



Swarthmore Presbyterian Nursery Day School 2024-25 Programs

We're delighted that you're interested in having your child attend SPNDS for the 2024-2025 school year! (An application is attached as a separate document). SPNDS is the place for "Learning Joy," and we'd love for your child(ren) to be a part of our school family.

Our Programs At-A-Glance

Play Pals 9:15-11:15 a.m. M-F, 5 days/week	The perfect introduction to preschool! In our program for 2-year-olds, our youngest learners will engage in musical and play activities that are "just right" for this age group. This is a drop-off program, though parents may stay for the first orientation class. <u>NOTE: Students do NOT need to be potty-trained to enroll in Play Pals, but must be 2 years-old by September 1, 2024</u>
Nursery Day School 9:00-11:45 a.m., M-F, 5 days/week	All areas of development—social, emotional, cognitive, and physical—are of equal importance at Nursery Day School. Our curriculum emerges as children participate in hands-on, play-based activities. Readiness skills are adeptly integrated into these activities. We help children express their individuality while learning to respect the rights of others. Outdoor play is an important part of our program, and all students participate in our Specials classes: Music, Art, Creative Movement, Science, Library and Woodshop. Students bring water bottles and snacks from home to enjoy. <u>NOTE: Students must be potty-trained and turn 3 years-old by September 1, 2024, to enroll in Nursery Day School.</u>
Kindergarten Complement AM: 9:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m. PM: 11:45 a.m.-2:45 p.m. M-F, 5 days/week	In our Complement program, we reinforce and apply concepts and skills learned in kindergarten, while also enriching this education through the exploration of ideas and themes. We also offer students the time, space, and structure to play and socialize. Like in Nursery Day School, all students participate in outdoor play as well as our Specials classes: Music, Art, Creative Movement, and Woodshop. We offer one kindergarten complement class in the morning and two in the afternoon. Space is limited, and we strongly encourage you NOT to wait for the Wallingford-Swarthmore School District (WSSD) kindergarten lottery in March to apply. We will work with families as much as possible post-lottery if a change is required. <u>Note: Only children in the WSSD can ride the buses to or from their elementary school and SPNDS. Students from other districts are welcome but must provide their own transportation.</u>
Lunch Bunch for Nursery Day School Students 11:45 a.m.-2:45 p.m. Minimum of 2 days/week	Students eat lunch together and participate in a variety of academic and social activities after Nursery Day School ends. We require families to enroll for a minimum of two days per week. We suggest that you sign up for the days you expect to need and inform the office ASAP if your plans change. (We found it's much easier to reduce the number of days than to increase later in the year.) <u>NOTE: Students bring their own lunch and drink from home. Rest and nap times are permitted.</u>
Early Bird, 8:15-9 a.m. Stay & Play, 2:45-3:30 p.m.	Early Bird (for Nursery Day School students and Morning Kindergarteners) and Stay & Play (for Lunch Bunch students and Afternoon Kindergarteners) are available to better accommodate parents' daily schedules. There is an additional fee for these programs, and enrollment is limited. We require a minimum of two days per week.

2024-2025 Tuition Schedule and Application Fee

Please note that our annual budget is based on full year enrollment. Each student's financial commitment is for the entire school year, and tuition is non-refundable except upon approval by the SPNDS Advisory Committee. Families may choose to pay the full-year tuition at once or in 10 installments.

PLAY PALS		NURSERY DAY SCHOOL		KINDERGARTEN COMPLEMENT		LUNCHBUNCH			EARLY BIRD or STAY & PLAY (each)		
Yearly	10-month payment plan	Yearly	10-month payment plan	Yearly	10-month payment plan	Days	Yearly	10-month payment plan	Days	Yearly	10-month payment plan
\$4,200	\$420 /mon.	\$4,944	\$494.40 /mo.	\$5,109.00	\$510.90 /mo.	5	\$4,310	\$431 /mo	5	\$845	\$85/mo.
						4	\$4,180	\$418 /mo.	4	\$790	\$79/mo.
						3	\$3,940	\$394 /mo.	3	\$735	\$74/mo.
						2	\$3,663	\$366 /mo.	2	\$682	\$68/mo.

· Admissions Next Steps

Please complete the Application for Admission and return the application and the **\$50 non-refundable** registration fee to **SPNDS**. Note that enrollment is offered **FIRST** to current students and alumni families who send in their application and the registration fee promptly.

- Applications from **CURRENT** students that include the registration fee will be accepted beginning **Monday, January 22, 2024, through Wednesday January 31, 2024**.
- Applications from **NEW students** that include the registration fee will be accepted beginning **Thursday, February 1, 2024, at 8am**.

Please note that our classes fill quickly, and children are enrolled on a **"first come, first served"** basis. We will continue to accept applications throughout the spring and summer if there are spaces available in our classes. Once we have reached full enrollment, a waitlist will be started.

Acceptance letters are mailed with a contract in early March and should be signed and returned to the school office by **Friday, April 5, 2024**. We will also send you a child health form; your child must have a completed health form on file to enter school in the fall. (We also accept current health reports from your pediatrician's office, as well.)

Scholarships covering partial tuition are available; inquiries may be made to Deb Hansen, Director, at deborah.hansen@swarthmorepres.org after acceptance into one of the programs.

We look forward to having you and your child here next year!

Sincerely,

Deb Hansen, SPNSD Director