

USD 232
Preschool Peer Program Information
2010-2011

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Location:	Belmont Elementary School 5805 Belmont Avenue Shawnee, Kansas 66226
Program Description:	<p>The preschool program was developed to provide inclusive settings for young children with disabilities and developmental delays to be educated. It is the vision of the USD 232 Early Childhood program, in cooperation with families, to create enthusiasm for life long learning where every child can learn in a rich and playful educational environment.</p> <p>Preschool classrooms are staffed by teachers who have experience in typical early childhood education settings and at least one para-educator. Special education staff will work with the early childhood teacher to design, deliver, monitor and evaluate effective services for children with individual education plans (IEPs). The program strives to keep class sizes small (generally no more than 12-15 students) and maintain a ratio of 50% children with disabilities and/or developmental delays, and 50% children who are typically developing.</p> <p>While in preschool, each child will participate in no-cost developmental screenings. This will provide teachers and parents with information about development and help with lesson planning. If a screening reveals concerns about a child's development, he/she may participate in a developmental evaluation to determine eligibility and need for special services.</p>
Days, Times:	<p><u>Sunflower Preschool</u> For children who turn 3 by August 31, classes will be held M-W-F from 9:00-11:30 a.m. For children who turn 4 by August 31, classes will be held M-F afternoons from 12:30-3:30 p.m.</p> <p><u>Sounds Around Preschool</u> Sounds Around classes will be held for children who turn 3 by August 31 either M-W or T-Th from 9:00-11:30 a.m. Sounds Around classes for children who turn 4 by August 31 will be held M-W-F from 12:30-3:30 p.m.</p>
Who is Eligible:	Children who reside within the school district boundaries, are 3-5 years of age and potty trained. By state law, children who are eligible for kindergarten will not be accepted (any child who turns 5 on or before August 31).
Cost:	See Fee Schedule flyer
Transportation:	Not provided by the district
How to Enroll:	Complete the enrollment application and send with your \$50 enrollment fee to Countryside Learning Center.