

Thank you for letting us be a part of your child's education. We want to work with you and keep you informed about the things we are doing in the Early Childhood Department.

Enrollment

Following your initial interview, complete and sign the student registration form and turn it in to the school office, along with a copy of your child's birth certificate, immunization records, and the \$100 registration fee.

Parent Communication

We work very hard to keep you informed about everything going on at Destiny. School notes will be sent home on **Tuesdays**, along with the **Tuesday Times**. Class notes and info will also be posted on bulletin boards outside the classrooms. Check out our website, **destinywildcats.com**, for monthly calendars, informative articles and helpful links. You can also follow us on **Twitter** and **Facebook** for up-to-date info - simply click the links at the bottom of the **destinywildcats.com** website.

Reminders

Backpacks are a must for the children to carry their belongings. Please be sure your child can open and close his/her own backpack.

Please be sure to feed your child a healthy breakfast before he or she comes to school. This helps to get them off to a good start for their school days.



Picking Up Your Children

For the safety of your child, it is important that you notify the teacher when you pick up your child. Even when they are on the playground, the parent needs to sign out the child. Any children not attending Extended Training should be picked up by 11:00am (AM classes) or 3:00pm (all-day classes).

All children **must** be picked up by 6:00pm. If you know you are going to be late, please notify the school. In cases of serious emergencies, we try to be understanding, but an emergency should not occur more than once or twice a year.

There is a **late fee** that is to be paid to the teacher on duty when you are late.

- \$1.00 per min. for the 1st 5 min.
- \$2.00 per 5 min. after the 1st 5 min.

Ex.: 20 minutes late = \$11.00



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Discipline

No discipline seems pleasant at the time, but painful.

Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it.

-Hebrews 12:11

We believe that loving discipline gives a child security and a feeling of being loved. Children want to know their boundaries. Each teacher has a positive reward system to encourage good behavior and specific consequences to discourage bad behavior. Our goal is to be consistent, compassionate and firm.



Dress Code

The Early Childhood Department abides by the school uniform dress code - see the uniform info sheet or check the school website for uniform information. The children will dress-up on Tuesdays for chapel (girls-uniform dress, boys-uniform pants and dress shirt). Children are not allowed to wear blue jeans, sweats, shorts (except for uniform shorts), or T-shirts.

Remember to dress accordingly for the weather, wearing a jacket or sweater on cold days.

Please write your child's name on all clothing and all personal items brought to school.

Extra Clothing

Each child needs to bring an extra change of clothing. You should include **non-seasonal clothes, underwear and socks**. These items should be sent in a one-gallon zip-lock bag, labeled with the child's name, class and teacher. All clothing should also be labeled with the child's name.

If we have to use the extra clothes, please send a replacement the next day.



Homework & Assessment

Children in the Early Childhood Department have homework on Tuesdays. The homework will be sent home in a large manilla homework envelope. Each student is to complete the homework and return it the next day.

Children in the Early Childhood Department are evaluated every 4-1/2 weeks. Parents will receive a Progress Report after each student evaluation.

Show & Tell

Learning to share who and what we are is very important for our children's self-esteem. Each week, a special day and time is set aside for your child to share. The children should leave the item in their school bag until **Show & Tell** time. Please do not send items that you consider valuable, and do not send toys except on **Show & Tell** days.

Health & Medication

If your child has prescribed medication that must be given at school, please fill out and return a **medical permission form** (these forms can be found in the pocket outside Rm. 112). Be sure to send the medicine in its original container and include a correct dosage utensil for liquid medication. These medications will typically be given during lunchtime.

In order to avoid spreading illness, if your child has a temperature of **100 degrees or more**, or a contagious illness, you will be called to come and pick up your child. If you are aware of an elevated temperature or a contagious illness, please keep your child home until he or she is better.