



## Answers to Frequently Asked Questions

- Our hours are 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
- We operate between Labor Day and Memorial Day.
- We are closed for major holiday vacations, like the Williamson County School System.
- We have classes for children ages 1 (by Aug. 15<sup>th</sup>) to 5 years.
- 1 year olds attend 2 days per week.
- 2 year olds may attend 2 or 3 days per week.
- 3, 4 & 5 year olds may attend 3 or 4 days per week
- We offer no drop-in classes.
- All closings and special events are announced in our school newsletters.
- The Summer Program runs for 3 weeks in June. The number of days open per week will be determined by demand.

## Parent Participation

Parents are an important part of our school.

We depend on you to:

- bring your children on time
- support your children by reading our newsletters and calendars
- helping your children get to school with needed supplies
- participate in activities planned during the year

The use of the term “Day School” is used intentionally instead of “Parents Day Out.” While we recognize the importance of parents having time away from children, we regard our school as a special place for your child to learn those things appropriate to the child’s age. We strive to provide a stimulating learning environment where children can explore in social and academic settings in a spirit of acceptance.

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309 Franklin Road  
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# Celebrating Childhood

*Heart, Body & Mind*



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## Goals

- create a warm creative, nurturing atmosphere for everyone involved.
- facilitate each child's natural growth through interest centers, play experiences and enrichment activities.
- provide opportunities for meaningful play based on the child's individual needs, interest, and abilities that will build important foundations for future academic skills.
- develop small motor skills, large motor skills, language skills, eye-hand coordination, social skills, emotional control, and self esteem. At each age level, these will be refined to a higher degree.
- provide parents support in all areas of child rearing.

## Policies

Our purpose is to provide each child with a program of planned experiences in living and growing with others, as well as to serve the community by offering parents a safe, educational environment in which to leave their children. We believe every child is a very special person, and it is our goal that each one leaves our program with a feeling of self worth.

The Day School program is a ministry of Brentwood UMC to the children and parents of the church and community.

*The BUMC Day School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate based on race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship, and other school administered programs.*

## Registration

Fall/Spring Semesters: Registration is held in January for the upcoming Fall/Spring Semesters. All currently enrolled children are first to register for a place for the next year. After their registration, any openings will be filled from the children on the waiting list. There is a registration fee of \$150 for students new to the Day School. All siblings of children in the program wanting a place in the school must have a waiting list sheet on file. Waiting list forms can be obtained from the Day School office. There is a \$25 fee to be put on the waiting list. Preference will be given to siblings and church members on the waiting list. **Summer** registration will be held each March.

## Discipline

Our main goal for discipline is to help the child develop self-control. We use positive reinforcement and redirection of a child's attention whenever possible to modify behavior. In some cases, a brief "time out" may be used. Corporal punishment will never be used. Above all, we want the children to have a feeling of self-worth and acceptance.

## Child Evaluation & Parent Conferences

Each child will be developmentally evaluated twice a year by their teacher. These checklists will not be judgmental; they will only be an aid to us in recognizing the developmental level of the child.

## Fees for 2023-2024 School Year

<u>Age</u>	<u>Days/wk.</u>	<u>Tuition</u>
Ones	Two	\$303
Twos	Two	\$303
	Three	\$424
Threes	Three	\$426
	Four	\$555
Pre-K	Three	\$433
	Four	\$561

Tuition payments are paid monthly beginning in June (supply fee) and then continuing September – May for a total of 10 monthly payments. Siblings will have a \$10 discount per payment.

## Curriculum

Our curriculum is based on the philosophy that a child will learn best when he is developmentally ready to learn. It is our goal to recognize each child's individual level and to help prepare them for the next level. We do this by organizing our program in a way that allows for individual progression. Each classroom has separate centers for related activities.

- **Home Living Center:** promotes social interactions.
- **Block Area:** promotes imagination, dramatic play, self-esteem, coordination, creativity as well as math and science concepts.
- **Book Area:** provides a quiet, cozy spot for being alone or with others. Books stimulate vocabulary and expose children to the large word around them.
- **Science Area:** may simply consist of a nature shelf, but it may also include experiments with colors, gravity, floatation, basic chemistry (baking soda & vinegar) and sensory experiences.
- **Art Activities:** develops coordination, creativity, responsibility, imagination, self expression, exploration, small motor control, etc. Here the process is more important than the product.
- **Manipulative Area:** consists of table games that develop manual dexterity, creativity, spatial relationships, eye-hand coordination, classification, patience, etc.
- **Music:** essential to our program, it develops language, teaches a child group participation, rhythm and leads to large motor activities. A special music class is held every week for 2, 3, 4, & 5 year olds using.
- **Large Motor:** each class has time daily for large motor activities either outdoors or in an indoor gym.



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