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**HARRIS Y
PRESCHOOL**

**PARENT GUIDE
2020-2021**



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HARRIS YMCA PRESCHOOL ACADEMY

2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR



Register online at ymcacharlotte.org

YMCA Members: FEB 1 | **Non-Members: FEB 15**

Potential Begins Here!

Our goal is to develop the whole child — physically, emotionally, socially and academically — in an age-appropriate early-learning environment. We believe preschool is a time for developing good learning habits and positive self-esteem. The Y encourages allows a child's natural curiosity to set our students up for a lifetime of learning and discovery.

Play-Based Learning

Play is the foundation for all learning for young children. Giving children opportunities and intentional guidance provides them with a variety of valuable learning experiences. Play fosters and develops language, problem solving and motor skills while allowing kids to dive into academic areas in a fun and meaningful way!

Classroom Environment

We provide a warm and secure atmosphere with Five areas of focus to help kids meet and exceed developmental milestones: learning, life skills, healthy habits, socialization and fine and gross motor skills. Our carefully designed classrooms, schedules and daily curriculum create an environment of support that allows children to develop their own ideas, express their feelings, take risks, make choices, and most of all, grow to be strong, thinking individuals.

Curriculum

A variety of multi-sensory experiences inspire a child's imagination and encourage motor development, such as circle time, creative play, music and make-believe. Children are exposed to lessons and activities focused on letter recognition, phonemic awareness, identifying shapes, numbers, colors and much more.

Experienced Teachers

Our experienced teachers enable each child to reach his or her highest potential by supporting children on their own learning path and timeline. We nurture a child's love of learning by encouraging inquisitive natures. Our low child-to-teacher ratios and small class sizes enable our teachers to spend quality teaching time with each child, assess each child's social, emotional, cognitive and physical growth and work to achieve the best learning outcomes.

Spanish Immersion

Preschool age children are adept at mimicking new sounds, adopting pronunciation, and trying new skills. That makes preschool the perfect time to introduce a second language. Our native Spanish speaking teachers provide a bilingual learning environment.

Program Enrichment

In addition to daily classroom activities, we offer special weekly activities across our YMCA campus as part of our curriculum. All ages enjoy music and chapel class and classes ages 3 and older also participate in Kid Fit, Gymnastics, Swimming Lessons, Sports, Cooking, and Dance with well-trained instructors.

Extended Day Options

Extended Day Options include Early Bird Club beginning at 8 AM and themed after school clubs and sports clinics until 2 PM. Options change based on each session and include themes such as cooking, seasonal activities, gymnastics, swimming, and more hands-on fun!

CLASSES AND PROGRAM COSTS (September 9, 2020–May 26, 2021 | 9:15AM–1:00 PM)

CLASS	DAYS	MEMBER (Per Month)**	Non-Members (Per Month)**
Toddler (16-23 Months) Teacher/Child Ratio 1:5 Class Maximum: 10			
Two day Toddler	T/TH	\$230	\$300
Two Year Olds (Must be 2 by August 31) Teacher/Child Ratio 1:6 Class Maximum: 12			
Two day Twos	T/TH	\$235	\$305
Three day Twos	M/W/F	\$280	\$360
Spanish Immersion	T/TH	\$245	\$320
Transitional 3s (Must be 3 by December 1) Teacher/Child Ratio 1:6 Class Maximum: 12			
Transitional 3s	M/W/F	\$280	\$360
Threes (Must be 3 by August 31) Teacher/Child Ratio 1:7 Class Maximum: 14			
Two day Threes	T/TH	\$240	\$312
Three day Threes	M/W/F	\$285	\$370
Spanish Immersion	M/W/F	\$295	\$390
Transitional 4s (Must be 4 by December 1) Teacher/Child Ratio 1:7 Class Maximum: 14			
Transitional 4s	T-F	\$315	\$410
Fours (Must be 4 by August 31) Teacher/Child Ratio 1:8 Class Maximum: 16			
Four day Fours	M-TH	\$310	\$405
Five day Fours	M-F	\$335	\$435
Spanish Immersion	M-TH	\$330	\$430
Transitional Kindergarten (Must be 5 by December 31) Teacher/Child Ratio 1:8 Class Maximum: 16			
Transitional Kindergarten	M-F	\$350	\$450

One Day Options (add-on or single day)

Marvelous Mondays (age 2-3)

Preschool Students	M	\$70	\$90
Non-preschool Students	M	\$120	\$155

Spanish Immersion Fridays (age 2-3)

Preschool Students	F	\$105	\$140
Non-preschool Students	F	\$140	\$180

Fabulous Fridays (with gymnastics) (age 3-5)

Preschool Students	F	\$105	\$140
Non-preschool Students	F	\$140	\$180

Important Registration Information

Three-year olds must be potty trained. Cancellations require a 15-day written notice. Families will be responsible for any tuition cost through the end of the 15-day notice. Tuition will be drafted on the 15th of each month from August to April and split into 9 equal payments based on the annual tuition cost. First draft will be August 15. Draft rates will be adjusted if registration takes place

Enrollment Fees

Registration Fee:

YMCA Member \$75, Non-member \$100

Supply Fee:

Toddler + 2's YMCA Member \$85, Non-member \$110

3's YMCA Member \$95/\$120

4's+ TK YMCA Member \$105/\$130

To learn more or schedule a tour contact:

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HARRIS YMCA PRESCHOOL ACADEMY 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR

August

29 Meet the Teacher

September

3 First day of School
Toddlers, SI 2's & T/Th 2's- ease in schedule 9:30-11:30
All other classes, Regular Hours 9:15-1:00

4 First Day of School
M/W/F 2's and T3's-ease in schedule 9:30-11:30
All other classes-Regular hours, 9:15-1:00

4 Early Bird Club Begins

4/5 Toddlers, SI 2's & 2's and T3 classes ease in schedule: 9:30-11:30

6 First Day of Fabulous Fridays Class and Spanish Immersion Fridays
(9:15-1:00)

6-8 Kids Consignment Sale

9/10 Full day for all preschoolers, 9:15-1:00

13 Popsicles on the Playground, 1:00

16 Session 1 of Clubs begins

October

9 Preschool Closed

21-25 Fall Progress Reports

23 Fall Pictures with St. John Photography

24 Fall Pictures with St. John Photography + Sibling Shots

28 Preschool Closed

29 Session 2 of Clubs Begin

31 Fall Festival 11:30am-1:00pm

TBD SI 4's, 4's and TK Field Trip to the Pumpkin Patch

November

5 Preschool Closed

6 Barnyard Friends @ the Harris YMCA

11 Preschool Closed-Veteran's Day

25-26 Classroom Thanksgiving Feasts

27-29 Preschool Closed- Thanksgiving Break

December

7 Breakfast with Santa
17/18 Christmas Programs + Pizza Party
19-31 Preschool Closed- Christmas Break

January

1-3 Preschool Closed
6 Preschool Resumes
6 Session 3 of Clubs Begin
20 Preschool Closed-MLK Holiday
21 -31 Parent-Teacher Conferences (3 year old classes, T4, 4's classes, TK)
(There will be no school on the day of your child's
conference.)
24 Preschool Closed
27 Priority Registration Begins for Current Preschool Families

February

1 Preschool Registration for Y Members Begins
13/14 Classroom Valentine Celebrations
15 Preschool Registration for Program Members
17 Preschool Closed- President's Day
18 Session 4 of Clubs begins

March

2-6 Preschool Spirit Week
11 Donuts for Dads:
3 Day 2's, T3, 3 Day 3, SI 3, T4, 5Day 4, TK Rosalyn
12 Donuts for Dads:
Toddlers, SI2, 2 Day 2, 2 Day 3, SI4, 4 Day 4, TK Claudia
25/26 Pedal For a Purpose
27 Preschool Closed
30 Session 5 of Clubs Begins
30-3 Teacher Appreciation Week

April

8 Spring Festival 11:30am-1:00pm
9-17 Preschool Closed-Spring Break
22 Spring Pictures with St. John's Photography
23 Spring Pictures -St. John's Photography (+Sibling shots)

May

6 Muffins for Mom:
3 Day 2's, T3, 3 Day 3, SI 3, T4, 5Day 4, TK Rosalyn
7 Muffins for Mom:
Toddlers, SI2, 2 Day 2, 2 Day 3, SI4, 4 Day 4, TK Claudia
19 4's and TK Graduation
20 End of Year Pool Party 11:00am-1:00pm

***The dates of some of these scheduled events may change. This list is to help you with advance planning. Any changes will be published in the class newsletters and preschool communication.**