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About Us

We welcome you and your child to join us for an early learning adventure! Our philosophy is to provide 'a place to grow' in a safe, inclusive, and fun environment where children are treated with dignity, respect and care. Waterloo Co-operative Preschool offers child-lead, interest-based activities, with the view that children are capable, competent, and curious learners. We utilize [How Does Learning Happen](#) pedagogical approaches in our planning and in our classroom by asking inquisitive questions and by supporting critical thinking. Our RECEs educators, staff, and volunteers engage children's interests, and help to foster a sense of wonder and engagement as they explore enriching, hands-on experiences.

Committee Membership

As per the co-op philosophy, all families may join the Board of Directors, serve in a volunteer committee position, and/or serve as a classroom volunteer. Committees are described in our [Parent Handbook](#) and are all essential to the operation of the preschool. Committee roles amount to approximately two hours of work per month. All committee and classroom volunteer roles are available on a first come, first served basis and are assigned in order of necessity. If you are unable to participate in a committee, you may be able to pay an opt-out fee, however, there are a limited number of opt-out spaces available, and opting out will be granted on a first come, first served basis. Please contact our Administrator if you would like to opt-out.

Our classes

We offer three unique programs at WCP:

Toddler Program	Preschool	KinderPrep
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Max. 15 students per class ● 1:5 educator to student ratio ● Option for parents to volunteer in the classroom 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Max. 16 students per class ● 1:8 educator to student ratio ● Option for parents to volunteer in the classroom 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● A program designed to help bridge the gap between preschool and kindergarten ● Max. 12 students per class ● 1:6 educator to student ratio ● No parent volunteers in the classroom ● Children registering in KP classes must meet with the Supervisors or have previously attended WCP

Our class schedule and tuition rates are as follows:

Class	Age	Days	Time	Monthly Tuition
Toddler (Classroom 1)	18-30 months	Tue/Thu	9:15-11:15 am	\$118
Morning Preschool (Classroom 1)	30 months - 4 years	Mon/Wed/Fri	8:30-11 am	\$156
Morning Preschool (Classroom 2)	30 months - 4 years	Mon/Wed/Fri	9-11:30 am	\$156
Morning Preschool (Classroom 2)	30 months - 4 years	Tue/Thu	9-11:30 am	\$118
Afternoon Preschool (Classroom 2)	3-4 years	Mon/Wed	12:30-3 pm	\$118
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KinderPrep* (Classroom 1)	3-5 years	Mon/Wed/Fri	1-4 pm	\$177
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* Children enrolling in KinderPrep classes must meet with the Supervisors or have previously attended WCP

Registration Process

Registration is on a first come, first served basis. Registrations are accepted at any point in the school year. Pre-registration for 2024-2025 will begin on or around the following dates:

- Existing families: March 18, 2024
- New families: April 8, 2024

Priority is given in the following order:

1. Current members/siblings of current members (switching/adding classes/moving to next age group)
2. Subsidy/children in crisis or at risk as referred through Family and Children Services or Infant Preschool services
3. Higher needs/underserved/underrepresented/vulnerable communities and populations as indicated on our Pre-registration form, OneList, and/or the Family Infant Child Consultant with Infant & Child Development Program with the Region of Waterloo.
4. Children of staff
5. Last year's Board of Directors/classroom volunteers
6. New families

See our Waitlist and Prioritization Policy and Inclusion Policy on our [website](#) for further information.

How to register at Waterloo Co-operative Preschool:

- Families must first submit an application for Waterloo Co-operative Preschool through Waterloo Region's **OneList**: <https://regionofwaterloo.onehsn.com>
- Families must also complete our **Pre-registration form**, found in the OneList confirmation email and on our [website](#).
- Your non-refundable membership fee, \$23.63, will be due **once a space has been confirmed** for your child. This fee must be sent via e-transfer to wcp.etransfer@gmail.com. Be sure to include your child's full name in the e-transfer message. Once we have received your membership fee, we will send you the full registration package which is required to complete your child's enrollment
- Membership is valid from July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025

Questions? Contact our Administrator at waterloopreschool.register@gmail.com
Subsidized spaces are available for those who qualify

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