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Kiddie Kollege Pre-School PARENT'S GUIDE

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ABOUT OUR SCHOOL

Kiddie Kollege Preschool was established in 1976 by the Bethpage Assembly of God church as a means of providing a warm Christian atmosphere for the care and training of young children. It is supervised by the director and the church executive council.

The primary objective of our school is to furnish a wholesome and creative atmosphere for the care of children where they can be instructed in academic, social, physical and spiritual growth.

We adhere to a radically non-discriminatory policy as to student enrollment. We do not discriminate on the basis of race or religion in the administration of our educational policies, admissions policies and other school-administered programs.

CURRICULUM

Our curriculum matches developmentally appropriate activities to traditional preschool topics for children ages 12 months to 5 years. Our instruction is encouraged in a structured yet flexible environment. All classes incorporate: table play; circle time including calendar, weather and prayer; arts & crafts with instruction; music including singing, movement and exercise; indoor and outdoor play (weather permitting); bathroom time including toilet training; snack and rest; and conclude with story time.

Faith and patriotism are also strong aspects of our program which we incorporate through teaching Christian character and principles, prayer, chapel and Bible stories and the pledges to the American flag, Christian flag and the Bible.

Our goals are:

Mommy & Me (needs basis)

- to combine a unique opportunity for both mother and child to enjoy focused, one-on-one play with the benefit and fun of social interaction.

Terrific Two's

- to encourage separation, independence, verbal expression and self-awareness through expanding the child's social abilities and interests with guidance, direction and support

Nursery

- to expand the child's cognitive, affective and physical growth through sensory motor-play that develops both fine and gross motor abilities; and to provide opportunities for imagination and language development

Pre-K

- to encourage areas of cognitive skills, language, self awareness, social studies, math, science, gross and fine motor movements; to develop curiosity, imagination and creativity; and incorporate pre-reading and pre-writing skills through the Learning Without Tears curriculum model

TUITION POLICY

Tuition is an annual fee which is divided into 10-monthly payments for your convenience, payable the first of each month (September 1st through June 1st). The tuition fee takes into consideration holidays and snow days.

The one-time Registration Fee includes the processing of your child's paper work, the Weekly Reader Children's Newspaper (Pre-K), Pumpkin Patch Field Day, Promotion Sashes/Graduation Caps and all other incidentals that may arise during the school year.

METHODS OF PAYMENT

We accept cash and checks made payable to Experience Church,
Zelle: giving@experiencechurchag.org or Venmo@ExperienceChurchAG

PROGRAMS AND TUITION

Mommy & Me - 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Registration Fee payable w/application.....	\$ 25.00
Day to be Determined.....	\$ 84.00

**Beginning at 18 Months*

Terrific Two's – 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Registration Fee payable w/application.....	\$ 75.00
2 days -	\$169.00
3 days -	\$253.00
4 days -	\$338.00
5 days -	\$422.00

**Child must be age 2 before 12/1*

Nursery - 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Pre-K - 8:45 - 11:45 a.m.

Prices are the same for both program

Registration Fee payable w/application.....	\$125.00
2 days -	\$209.00
3 days -	\$314.00
4 days -	\$418.00
5 days -	\$523.00

**Child must be age 3 for Nursery / age 4 for Pre-K before 12/1*

If you have more than one child enrolled during the same school year, there will be a discounted rate of 20% on your second + child.

AGE OF ENROLLMENT

The Bethpage Public School District cut-off date for entering kindergarten is December 1st.

HOURS

Mommy & Me.....	10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
Terrific Two's.....	9:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Nursery.....	9:00 - 12:00 p.m.
Pre-K.....	8:45 - 11:45 a.m.

Arrival and dismissal of students will be from our large indoor play area. The classroom teacher will greet you and your child by the hallway to the classrooms. Your cooperation in being here promptly is appreciated.

CLASS SIZE AND RATIO

Mommy & Me - 5 toddlers, 5 mothers, 1 teacher

Terrific Two's - 8 children, 1 teacher, 1 assistant : 4 to 1 ratio

Nursery - 14 children, 1 teacher , 1 assistant : 7 to 1 ratio.

Pre-K - 16 children, 1 teacher, 1 assistant : 8 to 1 ratio

**Our teachers are degreed and/or certified by N.Y. State and all staff members are C.P.R. certified by the American Heart Association.*

THIRD PARTY PICK-UP, LATE ARRIVALS AND EARLY DISMISSALS

If you must pick up your child early or plan to send another party, please notify the office and classroom teacher in advance. We require that the party stop in the office and show photo ID of which we will make a copy for our records. We will not release a child unless notified by a parent. If your child will be late to school or picked up early, the office personnel will escort your child to or from his/her classroom to minimize any disruptions during class lessons.

COMMUNICATION

Monthly newsletters and notices will be emailed. A hard copy will also be posted on the bulletin board located by the main entrance. Please be sure to read them as they include pertinent information relating to your child's education. Your child's teacher will also set up a means of communication through emails or Facebook.

PHOTOGRAPHS

Periodically we will be taking photos of our facility including the classes and students to update our website, Experiencechurchag.org, and our Facebook page. Please inform us if you are opposed to your child being included.

SCHOOL CALENDAR AND EMERGENCY CLOSINGS

We follow the Bethpage Public School district calendar for all closings excluding Jewish holidays since we are a Christian school. In the event of an emergency closing, you will receive a Flock Note text message informing you of our closure.

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

Formal conferences will be held once, mid-year, giving parents the opportunity to speak with the classroom teacher about their child's overall progress. If necessary, a conference can be arranged any time during the school year.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

In accordance with New York State law, all children entering school must have a completed and signed Health Form on file by the first day of school. Your child's physician may fax (516)933-3341 or email your child's proof of immunization to directorkk@optonline.net or you may return it to the school office before the 1st of September.

ABSENCES

Please contact the school office via phone call, email, text or DoJo if your child is going to be absent for any reason. If we do not hear from you, we will contact you. A Medical Attention Notice will be emailed should a student be ill with a communicable sickness.

CLASS LISTS

A signed consent is mandatory for your child's name to be posted on his/her class list which is located at the bottom of the enrollment form. The purpose of the list is for socialization purposes.

CLASS MOMS/DADS

Class Moms/Dads are picked by lottery method. One will be chosen per class and responsibilities will be outlined by the director in a brief meeting early in the school year.

SNACKS

Children are required to bring a healthy snack with a drink that does not require refrigeration or heating. Please refrain from sending in whole grapes (halved are fine), popcorn, hot dogs, or baby carrots as these are high risk choking foods. We are also a PEANUT FREE environment.

BIRTHDAY CALENDAR & FOOD ITEMS FROM HOME

If you'd like to celebrate your child's birthday school, please communicate that to your child's teacher. You may provide your child's favorite treat for snack time with a list of ingredients attached. Please remember no peanut products.

Please refer to our Kiddie Kollege Pre-School Covid-19 Plan of Action for all activities pertaining to our school's policies and operating procedures. We will be following CDC and NYSDOH guidelines for the safety, health and wellbeing of all staff, students and families affiliated with our programs.