



Preschool & Kindergarten

691 West Side Avenue
Jersey City, NJ

At *three little birds'* school, we are dedicated to providing exceptional play-based, emergent education. We believe, and research supports, that children learn best through **play**. Our programs focus on guiding children, along with their families, to develop the social, emotional, physical and academic skills needed to succeed in elementary school and beyond.

"It's the things we play with and the people who help us play that make a great difference in our lives." Fred Rogers

Our students experience the joy of *real* play-based, emergent education. It's not just about what they are learning but also about *how* they learn. We really listen to our students, and nurture and encourage their play.

By doing this, we are helping to create strong, confident, creative members and future leaders of our community. Our play-based, emergent curriculum is not something that is rigid. It is playful, flexible and open-ended. It continues to grow as our students and teachers live and work it. Our teachers set up the creative environment with opportunities for students to touch, listen, see, experiment, discuss and role-play the many aspects of an idea. This gives us the opportunity to explore, expand and bring real meaning to the questions of our students.



FLY WITH US AND DISCOVER... PRESCHOOL

2.5 – 3.5 YEARS

Our play-based, emergent program prepares children for school by easing them into a routine, while giving them the room to express themselves and discover the joy of learning!

Our classroom provides opportunities to explore developmentally appropriate learning centers dedicated to literacy, art, sensory exploration, construction/blocks, math and dramatic/creative play.

In addition to our centers, we have a cozy, peaceful area for our students to engage in quiet, independent activities or to just refresh and recharge.

Daily activities will include:

- * Circle and story times
- * Free play in our learning centers
- * Outdoor play in the amazing Lincoln Park
- * Rotating music, creative art and movement classes

Our teachers truly connect with our young students to develop their language, independence, social-emotional skills and self-confidence to engage in the world around them.

3S & 4S

Our beautiful learning environment will inspire children to connect with their world in new and challenging ways. This class will build upon and enhance previously learned skills and development through a balance of child-led and group activities. We foster an enjoyable, pressure-free environment, where curiosity and learning can flourish in our developmentally appropriate learning centers: art, writing, sensory exploration, dramatic/creative play, construction/blocks/engineering, math, art, reading/literacy and discovery.

Our highly skilled and passionate teachers will focus on:

- * building the foundations of academic learning in reading, writing and math through our emergent curriculum
- * expanding our students' world through cultural exploration, science and social studies lessons, community projects and nature studies
- * the development of social skills and leadership

PLUS... our students have daily outdoor play in Lincoln Park and weekly movement, yoga, art, music and Spanish classes

K-Readiness Program (4S)

Our 4s will participate in our Kindergarten-Readiness Program, which meets the needs and challenges the capacities of our older students. Our students will be exposed to lessons, collaborative projects and activities that will help them build stronger focus, better concentration, and a longer attention span necessary for elementary programs. Students in this program will also have the confidence in their reading, writing and math skills for kindergarten. This program is still emergent and play-based, but has a stronger emphasis on academics based on our commitment to prepare our students for our kindergarten program, future schools and life beyond the classroom.

OUR GOALS

- To foster children's natural creativity and innate love of learning
- To provide a safe, loving, and engaging environment
- To instill trust and a sense of community belonging
- To help children learn compassion and respect for others as they build a broader awareness of the world around them
- To provide a plethora of stimulating, hands-on materials and plenty of opportunities for self-exploration and socialization
- To play, explore, and connect on a daily basis with the world outside our windows—especially in our “backyard”, Lincoln Park
- To engage in weekly art, movement, music, yoga, and Spanish activities
- To build the unique skills necessary for our older students to be totally prepared for and successful in Kindergarten
- To get messy and fully absorbed in our play!

In short, we nurture **the whole child** by looking for the many teachable moments that free-play and group activities can present. We foster a familial environment – very inviting, comfortable, and stimulating – where there is always laughter.

Our doors are always open to our families, so come visit us!

Fees, tuition, terms and conditions are subject to change.

Monthly Tuition	2 day (t/th)	3 day (m/w/F)	5 day
PRESCHOOL 2.5 – 3.5 YEARS extended day * 8am-6pm	\$750	\$950	\$1350
PRESCHOOL 2.5 – 3.5 YEARS full day * 8am-3pm	\$650	\$850	\$1150
PRESCHOOL 2.5 – 3.5 YEARS half day * 8am-12pm			\$950
PRESCHOOL 3S & 4S extended day * 8am-6pm			\$1350
PRESCHOOL 3S & 4S full day * 8am-3pm			\$1150
PRESCHOOL 3S & 4S half day * 8am-12pm			\$950

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