

For over 40 years, children have enjoyed the unique educational experience of the Chelsea Children's Cooperative Preschool.



The Co-op is a unique place where parents and children learn and explore together with the guidance of compassionate and professional teachers.



Our parents accompany their children on the journey toward social, educational, and community participation and success.

Our families are shareholders in the Cooperative, sharing ownership of our school for each enrollment year.

We hope you will join the Co-op family!



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Serving the community since 1972

Offering programs
for children ages
2 to 5 years old



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Our Philosophy

At Chelsea Children's Cooperative Preschool, we believe it is our responsibility to provide multifaceted opportunities for preschoolers to explore, experiment, and grow in a safe, nurturing, and age appropriate arena. Our program is committed to helping individual children:

- ★ Develop and maintain a positive self-image
- ★ Stimulate creativity and a personal interest and joy in learning and discovery
- ★ Work toward self-sufficiency and independence
- ★ Develop problem solving skills
- ★ Cultivate cooperative social skills with adults and peers in large and small group situations
- ★ Improve coordination, balance, rhythm, strength, endurance, and body awareness as it relates to health, safety, and fitness
- ★ Exercise self-control
- ★ Accept and respect others and their opinions
- ★ Successfully communicate thoughts, feelings, and ideas through language, art, music, dance, etc.
- ★ Become proficient and competent elementary school students from early exposure to educationally sound activities
- ★ Enjoy school

Our school embraces a "learning through play" philosophy. Pre-academic competencies are introduced naturally and subtly, preparing children for later school success in math, science, social studies, reading and writing. Children learn at their own pace while

opportunities for self-expression and self-determination are encouraged. We aim to make a child's first experience comfortable, interesting, and most importantly, fun!



Our Programs

Members are accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis. Scholarships available for qualified families.

3-Year-Old Program

Designed to help children transition comfortably and safely into a school environment while developing a love for school and learning.

AM Class: T/TH

PM Class: M/W*



4-Year-Old Program

Designed to help children develop individual skills and competencies for future school success.

AM Class: M/W/F

PM Class: M/W/F*

**Combined 3 & 4 year olds on M/W*

Young 5's Program

Designed to meet the educational and developmental needs of children who turn five years old by December 1st of the calendar year, but whose parent(s) have chosen not to send them to Kindergarten.



AM Class: M/T/W/TH

2-Year-Old Parent and Child Playgroup

Designed to provide some "preschool experience" for both parent and child to ease the transition into the 3 year old preschool routine.

Friday Mornings

October-January: Session One

January-April: Session Two

Our References

"The Co-op is a great way to develop your Mom-mafia (a term penned by Susan Merrill), those other parents who will keep an eye out for your child, who you can ask about the teachers for the next grade, who will pick up your child from North for you when you run behind at the doctors. These won't be moms/dads your child has never seen before. They will be the moms/dads who helped them on the playground at preschool, who helped them do their art project at preschool, who they saw at circle time singing and laughing with them. Never underestimate the power of community." - Cathie Timberlake



"I feel like I was able to create a bond with mommies and families that my kids will be around for 12 plus years. It was a great experience all around....for the parents, kids, etc. I also do feel like the Co-op members are like a huge extended family..." - Amber Koch

"Being new to the community it was an excellent way to get to know other parents. Also the young 5s program was absolutely wonderful for my son. I knew without a doubt he was ready for kindergarten this year." - Shanda Havill

"My cooperative experience enriched my family's lives in so many ways. There is so much to learn about parenting, I feel blessed to have the friends and mentors I met at Co-op, the parenting skills I learned have been invaluable! My children and I forged some of our closest friendships at preschool and I can honestly say, our life, their childhood would not be what it is today had we never embarked on this Amazing experience!" - Sara James

