

The Morgan County School District (MCSD) Preschool program is committed to helping children prepare for kindergarten and develop into active lifelong learners! Students are excited and motivated to learn through social interactions, age-appropriate activities, and real-life experiences.

The program consists of classrooms located at Morgan Elementary and Mountain Green Elementary. Both preschools serve community-pay students and students experiencing developmental delays between the ages of 3 and 5. Each classroom is staffed with certified teachers and aides with a low student-to-teacher ratio.

Preschool Curriculum

We have an engaging and interactive curriculum that helps all students grow and achieve. Our curriculum is aligned with [Utah State Early Childhood Standards](#) and is research-based.

Our preschool program focuses on the development of the whole child with emphasis on:

- **Social/Emotional Development** (self-awareness, positive self-esteem, independence, and skills that promote positive interactions, such as cooperative play, regulation, and conflict resolution)
- **Literacy** (phonological awareness, alphabet knowledge, book/print awareness, and pre-writing skills)
- **Math** (counting, numeral recognition, patterns, sorting, measurement, and comparison)
- **Science** (scientific process, cause/effect, and experimentation)

Preschool Schedule

- At each school, there are two sessions: a morning and an afternoon session.
- Special education students will attend the number of days outlined in their individual education program (IEP).

Application Process for Community-Pay Students

Students are chosen based on their individual strengths and the needs of the whole class. We are looking for typically developing peers to model age-appropriate language, social/play, and behavioral skills. The goal is to create a balanced class composition in which all students will prosper.

- Applications will be accepted on the first day that school reconvenes in January for the following school year.
- All students will apply/reapply annually for placement consideration.
- The first 40 applicants at each school will participate in the screening process.
- The screening process will be completed by the end of February or the first part of March.
- Each applicant will complete a short screener and participate in a play/interaction observation.
- Notifications of acceptance will be sent within two weeks of the last screening date.
- To apply, students must be three years old by September 1 and able to use the restroom independently.
- Tuition is \$150/month. It can be paid through your school office.

Qualification Process for Students Experiencing Delays

- Children who are experiencing developmental delays in one or more of the following areas may qualify for special education services through the preschool program: physical, cognitive, communication (speech/language), social/emotional, behavioral, or adaptive (self-help).
- Qualifying for special education services will include an assessment process.
- If a child qualifies for special education services, those services may include preschool placement or by-appointment therapy.
- Please contact Morgan Elementary at 801-829-3438 or Mountain Green Elementary at 801-876-3041 if you have concerns about your child's development.
- A child can be referred for assessment after his/her 3rd birthday.
- A child experiencing delays before their 3rd birthday can receive services through Early Intervention at 801-675-1207.
- Preschool services are free if the student qualifies for special education services.
- As outlined in the IEP, special education students may qualify for transportation to and from school.