



**SOUTH WASHINGTON COUNTY SCHOOLS
EARLY CHILDHOOD FAMILY EDUCATION
WINTER/SPRING, 2022
CLASS OFFERINGS & INFORMATION**

COTTAGE GROVE | NEWPORT | ST. PAUL PARK | WOODBURY | AFTON | DENMARK TOWNSHIP | GREY CLOUD ISLAND

**FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN BIRTH TO KINDERGARTEN
Classes begin the week of January 24th**

ECFE CLASS REGISTRATION LINK

Early Bird registration is November 29 – December 10. Random, computer generated class placement will begin Monday, December 13. After this date, classes will be filled on a first come, first served basis. **To register, go to <https://sowashco.ce.eleyo.com/>**

If you are in need of enrollment assistance or have questions, please call our Early Learning Office at 651-425-7181.

WHAT CAN I EXPECT WHEN ENROLLING IN AN ECFE CLASS?

While some of our classes focus on a non-separating parent child experience, a typical ECFE class has 3 components:

Parent/Child Interaction

During this time, parents and children will participate together in fun activities that support foundational learning, planned by a licensed early childhood teacher.

Parent Discussion Time

Parent discussion provides an opportunity to connect with other parents in a supportive environment. You will discuss and gain relevant information on topics related to supporting children's growth and development as well as group generated topics. A licensed parent educator facilitates the parent discussion component.

Early Childhood Education

As parents participate in parent discussion, children are participating in age appropriate learning activities planned by a licensed early childhood teacher. The activities that your child will participate in are intentionally planned to support social/emotional, language and literacy, creativity, cognitive, physical and motor development.

Please note: ECFE is provided with State funding for the purpose of family education and parent involvement. As a result, we are guided by state statute and require a parent or "relative" or "relatives" meaning non-custodial grandparents or other persons related to a child by blood, marriage, adoption, or foster placement to attend with the child. If you are interested in programming that allows for sending your child with a person that does not fit

the definition above, please consider our Community Education Preschool enrichment classes.

ECFE SITE LOCATIONS

Liberty Ridge Site 2 (LR2 EC Ctr)

11283 Eagle View Blvd, Suite 102

Woodbury, MN 55129-5359

ECFE/Preschool Enrollment Office: 651-425-7181

District Program Center (DPC)

8400 E Pt. Douglas Road S.

Cottage Grove, MN. 55016-3324

ECFE REGISTRATION INFORMATION

While creating your registration request, you will be able to indicate your class preference as well as make an alternative class selection. Payment information will be required during registration; however your payment will not be processed until your registration request is approved. ECFE is a partially State funded program and as a result the district is able to offer universal access based on a sliding fee scale. All families will have access to the program, and no one is turned away for the inability to pay. Fee scales are located at the end of this document. If you have questions regarding the fee scale, please call our enrollment office at 651-425-7181.

CONFIRMATIONS

Registration will be confirmed through email once all required information is complete. Please ensure that you have an updated email address within your registration to ensure updated ECFE communications. If you register during the initial registration period of November 29 through December 10, you will be notified by email or phone if we are not able to accommodate any of your choices.

CLASS CANCELLATION

If you decide to cancel a class without a replacement class, the following refund policy will apply: If you cancel a class before the start date, a processing fee will be deducted from your refund: Class Cost \$5-\$112 = \$5 processing fee, Class Cost \$113-\$240 = \$10 processing fee. Cancellation for the Friends class will follow the \$10 processing fee.

If you cancel after classes begin a pro-rated refund will be given up to 4 weeks of class. No refunds will be given after the 4th week of classes.

Classes and sibling care with insufficient enrollment may be canceled prior to the class start date. If this occurs, you would be notified and a full refund would be provided.

No refunds or class make-ups will be made when classes are canceled due to emergency school cancellations.

CLASS AGE RANGES

When reviewing the class offerings, you will find specified ages for each class. The age range pertains to the first day the class began in January. For example, a child enrolling in a toddler class with the age range of 12-24 months must be no younger than 12 months and no older than 24 months on the first day of class in January. The only exception is the ECFE Friends class in which the age range applies to September 1, 2021.

SIBLING CARE

Sibling care is a registration fee-based option and is offered for siblings who are kindergarten age and younger. Registration in sibling care is required for siblings of children attending an age specific class and do not meet the age range listed. Children that are 8 weeks or older must be registered for sibling care. Infants up to 8 weeks may remain with parents in the classroom. Please note: if you are planning to attend an ECFE class with a child that is a sibling and will turn 8 weeks within the class session, please register for sibling care to ensure appropriate staffing. The program is not able to serve drop-in sibling care needs.

IMMUNIZATION RECORDS & BIRTH CERTIFICATE

As a result of Minnesota state law, a current copy of your child's immunization record is required to be submitted to the ECFE office to complete your child's enrollment. In addition, a copy of your child's birth certificate is required for district enrollment purposes.

ECFE CLASS OFFERINGS

INFANTS

New Parent Connection

If you are a new parent and in our school community, register and join us! This popular class is facilitated by an ECFE Certified Infant Specialist/Licensed Parent Educator. In this class, you will be able to connect with other new parents, ask questions and share ideas related to adjusting to a new baby, feeding, sleeping and more. Upon registration, our infant specialist will contact you with virtual connection information. **Registration is required for this free class opportunity.**

AGE	DAY	TIME	LOCATION	START DATE	WEEKS	COURSE
B-3 mo	T	11:30-12:30 pm	Virtual	On-going	On-going	NPC003-2
3-9 mo	T	4:15-5:15 pm	Virtual	On-going	On-going	NPC412-2
3-12 mo	Th	6:00-7:15 pm	DPC (on-site)	1/27/22	17 weeks	NPC312-4E

Babies, Babies, Babies!

This full semester infant class will be on-site. This popular class is facilitated by an ECFE Certified Infant Specialist/Licensed Parent Educator. In this class, you will be able to connect with other new parents, ask questions and share ideas related to adjusting to a new baby, feeding, sleeping and more. Share the joy of experiencing milestones as your babies grow together throughout the semester.

AGE	DAY	TIME	LOCATION	START DATE	WEEKS	COURSE
2-9 mo	Th	10:30 -11:45 am	LR2 EC Ctr	1/27/22	17	LRW003-4

ECFE Baby Shower

If you have just welcomed a new baby to your family, or are expecting to soon, join us for our ECFE Baby Shower! During the baby shower, families will be introduced to the format of an ECFE class along and you will engage in fun interactive activities that support your infant's development. You will also be provided with a baby gift bag and some helpful community resources.

DAY	TIME	LOCATION	START DATE	WEEKS	COURSE
F	12:00-1:00 pm	LR2 EC Ctr	01/21/22	1	LR005-5

Toddlers/Twos

Toddlers and young twos are on the move and gaining independence as they explore the world around them. Licensed Early Childhood teachers will provide age-specific and fun learning activities just for toddlers/twos. In these classes, licensed parent educators provide a discussion time which includes sharing information about. Temperament, gaining cooperation, toilet learning, and other group generated topics related to this stage of development.

AGE	DAY	TIME	LOCATION	START DATE	WEEKS	COURSE
12-24 mo	M	8:30-10:00 am	LR2 EC Ctr	01/24/22	14	LRW104-1
9-18 mo	W	11:15-12:15 pm	LR2 EC Ctr	01/26/22	17	LRW110-3
12-24 mo	Th	8:30-10:00 am	LR2 EC Ctr	01/27/22	17	LRW106-4
12-24 mo	F	9:00-10:30 am	LR2 EC Ctr	01/28/22	15	LRW107-5
16-30 mo	Th	6:00-7:30 pm	LR2 EC Ctr	01/27/22	17	LRW108-4E
24-36 mo	M	9:30-11:30 am	LR2 EC Ctr	01/24/22	14	LRW202-1
24-36 mo	T	8:30-10:00 am	LR2 EC Ctr	01/25/22	16	LRW203-2
24-36 mo	W	8:45-10:45 am	LR2 EC Ctr	01/26/22	17	LRW204-3
24-36 mo	F	9:00-11:00 am	LR2 EC Ctr	01/28/22	15	LRW206-5
24-36 mo	M	8:30-10:00 am	DPC	01/24/22	14	DPW201-1

MULTI-AGE & SPECIAL TOPIC CLASSES

Birth to Five

Multi-age classes bring children between the ages of birth to age 5 together to learn and play. This class also provides the opportunity for siblings to attend the same class together. A range of parenting topics and activities especially designed for all levels of learning can be expected.

AGE	DAY	TIME	LOCATION	START DATE	WEEKS	COURSE
Birth-5yr	M	10:30-12:30 pm	LR2 EC Ctr	01/24/22	14	LRW505-1
Birth-5yr	T	10:30-12:00 pm	LR2 EC Ctr	01/25/22	16	LRW503-2
Birth-5yr	W	10:30-12:00 pm	LR2 EC Ctr	01/26/22	17	LRW506-3
Birth-5yr	F	11:00-12:30 pm	LR2 EC Ctr	01/28/22	15	LRW507-5
Birth-5yr	M	10:30-12:00 pm	DPC	01/24/22	14	DPW501-1
Birth-5yr	W	6:00-7:30 pm	LR2 EC Ctr	01/26/22	17	LRW504-3E

ECFE 2.0 – For Veteran ECFE Parents

If you are a veteran ECFE parent, this class is for you! Discussions are centered on information that goes beyond the traditional.

AGE	DAY	TIME	LOCATION	START DATE	WEEKS	COURSE
Birth-5yr	Th	10:00-12:00 pm	LR2 EC Ctr	01/27/22	17	LRW502-4

Messy Art

Dress for mess and artistic success! Young children are free to smear, squeeze, splatter and otherwise explore artistic possibilities in our sensory tables, writing tables and giant paper painting fun. Storybook sharing inspires new ideas and creativity as children work with a variety of materials. Parenting topics in the Monday and Friday sessions will include the importance of art as well as everyday parenting situations. *Tuesday session will be a non-separating parent/child activity class only.

AGE	DAY	TIME	LOCATION	START DATE	WEEKS	COURSE
2-5 yrs	F	9:00-11:00 am	LR2 EC Ctr	01/28/22	15	LRW703-5
2-5 yrs	M	6:00-7:30 pm	LR2 EC Ctr	01/24/22	14	LRW704-1E
2-5 yrs	T	5:45-7:00 pm	DPC	01/25/22	17	DPW702-2E

Music & Movement

Movement is crucial to young children's development. This class provides a time for parents to participate in movement activities with their children, learning about the connection of movement to young children's foundational learning. Parents will also gain fun ideas for supporting children's active learning and physical health.

AGE	DAY	TIME	LOCATION	START DATE	WEEKS	COURSE
12-30 mo	T	10:30-12:00 pm	LR2 EC Ctr	01/25/22	16	LRW706-2
30 mo-5 yrs	M	3:00 - 4:30 pm	LR2 EC Ctr	01/24/22	14	LRW709-1

Language, Literacy and Learning

During the first years of life, children undergo major developmental changes across a range of domains. Parents play a critical role in a child's language and literacy development. Join this class to learn fun everyday ways to encourage language and literacy development at home.

AGE	DAY	TIME	LOCATION	START DATE	WEEKS	COURSE
2-5 yrs	Th	10:30-12:00 pm	LR2 EC Ctr	01/27/22	17	LRW707-4

Just for 3s and 4s – Fun with Books

In this non-separating parent/child activity class will explore books from some of the favorite children's authors with fun activities for you to experience with your child related to our stories that will spark your child's imagination.

AGE	DAY	TIME	LOCATION	START DATE	WEEKS	COURSE
3-4 yrs	F	11:30-12:45 pm	LR2 EC Ctr	01/28/22	15	LRW708-5

Parenting Children with Special Needs

This class provides an opportunity for parents to gather with other parents and a licensed ECFE parent educator for information, resources and support. This online class will include information on topics such as self care, advocacy, sibling relationships, and encouraging your child's self-esteem.

AGE	DAY	TIME	LOCATION	START DATE	WEEKS	COURSE
Birth-5 yrs	W	1:30-2:30 pm	Virtual	Ongoing	17	LR509-3

Parenting Across Cultures

In this class, children will have the opportunity to socialize and make friends with others from a variety of cultural backgrounds. During the shared-learning parent discussion, the group will share parenting practices and experiences from their own culture and discuss how culture influences our parenting and our families.

AGE	DAY	TIME	LOCATION	START DATE	WEEKS	COURSE
Birth-8yrs	W	6:00-7:30 pm	LR2 EC Ctr	01/26/22	16	LRW705-3E

STEM for Preschoolers

Our STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) class will provide fun hands-on activities that foster children's sense of curiosity about the natural world around them. Parent discussion will involve guidance and support for children's exploration and wonder of the world around them and identify opportunities for children to acquire life-long skills for learning.

AGE	DAY	TIME	LOCATION	START DATE	WEEKS	COURSE
3-5 yrs	M	6:00-7:30 pm	LR2 EC Ctr	01/24/22	14	LRW710-1E

Young Parents – Parents up to age 24 (Free)

Join us for dinner and discussion with other young parents in our community. This class will also provide parent/child learning activities, early childhood education for your child and support as well as resource connection.

AGE	DAY	TIME	LOCATION	START DATE	WEEKS	COURSE
Birth-5yrs	Th	5:30-7:30 pm	DPC	09/09/21	2x/Month	DP508-4E

Drop In Play Sessions

Drop in play sessions provide the opportunity for you and your child(ren) to pop in for some parent/child ECFE fun. Most Sessions are weekly and run from September through May based on the ECFE program calendar. Registration is **not** required and sessions are **free**.

AGE	DAY	TIME	LOCATION	START DATE	END DATE
Birth-5yrs	M	11:30-12:45 pm	LR2 EC Ctr	09/13/21	05/23/22
Birth-5 yrs	W	11:30-12:45 pm	LR2 EC Ctr	09/08/21	05/25/22
Birth-5 yrs	F	11:30-12:45 pm	LR2 EC Ctr	09/08/21	05/27/22
3-5yrs	T	3:00-4:30 pm	DPC	09/08/21	05/24/22
3-5 yrs	Th	3:00-4:30 pm	DPC	09/10/21	05/26/22

Drop In Play and ECFE classes will not occur on the following dates 2nd semester:

January 17-21 (ECFE Semester Break)

March 7-14

February 18-22

April 15, 25

ECFE Friends Preschool Transition Class

Facilitated by a licensed Early Childhood teacher and licensed Parent and Family Educator, this class is a supportive transitional experience for preschool. The first semester provides a parent/child once per week class first semester with a child only day added in the second semester when it becomes a twice per week experience. On parent/child days, parents will participate in a parent/child activity time as well as separating for a parent discussion. Although this class began in the fall, new enrollees are welcome, space permitting.

AGE	DAY	TIME	LOCATION	START DATE	WEEKS	COURSE
31-36 mos	M – P/C	9:00-11:00 am	LR2 EC Ctr	M – P/C begins 09/13/21	15	LR208-1
	W – Child only added 2 nd semester			W – Child only begins 01/26/22	17	
31-36 mos	T – P/C	9:30-11:30 am	DPC	T – P/C begins 09/07/21	16	DP207-2
	Th – Child only added 2 nd semester			Th – Child only begins 01/27/22	17	

ECFE Friends Fee Scale

ECFE Friends		
Family Income	Monthly	Sibling Care/ Semester
\$200,00 +	\$73	\$112
\$100,000 – 199,999	\$56	\$95
\$75,000 – 99,999	\$39	\$78
\$60,000 – 74,999	\$33	\$61
\$45,000 – 59,999	\$27	\$44
\$30,000 – 44,999	\$22	\$27
\$29,999 & under	\$16	\$10

ECFE FEE SCALES

Class fees are per child and not per family. If you have questions regarding the fee scale, please call our ECFE office at 651-425-7181.

14 Weeks					
Family Income	1 Hour Class	1.25 Hour Class	1.5 Hour Class	2 Hour Class	Sibling Care
\$200,00 +	\$112	\$140	\$168	\$224	\$112
\$100,000 – 199,999	\$98	\$123	\$147	\$196	\$96
\$75,000 – 99,999	\$84	\$105	\$126	\$168	\$80
\$60,000 – 74,999	\$70	\$88	\$105	\$140	\$64
\$45,000 – 59,999	\$56	\$70	\$84	\$112	\$48
\$30,000 – 44,999	\$42	\$53	\$63	\$84	\$32
\$29,999 & under	\$28	\$35	\$42	\$56	\$16

15 Weeks					
Family Income	1 Hour Class	1.25 Hour Class	1.5 Hour Class	2 Hour Class	Sibling Care
\$200,00 +	\$120	\$150	\$180	\$240	\$105
\$100,000 – 199,999	\$105	\$131	\$158	\$210	\$90
\$75,000 – 99,999	\$90	\$113	\$135	\$180	\$75
\$60,000 – 74,999	\$75	\$94	\$113	\$150	\$60
\$45,000 – 59,999	\$60	\$75	\$90	\$120	\$45
\$30,000 – 44,999	\$45	\$56	\$68	\$90	\$30
\$29,999 & under	\$30	\$38	\$45	\$60	\$15

16 Weeks					
Family Income	1 Hour Class	1.25 Hour Class	1.5 Hour Class	2 Hour Class	Sibling Care
\$200,00 +	\$128	\$160	\$192	\$256	\$112
\$100,000 – 199,999	\$112	\$140	\$168	\$224	\$96
\$75,000 – 99,999	\$96	\$120	\$144	\$192	\$80
\$60,000 – 74,999	\$80	\$100	\$120	\$160	\$64
\$45,000 – 59,999	\$64	\$80	\$96	\$128	\$48
\$30,000 – 44,999	\$48	\$60	\$72	\$96	\$32
\$29,999 & under	\$32	\$40	\$48	\$64	\$16

17 Weeks					
Family Income	1 Hour Class	1.25 Hour Class	1.5 Hour Class	2 Hour Class	Sibling Care
\$200,00 +	\$136	\$170	\$204	\$272	\$105
\$100,000 – 199,999	\$119	\$149	\$179	\$238	\$90
\$75,000 – 99,999	\$102	\$128	\$153	\$204	\$75
\$60,000 – 74,999	\$85	\$106	\$128	\$170	\$60
\$45,000 – 59,999	\$68	\$85	\$102	\$136	\$45
\$30,000 – 44,999	\$51	\$64	\$77	\$102	\$30
\$29,999 & under	\$34	\$43	\$51	\$68	\$15