

## **Preschool Registration for 2022 – 2023**

Registration for our preschools will be starting in January 2022 for a start in the new school year in September 2022. All registrations are done online through our registration email:

[registration@earlydiscoveries.ca](mailto:registration@earlydiscoveries.ca)

Registrations will be processed in a first-come, first-served system. Please note that the form you fill out above is your request form. Once we have processed your request, we will email a registration form to you. The registration form must be returned by the designated date to hold your child's preschool space. For payment, we will set up automatic withdrawals of the registration fee (non-refundable) along with one month's fees as a deposit on your child's space. The one month's fees are applied to the **last month** of school, June 2023. We then set up monthly withdrawals for September 1, 2022, to May 1, 2023, inclusive.

If your request is not available, we will provide options for you and/or place your child on our waiting list. We will contact you if a space becomes available. A list of our offered classes is at the end of this document. Please note that not all classes may run if we do not have enough children registered in a class.

### **Current Families**

Families who currently have a child registered in one of our programs have the opportunity to register first. Registration for all locations starts on **Monday January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023**. Once registration forms are sent out, you will have **one week** to scan the form back to us or hand in a paper copy at the school. Deposits will be withdrawn on February 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **Alumni Families**

Families who have a child in our program in previous years can register starting **Monday January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023**. Again, once registration forms are sent out, you will have one week to scan the form back to us. Deposits will be withdrawn on February 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **New Families**

Families new to Early Discoveries can register starting **Monday January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023**. As above, once registration forms are sent out, you will have one week to scan the form back to us. Deposit dates will be determined based on when you register your child.

## **Tours**

We can set up tours of our schools for you. We like to offer tours during class times so you can see what happens in the classroom and ask any questions you may have. Please email [info@earlydiscoveries.ca](mailto:info@earlydiscoveries.ca) to request a tour and we will set up a day and time for you. Please note, currently our Kincora location is the only location with afternoon preschool classes running. Therefore, most tours will be during the morning classes.

## **Meet the Teacher**

In September, we hold our Meet the Teacher sessions. This is an opportunity for parents and children to meet the teacher and teacher aide and check out the classroom. The sessions are approximately an hour in length. Days and times will be assigned to you in August.

## **Staggered Entry**

For our 3-year-old classes, we hold staggered entry the first week of school. One half of the class comes for the first hour of class and the other half of the class comes for the second hour of class. This practice helps to reduce some of the separation anxiety your little ones may have.

## **COVID Protocols**

Currently, we do temperature checks and hand sanitizing of the children when they arrive at school. Children do not have to wear masks but are welcome to do so if you want them to. Even before COVID came along, we did a lot of hand washing and sanitizing throughout the day. We clean all the toys and furniture after every class. At our Hawkwood and Kincora locations where we have multiple classes, we have staggered entry and exit times to separate the cohorts as much as possible. We also strongly encourage families to keep sick children at home to limit the spread of germs.

Be sure to check out the Parent Handbook, located on our website. This handbook may have answers to some of your questions. Below is a list of classes we offer. Speciality classes such as Science and Art will be available in September, once we determine where we have the space to operate and have staff in place. Emails will be sent out at that time.

**\*Note: monthly fees remain the same. Our registration fees are increasing (\$300 for Kindergarten and \$125 for preschool)**

**Classes Offered for 2022 – 2023** (Note: most class times have changed)

**Hawkwood**

**Wilbury Gang** (parent & tot, 2-year-olds)

Wednesdays, 8:45 – 9:45, 10:00 – 11:00 (day subject to change)

**3-year-old classes**

Tuesday, Thursday 8:30 – 11:00 or 11:30 – 2:00 (new!)

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30 – 11:00 or 11:30 – 2:00 (new!)

**4-year-old classes**

Tuesday, Thursday 8:40 – 11:10 or 11:40 – 2:10 (new!)

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:40 – 11:10 or 11:40 – 2:10 (new!)

“Extra class”

2:15 – 4:15

(ex. Science, Art, etc.)

**Kincora**

**Wilbury Gang** (parent & tot)

Tuesdays, 8:45 – 9:45, 10:00 – 11:00, 11:45 – 12:45 (new!)

**3-year-olds**

Tuesday and Thursday 8:30 – 11:00 or 11:30 – 2:00 (new!)

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30 – 11:00 or 11:30 – 2:00 (new!)

**4-year-olds**

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:40 – 11:10 or 11:40 – 2:10 (new!)

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:40 – 11:10 or 11:40 – 2:10 (new!)

“Extra class”

2:15 – 4:15

(ex. Science, Art, etc.)

**Kindergarten**

Monday – Thursday

8:45 – 12:00 or 12:45 – 4:00

**Parkdale**

**Wilbury Gang** (parent & tot, 2-year-olds)

Wednesdays, 8:45 – 9:45, 10:00 – 11:00 (new!)

**3-year-old classes**

Tuesday, Thursday 8:30 – 11:00 or 11:30 – 2:00 (new!)

**4-year-old classes**

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30 – 11:00 or 11:30 – 2:00 (new!)

## **Thorncliffe**

### **Stepping Stones (unparented; 2 ½ year olds)**

Monday, Wednesday 8:45 – 10:45 (new!)  
Tuesday, Thursday 8:45 – 10:45 (new!)

### **3-year-olds**

Tuesday, Thursday 8:30 – 11:00 or 11:30 – 2:00 (new!)

### **4-year-olds**

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30 – 11:00 or 11:30 – 2:00 (new!)

## **Redstone**

### **3-year-olds**

Tuesday and Thursday 8:30 – 11:00 or 11:30 – 2:00 (new!)

### **4-year-olds**

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30 – 11:00 or 11:30 – 2:00 (new!)

### **Kindergarten (plus 4 - 5 designated Fridays)**

Monday & Wednesday 8:45 – 3:30

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\*Please keep in mind that even though a preschool class may be Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, for example, you can choose Mondays and Wednesdays only or Wednesdays and Fridays. You are choosing how many days you want your child to attend preschool.

\*\*Your child must be 3 years old by December 31, 2022, to join a 3-year-old class for the school year 2022 – 2023.

\*\*Your child must be 4 years old by December 31, 2022, to join a 4-year-old class for the school year 2022 – 2023.

\*\*Your child must be 5 years old by December 31, 2022, to join a Kindergarten class for the school year 2022 – 2023.

\*\*\*Our Kindergarten programs are funded by the government of Alberta. We charge a one-time, non-refundable registration fee to pay for school supplies and field trips. Please keep in mind the government will only provide funding for one Kindergarten program. If your child is registered in another Kindergarten program, that program will receive the funding and you would have to pay for your child to attend our Kindergarten program.

\*\*\*\*Please note that any classes that are offered are subject to change. We may not run a class if there are not enough children registered for the class.