0212. Children may not attend when they are ill, overly tired, coughing excessively, have had a fever or diarrhea within 24 hours or have an unexplained rash.

These recommendations are made by the Johnson County Health Department. If your child should develop any of the above-mentioned symptoms while at KiDSCOR ELP, you will be notified and asked to come pick up your child. Please sign in each day with a contact number, and keep your emergency numbers up to date in the office.

Allergies

KiDSCOR ELP is a peanut/nut-free environment.

It is imperative that we be informed of all allergies your child has. A list of children with allergies will be posted in the classroom to keep all staff aware of allergic conditions. Parents are responsible for sending a snack if their child cannot eat the food being served for snack on that day. Snack menus will be posted outside each classroom. Please be sure to fill out an allergy packet if your child has allergies.

Medication

If it is necessary for medication to be administered to your child at preschool, a state medicine form must be on file for an over-the-counter or prescription drug. A doctor's note must accompany a prescription drug. All medications must be in their original container labeled with your child's name.

Dropping from Class

A 30-day written notice to your child's teacher and the office is required for any changes to your child's preschool or CDO schedule. May tuition is nonrefundable.