

Classroom/Session/Cost

The Hebron Early Childhood Preschool offers two options:

- Half day classes; 4 days/week; **\$2,700 yr** (subject to change)
- Full day classes; 5 days/week ; **\$6,750/yr** (subject to change)



Note: Reduced tuition seats are also available through Hebron's School Readiness Grant' for income eligible families. **Income eligible slots are limited!**

- To view the current reduced tuition Fee Schedule, please visit: https://www.ctoec.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/GP_B-01_Fee-Schedule_Final-2022.pdf

Preschool Hours

Half Day Program:

AM Session

8:45 a.m. – 11:10 a.m., M/T/Th/F

PM Session

12:05 p.m. – 2:30 p.m., M/T/Th/F

Full Day Program:

8:45 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., M/T/W/Th/F

For Before and After School Care - Contact the Hebron Parks & Recreation Department

Application Process and Information

- Ongoing Applications Available
- February Income Eligible Meetings
- February 28 Lottery Application Due
- March Lottery Pulled
- Mar/Apr Parents Notified
- May Registration Information sent to accepted students
- June Registration paperwork due to secure placement
- August Class letters mailed
- August Open House
- August First day of school

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Program Philosophy

The Hebron Early Childhood Center is a NAEYC accredited program and believes that all children are competent learners and capable of positive outcomes. This rigorous national certification ensures a program maintains the highest standards of program quality for its students. We believe in providing a loving, nurturing, and natural play environment for all children that supports each child in developing his or her cognitive, creative, and social abilities. This is achieved through teacher interaction, guidance of age-appropriate play, exploration and discovery, carefully chosen materials, and ongoing observation and assessment of skills to inform instruction.

Our program supports learning in all developmental domains in an environment that is appropriate to the developmental needs of all children. This includes supports and services to children and families to ensure that all children reach their potential for success in the school community.

The Hebron Early Childhood Center is an inclusive program, servicing students with disabilities, income eligible students, as well as full tuition students.



Program Eligibility

For admittance to either program, children must be residents of the town of Hebron and turn either 3- or 4-years-old on or before December 31, 2023. Children who are age-eligible for kindergarten (children who turn 5 years-old on or before December 31, 2023 are not eligible for Preschool.

Lottery Procedures

- Each school year, the lottery application is provided on our website or by request.
- Applications that are returned by the deadline and meet the eligibility guidelines are entered into the lottery.
- The district will hold a public lottery in the Spring. The date will be advertised. Attendance is not required to obtain a slot.
- The district will place students based on slot availability.
- Parents will be notified of their child's acceptance or status on the waitlist.
- Registration paperwork will be sent out and must be returned before the last day of the current school year.
- Children on the waitlist will be contacted if/when slots become available.

Curriculum

The Hebron Early Childhood Center follows the Early Learning and Development Standards established by the Connecticut Office of Early Childhood. Weekly themes are integrated into different curricular activities throughout the school day. We support play-based and language rich classrooms. "Play is a child's work" (Jean Piaget). The children are encouraged to use their language to engage their peers and initiate, enter, and sustain play. To view detailed information about Connecticut's Early Learning and Development Standards please visit the state of Connecticut's Office of Early Childhood website which provides this information:
<http://www.ct.gov/oec/lib/oec/earlycare/elds/ctelds.pdf>

Daily Schedule

The following is an example of a typical day:

- Circle time
- Specials
- Learning centers at the table/play time in the centers
- Clean up
- Transition time
- Snack
- Outside play
- Full day classes have lunch and rest times.