



2023-2024 Bethel Lutheran School Registration Procedures for *Preschool*

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A. Registration Schedule & General Information

School registration will take place online per the following schedule:

- Current Bethel students & siblings – Thursday, February 16, 2023
- Bethel Lutheran Church members – Monday, February 27, 2023
- General public – Monday, March 6, 2023

If you have any questions or problems during the registration process, please contact the school office at (309) 266-6592. The office is staffed starting at 6:00 AM on each registration day.

Our preschool classes and early childhood program options for the 2023-2024 school year are listed on pages 4 – 6.

B. Steps for Current Bethel Students & Siblings^a Entering Preschool**Step 1**

Current Bethel Students: At 6:00 AM on Thursday, February 16, you will receive an email from TADS with your own personal household link to use to re-register your student(s). It is very important that you verify that your contact information is correct within your TADS account so that you receive the email at 6:00 AM. If you aren't sure or have questions, please stop in, or call the school office at 309-266-6592 before February 16.

The link in your email will take you directly to the TADS online registration page. Carefully follow the instructions to ensure each section is fully complete.

^aTo apply for a new student that is the sibling of a current Bethel student: Log into your TADS account, click on the "Admissions" tab, and complete the new student application. Carefully follow the instructions to ensure that each application section is fully complete.

To apply for our Lunch Bunch or afternoon enrichment classes for 1st semester, please click to place a check mark in the box(es) or the day(s) you'd like to request during the application process.

Registration fee (\$60) payment is set up during the online application process.

Your options for payment methods are:

- Automatic credit/debit card payment (TADS electronic processing fee is applied)
- Automatic bank payments from checking/savings (TADS electronic processing fee is applied)
- Cash or check payment - must be turned in to the school office within fifteen (15) days, or your registration will be deemed incomplete.

Reminder-Your registration is not finalized, nor is your spot guaranteed until registration fees are paid.

Step 2

Within two (2) business days, you will receive a confirmation email from TADS or a phone call from Bethel staff ...

- to confirm your requested session(s) or
- to ask you to pick a second option, or
- to notify that you are on our wait list

You MUST complete the actions requested in the confirmation email to complete your registration.

Your child's teacher will reach out to you directly in August to set up a time to meet before the start of our 2023-2024 school year.

C. Steps for All New Students Entering Preschool

Step 1

Apply Online: A link to our TADS application system will be available on our school website (www.bethellutheranschool.org) per the schedule below. The link will take you directly to the TADS online application page. Carefully follow the instructions to ensure that each application section is fully complete.

Schedule:

- Bethel Lutheran Church Members at 6:00 AM on Monday, Feb. 27
- All other new students at 6:00 AM on Monday, March 6

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Bethel Lutheran Preschool 2023-2024 Early Childhood Programs

PRESCHOOL CLASSES

Bethel Lutheran Preschool offers half day preschool classes for students aged 3, 4 and 5 (by September 1, 2023). Bethel's program offers rich, exciting, quality experiences with a hands-on approach to engage the whole child. Our recently updated two-year rotating curriculum offers plenty of opportunity to learn through play, with reading, science, math, language, fine motor, gross motor, art, social and listening skills presented in a Christian environment.

Morning Sessions (8:35-11:15 AM)

3s options

Monday/Wednesday
Tuesday/Thursday
Monday/Wednesday/Friday

4s options

Tuesday/Thursday
Monday/Wednesday/Friday
Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday
Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday/Friday

5s preK

Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday/Friday

Afternoon Sessions (12:20-3:00 PM)

4s options

Tuesday/Thursday
Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday

5s preK (if second session is needed)

Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday/Friday

LUNCH BUNCH AND AFTERNOON ENRICHMENT CLASSES (See next page)

Bethel Lutheran Preschool 2023-2024 Early Childhood Programs

PRESCHOOL LUNCH BUNCH (for 4 and 5 year olds)

Four and five year old students registered for our 1/2 day morning preschool classes may extend their preschool day through enrollment in our Lunch Bunch program.

Children who stay for Lunch Bunch will have the opportunity to hear a story, enjoy movement songs, eat lunch, and participate in recess. These activities provide more time with friends in a social setting, while working on important self-help skills. Children enrolled in Lunch Bunch will need to bring a healthy lunch with a drink from home.

Registration will be offered for one semester at a time, and you may choose 1, 2, 3, or 4 days per week. Children may be picked up at 12:50 or transition to an afternoon enrichment class on the days offered. Space is limited in this program, so please plan to sign up as soon as possible.

1st Semester Dates: Sept. 11-Dec. 7 (on days preschool is in session)

Time: 11:15 AM-12:50 PM

Fee per weekday per semester: \$110

(for example, students staying for Monday and Wednesday Lunch Bunch will be charged total fees of \$220 for the semester)

PRESCHOOL AFTERNOON ENRICHMENT (for 4 and 5 year olds)

Bethel Preschool will offer afternoon enrichment class options for our four and five year old students, designed to create exciting experiences that spark the natural curiosity and interests in our youngest learners. Each class period will include Jesus time and a break for a healthy snack provided by the school.

Registration will be offered for one semester at a time (class offerings will change for 2nd semester). You may choose to register your child for 1, 2, 3 or 4 classes per week.

Enrichment classes are offered independently from our other programs, and children do not need to attend morning preschool to participate in that afternoon's class.

Registration may be opened to the public if spaces remain available after our preschool families have a chance to register. Class space is limited, so please plan to sign up as soon as possible.

1st Semester Dates: Sept. 11-Dec. 7 (on days preschool is in session)

Time: 1:00-3:00 PM

Tuition per class per semester: \$160

(for example, students staying for Tuesday and Thursday enrichment classes will be charged total fees of \$320 for the semester)

Lunch & Learn - a 10% discount will be given for both programs on days a preschooler is signed up to stay for both Lunch Bunch & enrichment class

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Time: 1:00-3:00 PM

Tuition per class: \$160

Mondays: Mini Musicians

Bethel's lower grade music teacher (Mrs. Hoyum) will join us for a class full of making beautiful music together! In this class, we will spend our days singing, dancing, listening to great stories and exploring a variety of rhythm instruments. Music and rhythm will be all around us, helping to build creativity, imagination, balance, early math skills, and so much more for our preschoolers.

Tuesdays: Science Sprouts

Let's grab our lab coats and explore all afternoon long! Incorporating various STEM concepts, we will build, create, make a mess, experiment, tinker, and have a blast together while developing creative and critical thinking, logic, patience, motor skills, and so much more.

Wednesdays: Outdoor Adventures

Using Bethel Preschool's outdoor classroom, we will take our adventures outside! Being outdoors engages all of our senses as we explore the world around us, through hikes, using nature to create art, planting and growing flowers and plants, and enjoying all Mother Nature has to offer. While we will plan to spend time outside every day regardless of the weather, some activities may take place indoors in the case of excessive rain, snow, heat, or cold.

Thursdays: Bethel Book Club

All of our favorite preschool stories will be featured in our very own preschool book club! Each week, we will pick a book to enjoy from our list of the very best and use it to expand our knowledge of authors, language, phonics and many other early literacy skills. We will add in some art and games and will even make a book of our own!