

## Philosophy

Hillcrest Covenant Preschool is a ministry which instills Christian values and provides a quality early childhood educational experience. First and foremost our goal is to provide an environment where the child feels loved and safe and one that nurtures the total child. Children will be encouraged to learn and grow by providing a foundation of developmentally appropriate experiences where each child can succeed.

## Curriculum

The curriculum emphasizes thematic units for each week. These themes are presented using a variety of teaching methods to meet the learning styles of each child. Children learn through literature and art based activities, creative and dramatic play, and hands-on experiences, allowing individual growth and development of a positive self-image.

## Hours

The class hours are from 9:00 AM until 12:00 AM. Classroom doors will not be opened until 8:55 so that teachers can finalize preparation. Extended days 12:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

## Holidays

Hillcrest will observe the same holidays and snow closings as the Shawnee Mission School District.

## Tuition

Monthly tuition is to be paid by the 15th of the month after which time a \$10.00 late fee will be charged. Payments may be mailed to the church or placed in the container at the sign-in desk.

Checks should be made payable to:

*Hillcrest Covenant Church PDO*

**Please See Enrollment Form for Fees.**

## Cancellations

If your child is out due to illness, please call the preschool desk at 913-901-2317 and leave a message. If substitutes are available the director will try to fill the session.

**There will be no credit given to missed days.**

## Illness

To protect your child and the others, please do not bring your child to school if he/she has been vomiting, has had diarrhea or had a fever of 100 degrees or higher in the last 24 hours. If your child becomes ill while at school, we will notify you immediately. Please make sure you have provided complete emergency information on the daily sign-in sheet.

## Rest Time

State Health regulations require a rest time for any child that is here through the afternoon hours.

## Snacks

All students will be assigned to bring snack by their teachers. Birthdays are special and we encourage you to let your child share a special treat with the class. Please inform us ahead of time. We also asked that if it is not a birthday treat that snacks are healthy and nutritional .

## Preschool

### Daily Items to Bring

- ◆ Backpack or bag to take items home
- ◆ Change of clothes
- ◆ 2 blankets & lunch if extending through afternoon

**Please label all items coming to school with your child!**



## GOALS FOR Preschool

- ◆ Recognizing letters of the alphabet
- ◆ Learning letter sounds
- ◆ Writing letters; writing short words; writing short sentences
- ◆ Rhyming words
- ◆ Learning the meaning of opposites
- ◆ Sequencing
- ◆ Investigating and labeling the attributes of things
- ◆ Sorting and matching
- ◆ Describe similarities and differences of objects
- ◆ Learn phone number and address
- ◆ Identifying numerals 1-20
- ◆ Writing numerals
- ◆ Enumerating objects, as well as counting by rote
- ◆ Comparing number and amount: more/less and same amount
- ◆ Arranging two sets of objects in one-to-one correspondence
- ◆ Experience and comparing time intervals

### Field Trips and other extras

(covered by activity fee)

Pumpkin Patch field trip  
 Shawnee Mission Environmental Lab  
 Fire Station  
 JoHo the Story Teller  
 Music Classes

### Preschool Daily Schedule

9:00	Arrival
9:10-9:30	Opening Circle
9:30-10:15	Center Time
10:15-10:30	Clean up
10:30-10:45	Snack
10:45-11:10	Recess
11:10-11:40	Work time
11:40-12:00	Closing Circle

**“The Children’s Place”**  
 Hillcrest Children’s Ministry - Preschool

8801 Nall Avenue  
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Policies and Guidelines

## 3’s, 4’s and Pre-K



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