

# Welcome!

To enroll your child in Little Blessings Preschool, please read the handbook and fill out the forms. Please return all paperwork and the \$75 supply fee. Thank you for choosing Little Blessings—we look forward to a wonderful year together!

Student's Name	_ Date of Birth
Mother's Cell Phone	Father's Cell Phone
Address	
Email address	
Which class would you like your child to enroll in	?
Emergency Contact (In the case parents or guar	dians can not be reached)
Name	Relationship
Phone	_
In case of emergency, I give Little Blessings Pres	school permission to contact the child's physician
Name Phone _	
Address	
Does your child have any health or behavioral co	nditions that we should be aware of?
(We appreciate knowing in advance so we can be	etter support your child.)
Does your child have an IEP? If yes, please prov	ide a copy.
Who does your child live with? (e.g., both parents	s, mother only, grandparents, etc.)
Siblings and Their Ages	
Parent/Guardian's Signature	Date



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# Welcome to Little Blessings Preschool

Welcome to Little Blessings Preschool! We are thrilled to partner with you on this educational journey. We look forward to helping your child grow academically, socially, emotionally, and spiritually in a loving, developmentally appropriate environment.

# **Eligibility & Mission**

Children must be at least 3 years old by July 31st, 2025, and must be fully potty-trained to attend. Our mission is to foster development in children ages 3 to 5 across social, emotional, spiritual, physical, and cognitive domains using developmentally appropriate practices.

# **Class Offerings & Tuition**

#### Classes for children 2 years away from Kindergarten

Monday & Wednesday 9:00-11:20 am \$85 a month Tuesday & Thursday 9:00-11:20 am \$85 a month

#### For children 1 year away from Kindergarten

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday 12:45-3:15 pm \$175 a month

Your child is officially registered, and their spot will be held for preschool once the \$75 supply fee and preschool record forms are submitted to Little Blessings Preschool. Please note that tuition and supply fees are non-refundable.

# **Supplies and Attendance**

Each child should bring a full-size backpack that can hold papers and projects.

The preschool opens 10 minutes before class starts and closes promptly at dismissal. Please escort your child inside and sign them in/out using our Brightwheel QR code. A late fee of \$1 per minute applies after a 5-minute grace period.

# **Closures and Weather Policy**

We follow McCook Public School's closures due to weather. If they start late, morning preschool is canceled, but afternoon classes continue. Notifications are sent via Brightwheel.

# **Behavior Expectations**

We encourage positive behavior through praise, redirection, and time-out. Our green/red choice system teaches students to make responsible choices. Persistent disruptive behavior may lead to dismissal at the director's discretion.

# Transportation

Van service is available within McCook city limits for \$4 per trip. There is no van service during inclement weather. Changes to your van schedule must be communicated by Thursday for the upcoming week. Charges apply unless the preschool is informed of cancellations.

# **Tuition and Transportation Payment Policy**

Preschool tuition and transportation fees are due by 3:15 PM on the 1st day of each month. Payments and statements are managed through Brightwheel, where online transactions are accepted. When submitting a check, please clearly indicate the student's name, the month being paid, and the purpose of the payment (e.g., tuition, transportation, supplies) in the memo line. A \$30 fee will be applied to any returned checks. Payments not received by the 5th of the month will incur a \$20 late fee. Please note that preschool tuition is non-refundable.

# **Helping Your Child Adjust**

It's normal for children to have difficulty adjusting. Remain calm and reassuring. Avoid sneaking away—say goodbye and leave promptly. You are welcome to check in via phone or Brightwheel.

# **Authorized Pickup**

Only individuals listed on your child's form may pick them up. If someone new is picking up, inform staff and ensure they bring an ID.

# **Health Guidelines**

Keep your child home 24 hours after fever, vomiting, or other symptoms subside. For illnesses like COVID-19, lice, pink eye, or others, follow the required exclusion guidelines. Children on antibiotics must wait 48 hours before returning.

# **Family Involvement**

We value your participation! Parents are encouraged to join field trips, help with parties, and visit the classroom. The director retains discretion for all classroom participation.

# Communication

Monthly newsletters and Brightwheel messages keep you informed. Call us at 308-345-6335 before 8:30 AM or after 3:15 PM. Use Brightwheel for daily updates and urgent messages.

# **Emergency Procedures**

In emergencies, we respond with CPR/first aid and call 911. We contact parents or emergency contacts immediately. Drills are regularly practiced. In all situations, your child's safety is our top priority. The preschool entrance is locked during hours; call to be let in.

# **Administrative Discretion**

The director may dismiss a student if their needs affect the classroom environment. Concerns or grievances should be brought to the director. If needed, the pastor and board will assist.



# **Class Schedules**

#### **Morning Class Schedule**

9:00-9:15	Centers, fine motor activities
9:20-9:40	Circle time
9:40-10:00	Skill work
10:00-10:20	Wash hands/ restroom break/ snack
10:20-11:00	Gross motor skills/outdoor play
11:00-11:15	Songs & Bible story
11:15	Review of day's activities
11:15	Prepare to go home, dismiss van children
11:20	Dismissal

#### Afternoon Class Schedule

12:45-1:10	Centers, fine motor activities
1:10-1:40	Circle time
1:40-2:00	Skill work and small group work
2:00-2:20	Wash/ restroom break/snack
2:20-2:50	Gross motor skills/outdoor play
2:50-3:05	Bible story & songs
3:05	Review of day's activities
3:10	Prepare to go home, dismiss van children

3:15 Dismissal

#### Snacks

To help keep our snack cupboard stocked, please send a healthy, non-perishable snack with your child at the beginning of each month. Snacks will be shared among the children, so consider nutritious options like crackers, fresh or dried fruit, raw vegetables, Rice Krispies treats, or yogurt.

We provide children with Reverse Osmosis filtered water. If you prefer, you're welcome to send individual servings of juice or milk for your child. *Please do not send any items containing red food coloring or Kool-Aid.* 

We love to celebrate birthdays! A special treat or dessert is a lovely way to celebrate your child's special day. Summer birthdays will be celebrated in May. Any special dietary needs will be noted on the monthly calendar.

# **Little Blessings Preschool** Parent Forms - Please Return

#### **Parent Acknowledgement**

I acknowledge that I have received a copy of the Little Blessings Preschool Parent Handbook. By signing below, I confirm that I have read, understood, and agree to follow the policies outlined in this handbook.

Student's Name	
Parent/Guardian's Name	
Parent/Guardian's Signature	Date

#### **Health Guidelines**

I agree to keep my child home for 24 hours after symptoms of any illness have resolved. I will notify the preschool if my child or a member of our household tests positive for COVID-19 and will keep my child home for the recommended 10-day isolation period.

Parent/Guardian's Signature	Date
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## **Transportation Permission**

I give permission for Little Blessings Preschool staff to transport my child for field trips and other preschool-related activities. My child will be properly secured in a car seat and seat belt, in accordance with safety regulations.

Parent/Guardian's Signature	Date	
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#### Photo Release Form

I grant permission to Little Blessings Preschool and The Methodist Church to use photographs of my child and/or myself in print and digital media. This may include use in newsletters, websites, social media, and other promotional materials. I understand that no compensation will be given for the use of these images.

Parent/Guardian's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

NEBRASKA Division of Public Health - Licensure Unit - Children's Services Licensing Program

#### Good Life. Great Mission. DEPT. OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES Children's Record

Child(ren)'s Name:		_ Birthdate(s):	
Enrollment Date: Updates:		Date Care Ceased:	
Parent or Guardian's Ho	me Address and Employment A	ddress:	
FATHER (or Guardian):			
		_ Employer:	
	Phone:		Phone:
MOTHER (or Guardian):			
Name:		_ Employer:	
Address:		Address:	
City:	Phone:	_ City:	Phone:
	Child(ren) may be Released by t		
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#### Consent to Contact Physician in Emergency:

In the event I cannot be re-	ached to make arrangements, I here	eby give my cor	nsent to
to contact Doctor			Caregiver
	Name of Physician	Phone	
			and, if necessary, take my child(ren) to the
Address	City		
tollowing doctor(s), clinics,	or nospital		
	Signature of Parent/Guardian	n she de	Date
	MEDICATION COMF	PETENCY STAT	TEMENT
			have determined
Parent /Guardian Name			
Provider/Director/Staff N	Jame(s)	IS/are com	petent to give or apply medication to my child(ren).
Signature of Parent/Guardian			Date
	CHILD'S MED	ICAL INFORM	ATION
Medication, if any:			
			ctors that result in a medical reaction. Please
Special Concerns: (Glasse	es, Hearing Aid, Crutches)		
Any activities child(ren) sh	ould NOT engage in:		
Company providing health	and/or accident insurance coverage	e: (Optional)	
I certify that the above info	prmation is correct to the best of my	knowledge.	

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Child(s) Name:

Birthdate(s): Enrollment Date: **REQUIRED IMMUNIZATIONS** Vaccine Type of Dose Normal Date Given **Doctor or Clinic** Vaccine Schedule Yr Administering Mo Day Polio 1 2 mo. OPV or 2 4 mo. **IPV** 3 6 - 18 mo. 4 4 - 6 yrs. DTP/DT/DTaP 1 2 mo. Diphtheria 2 4 mo. Tetanus 3 6 mo. Pertussis 4 15 - 18 mo. 5 4 - 6 yrs. Tdap 1 11 - 18 yrs. Td/Tetanus and Diphtheria Hib 1 2 mo. Haemophilus 2 4 mo. influenzae b 3 6 mo. 4 12 - 15 mo. M-M-R 1 12 - 15 mo. 2 1 Hepatitis A 2 Hepatitis B 1 2 3 Varicella 1 12 - 18 mo. Chickenpox 2 date of disease Meningococcal 1 Conjugate PCV 1 2 mo. Pneumococcal 2 4 mo. Conjugate 3 6 mo. 4 12 - 15 mo. 1 2 mo. Rotavirus 2 4 mo. 3 6 mo.

I certify that the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Parent/Guardian:\_

I do not wish to have (child's name)\_

Date:

immunized. The reason for the decision is:

Signature of Parent/Guardian:\_

Date:



## Division of Public Health

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# Parent Information Brochure For Licensed Child Care

Nebraska Child Care Licensing Website: http://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/pages/Child-Care-Licensing.aspx

# Expectations of Child Care Consumers

Read thoroughly all the information your provider gives you.

**Complete** your Child's Record Forms and return to your provider before your child begins care. Review and update these records as needed.

Supply your provider with your child's immunization records and keep them updated as needed.

Sign and date the receipt of this Parent Information Brochure for Licensed Child Care and return it to your provider before your child begins care.

Talk to your Child Care provider regularly to address needs and concerns for your children in care and as a parent.

Contact Child Care Licensing with any questions or concerns you may have.

Email: DHHS.ChildCareLicensing@nebraska.gov

Phone: 800-600-1289 OR 402-471-6564 Mail: Nebraska Child Care Licensing Department of Health and Human Services

> PO Box 94986 Lincoln, NE 68509-4986

> > Sign, date and return to your Child Care provider before your child(ren) begin care. Your Child Care Provider must retain this receipt for onsite review.

Child Care Program Name:

Enrolled Child(ren)' Names:

Parent/Guardian Names:

Parent/Guardian Signature:

# Licensed Child Care

You have chosen to use a licensed Child Care provider for the care of your child or children. Nebraska Law requires anyone providing care to four or more children from different families, for compensation, to be licensed. The Types of Licensed Child Care in Nebraska are:



Family Child Care Home I Family Child Care Home II Preschool Child Care Center School-Age Only Center



## Responsibilities of Child Care Licensing

The roles and responsibilities of DHHS Child Care Licensing staff are to ensure that programs are providing proper care for and treatment of the children they serve, and that the care and treatment are consistent with the child's physical well-being, safety, and protection.

Licensed Child Care programs are encouraged to involve you. We urge you to let your Child Care providers and/or staff know of any concerns. There may be situations where you believe that the program is not responding to your concerns or may not be meeting state licensing standards. This brochure, which Child Care providers are required to share with you, provides information that might be helpful in those situations.

Please complete the receipt section and return it to your Child Care provider. This will be kept with your child's records.

# Responsibilities of Licensed Child Care Provider

Comply with child care regulations for their license type at all times.

**Obtain and maintain** accurate records for children they have in care, such as Enrollment Forms, Parent Information Brochure Receipts, Immunization Records and Medication Administration records.

**Keep** accurate and up-to-date records for their license on themselves and staff members. Report changes to Child Care Licensing and complete required paperwork to reflect changes.

Allow access to their licensed facility when children are in care at all times to parents, Child Care Licensing representatives and the Fire Marshal.

Develop policies and procedures for their programs.

Communicate with families their needs and concerns for the children in care.

Contact Child Care Licensing with any questions or concerns they may have.