Buddy Bears-4 turning 5
Information Sheet
2026-2027

Friends Preschool & Kindergarten
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A Great Place for Your Child to Learn & Grow!

Our Buddy Bear classroom is the perfect introduction to education or the next step after the Busy Bees. Our program incorporates developmentally appropriate activities, social and emotional learning, with a Christian base. The Buddy Bear kindergarten readiness classroom introduces art, music, STEM, practical life skills, sensory exploration, language arts, and early math concepts.

What our Buddy Bear day incorporates:

- **Daily Independent Activity Choice:** Children can choose activities that interest them. These include games, coloring, sensory activities, imaginative play, and shelf toys that are changed monthly.
- **Daily Meeting Time:** The daily meeting time includes songs, rhymes, and movement, as well as sharing, daily jobs, and the question of the day. This time provides opportunities for leadership, public speaking, asking questions, expressing ideas, and recognizing his/her name in print.
- **Daily Curriculum Activities:** Each day children will engage in pre-language and pre-math activities. These include, but are not limited to, story time, recognizing the alphabet (both upper and lower case), beginning to recognize letter sounds, colors, shapes, one-to-one counting, number recognition 0-10, counting to 30, big and little, graphing, and so much more. Our curriculum also includes an introduction to *Handwriting Without Tears* and *Heggerty Phonemic Awareness*.
- **Daily Creative Art Project**: Our art projects allow our students to express themselves creatively, while also developing fine motor skills.
- **Bible Lesson:** Our children have a daily Bible lesson that includes stories, songs, and holiday celebrations.
- **Lunchtime:** Students bring their own snacks and lunch to school. This is a great time for your child to learn independent skills and engage in social interaction.
- **Recess:** We offer daily outdoor playtime on our beautiful playground where your child can continue developing social skills and gross motor skills. Indoor recess is provided if the weather prohibits us from going outside.
- **Rest Time:** For our students that stay till 3 pm, there is a 30-minute rest time after recess. Friends provide a rest mat, while you provide a towel or blanket that comes to school each day with your child.

What makes the Buddy Bear classroom the right choice for my child?

- **Will your child be 4 years old before September 1, 2026?** If yes, then our Buddy Bear classroom is where you want to register. We make this cutoff date to better align with the elementary schools, allowing our classrooms to flow appropriately to the next level.
- **Is your child independently potty trained?** We ask that your child be able to know when he/she needs to “go,” how to ask to “go,” and be able to complete all necessary actions independently.
- **There are multiple options for the Buddy Bear classroom.** There is the option to choose a 2, 3 or 4 day a week program that each run from either 9 am-1 pm or 9 am-3 pm.

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Tuition Information and Payment Options:

Please only select one option **Buddy Bear 2-Day Class Selection**		**Annual Tuition**	**One Time Payment Due 1st Day of School**	**Two Payments Due 1st Day of School & 2/1/27**	**9 Payment Plan Due the first of each month starting 1st Day of School**
	Monday/Wednesday 9:00 am to 1:00 pm	$2,790.00	$2,690.00 ($100 discount)	$1,395.00 on 1st Day of School $1,320.00 on 2/1 ($75 discount)	$310.00 due 1st of the month September-May
	Monday/Wednesday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm	$3,510.00	$3,410.00 ($100 discount)	$1,755.00 1st Day of School $1,680.00 on 2/1 ($75 discount)	$390.00 due 1st of the month September-May
Buddy Bear 3-Day Class Selection					
	Monday-Wednesday 9:00 am to 1:00 pm	$3,555.00	$3,455.00 ($100 discount)	$1,777.50 on 1st Day of School $1,702.50 on 2/1 ($75 discount)	$395.00 due 1st of the month September-May
	Monday-Wednesday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm	$5040.00	$4,940.00 ($100 discount)	$2,520.00 on 1st Day of School $2,445.00 on 2/1 ($75 discount)	$560.00 due 1st of the month September-May
Buddy Bear 4-Day Class Selection					
	Monday-Thursday 9:00 am to 1:00 pm	$4,545.00	$4,445.00 ($100 discount)	$2,272.50 on 1st Day of School $2,197.50 on 2/1 ($75 discount)	$505.00 due 1st of the month September-May
	Monday-Thursday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm	$6,075.00	$5,975.00 ($100 discount)	$3,037.50 on 1st Day of School $2,962.50 on 2/1 ($75 discount)	$675.00 due 1st of the month September-May

Registration & Materials Fees: due at time of registration/non-refundable			
$120.00	Returning Friends Families (with $50 discount)	$170.00	New Friends Families

- **I understand my registration and material fees are non-refundable and are due at the time of registration.**
- **First tuition payment is due by the first day of school and any additional payments are due the first day of the month they are due.**

My child will be 4 years old prior to September 1, 2026, and is *fully, independently, potty trained* prior to the first day of school.

Registration for Friends Preschool & Kindergarten is available online at https://www.friendspreschool.org/

Click on "Register Here" at our website and fill out the applicable classroom form.

- You will receive an email letting you know if a spot is available. An invoice for Registration and Materials Fee will be attached.
- Registration is on a first-come basis and is contingent on payment of the Registration and Materials Fee.

Open registration for new families begins February 18, 2026