



**New extended full day hours:
8 AM - 6 PM!**

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“On a personal note, as you know Bubbles has always had a special place in my heart but even more so after these last two years with Zoe in the outstanding preschool program. You may remember that when I applied I wrote that I was looking for a place for Zoe, my middle child, where she could spread her wings and soar—a place she could call her own. When I look at Zoe’s photo from her first day last year and her recent photos taken at school, it’s my heart that soars. Her spirit has grown exponentially. In the words of Miss Lina, her imagination is bananas, and then some. Her creativity is exceptional. She’s grown socially and her kind, sweet manner just flows out of her.

As you know, it takes a village to raise a child and I can’t begin to thank you enough for being a part of ours. The care, guidance, kindness, gentleness, love, and opportunities in art, music, drama and open play that all of you at Bubbles have offered to Zoe have contributed greatly to the amazing girl she has become and will continue becoming.

Thank you for treating my family like family and for all you’ve done for us these past two years. Someday, when Zoe has built her first skyscraper and she’s asking me for guidance on her ribbon-cutting ceremony speech, I’ll tell her, “Why don’t you start with, ‘When I was in preschool, I used to build towers and castles and all sorts of amazing things and because no one ever told me I couldn’t, I just kept building.’” Thank you for building Zoe’s foundation.”

*– Dana Carmen, mother of preschool graduates,
Zoe and Kylie*

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Arts Integrated Preschool

2.5–5
years

*Open up a world of creativity,
exploration and imagination for your
child in a nurturing environment
where they will thrive!*



Curriculum

Bubbles Academy's educational philosophy of arts-integration combines content and skills taken from arts practices including dance, music, theatre and visual arts, with developmentally appropriate, early childhood learning standards and socio-emotional skills. We foster a vibrant learning environment that respects and values the needs of the individual learner in order to create a sense of collaboration and community.



Our curriculum takes children through their concentric circles of Self, Others and the Natural World to form connections in learning. This experience provides every child with the knowledge, skills, compassion and self-confidence necessary for kindergarten readiness and to succeed in collaborative achievement. The curriculum is a fully arts-integrated learning program in which children develop skills and knowledge of numeracy, literacy, music, arts, social-connectedness, and moral character.

A typical preschool day includes the following:

- Open Play
- Circle Time
- Learning Centers
- Snack and Story
- Music and Movement, Visual Art, Drama or Yoga
- Small Group Literacy and Numeracy
- Project Exploration
- End of Day Closing Circle

Using an arts-integrated approach, the children work towards mastering emotional and social development, physical skills such as fine, gross and sensorimotor as well as the ability to self-regulate. Other targeted skills include adaptive social behavior such as appreciating diversity, mastering self-efficacy, self-control and emotional expression.



Teacher's Role

With a maximum of 6:1 student to teacher ratio, our teachers are truly attuned to each child's individual needs and developmental abilities. The teacher's role in the classroom is that of facilitator and co-explorer; offering open-ended questions, child-centered activities, reflection and positive discipline to provide solid preparation for life-long love of learning. Bubbles Academy's team has a rich background in the fine arts and early childhood education training.

Nature Playground

It's a fact that play in nature is essential for children's physical, cognitive, emotional and social development. This is what prompted us to create an outdoor classroom and Nature Playground, the centerpiece of community building at our Bucktown location. Preschool students enjoy daily exploration time on the Nature Playground directly adjacent to Bubbles Academy.

Programs

Bubbles Academy offers multiple class levels to support each child's preschool and kindergarten readiness, now in a full-year program! All of our preschool programs now run for a traditional school year (Sept-May) plus a summer semester (June - Aug).

Parents have the option of enrolling their child in two (Tues/Thurs), three (Mon/Weds/Fri), or five days a week for half day or full day. Children must attend their selected schedule consistently throughout the course of the academic year.

PRESCHOOL THREES

This program is for children who are 3 on or before September 1st of the current school year. Half day AM, lunch buddies, and full day options available.

PRE-KINDERGARTEN

This program is for children who will be entering a kindergarten program the following academic year. Half day AM, lunch buddies, and full day options available.

PRESCHOOL OLDER TWOS

Mon/Weds OR Tues/Thurs from 9:15 - 11:15am

The program is designed to help children ages 2.5-3.5 bridge the gap between Preparing for Preschool and Preschool. Tuition: \$500/month

Admissions

We offer rolling admissions throughout the year, pending availability in each class program. Priority consideration is given to those students who have completed our Preschool Older Two's program.

In order to get a better understanding of our program, philosophy and facility, we welcome you to schedule a tour with us!

Please call or email us to schedule!
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Tuition

2021-2022 School Year

Tuition may be paid monthly or annually. A 4% discount applies to full-year payments. Upon enrollment, a \$400 non-refundable enrollment fee is assessed. Tuition Payments accepted by check or ACH withdrawal. Credit card payments accepted with added 3% fee. 30 day written notice is required for withdrawal from the program.

HALF DAY

8:00 AM - 11:45 AM

5 Days \$1800 monthly

3 Days \$1150 monthly
(Monday/Wednesday/Friday)

2 Days \$800 monthly
(Tuesday/Thursday)

FULL DAY

8 AM - 5 PM or 6 PM

5 Days \$2100 monthly

3 Days \$1400 monthly
(Monday/Wednesday/Friday)

2 Days \$975 monthly
(Tuesday/Thursday)

* Tuition pricing through August 2022

LUNCH BUDDIES

Add a healthy catered lunch from Gourmet Gorilla to your child's half-day preschool enrollment, extending pick-up time to 1 PM. Additional cost: \$20/day, available for monthly or semester booking