

PRESCHOOL SCREENING

The Early Childhood Pre-school staff conduct preschool screenings that are available to all children in Newburyport who are three and four years old. This developmental screening can indicate whether more specific information or evaluation is needed in a particular area of development. Screening is announced in the local news media. This year's screenings are scheduled for December 13th and March 14th. Screenings are also available throughout the year by appointment on Fridays.

PLACEMENT CRITERIA

Students are enrolled in the Early Childhood Program based upon their development, age, ability and availability.

1. Typically developing students seeking a preschool experience are granted placement in the program through a lottery. If there are more student applicants than spaces available a wait list is developed. Typically developing students pay tuition to attend the program based upon the model they are enrolled in.

2. A student may be referred for an evaluation by a parent or any person in a care giving or professional position concerned with the student's development. Eligibility for the program is determined by a team of professionals qualified to evaluate preschool age children. Once eligibility is determined the team determines goals prior to a placement decision and then a classroom and teacher match is made.

OUR INTEGRATED TEAM

Michelle Clark/Lisa Gibbs
Psychologist/Adjustment Counselor



Jennifer Bingham
Classroom Teacher



Linda Dodge
ABA Classroom Teacher



Tanasi Fahey
Classroom Teacher



Giovanna Foster
Classroom Teacher



Elizabeth Hayes Lisa Bartholomew
Speech and Language Pathologists



Lisa Mosquera
BCBA-Board Certified Behavior Analyst



Suzanne Simon
Classroom Teacher



Jeannine Stanley
Independent Development Teacher



Pamela Vecchio
Occupational Therapist



Carolyn Wilson
Team Facilitation Coordinator

NEWBURYPORT PUBLIC SCHOOLS

NEWBURYPORT EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM

AT THE



BRESNAHAN SCHOOL



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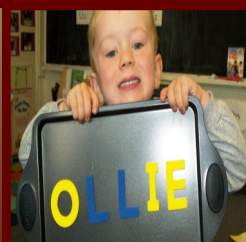
September 2014 Location:
The **NEW** BRESNAHAN School
333 High Street
Newburyport, MA 01950

OVERVIEW

The Newburyport Public Schools' preschool program is an inclusive, developmentally appropriate preschool program. The program is designed to meet the needs of children ages three to five years. Participants in the program are children who represent a wide variety of backgrounds, skill levels and abilities. Additionally, our integrated staff provides a full service model offering inclusive practices and therapies that insure best practices for all students.

WHY CHOOSE THE NEWBURYPORT EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM FOR YOUR CHILD'S PRESCHOOL EXPERIENCE?

- Brand new state of the art facility opening in September 2014 with the most advanced technology, equipment, and play areas!
- All teachers hold Master's Degrees and are dually certified holding MA state licensure in both early childhood education and special education.
- High teacher to student ratio— all class sizes have <15 students to 3 adults.
- Students entering our preschool program will transition to their elementary experience for grades K-3 in the same building and will have the opportunity to spend up to 6 years at the New Bresnahan!



PHILOSOPHY

Our integrated program follows the Massachusetts Guidelines for Preschool Learning Experiences as well as then National Common Core Standards and we are currently in the process of becoming NAEYC accredited.

We believe:

- All children have individual differences which are best met through high quality teaching and differentiated instruction.
- Young children learn by **doing!**
- Learning is structured through play and meaningful activities in a developmental sequence.
- A rich variety of learning experiences— visual, auditory, and physical are integrated in the curriculum through individual, partnered, small group and large group activities to help children engage in academic and social experiences.
- Classroom teachers, specialists, therapists and assistants provided a comprehensive program designed to match the individual student needs.
- Our full service model including specialists, special educators, and classroom teachers provide a rich compliment of best practices for all students.

PROGRAMS

PRESCHOOL MODEL: Designed for 3 year olds who are experiencing their first year in school. It is an integrated program structured through play and meaningful activities in a developmental sequence that is center-based and includes skills embedded during circle time.

PRE-KINDERGARTEN MODEL: Designed for 4 year olds and younger 5 year olds who miss the kindergarten cut-off. The pre-kindergarten model also follows the integrated model the students are introduced to as 3-year olds but also incorporates more advanced academic skills and kindergarten readiness skills in alignment with the national common core standards.

TUITION/DAYS OFFERED— CURRENT SCHOOL YEAR

SUBJECT TO CHANGE

<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>DAYS/ TIME</u>	<u>MONTHLY/ ANNUAL TUITION</u>
3 year old Preschool, 1/2 day	M– Th 8:45-11:30 AM	\$320 per month \$3200 annually
4-5 year old Pre-Kinder. 1/2 day	M-Th 12:30-3:15 PM	\$300 per month \$3000 annually
5 day Extended Day	M-F 8:45 AM– 1:15 PM	\$550 per month \$5000 annually
5 day Pre-Kinder. Full Day	M-F 8:45 AM—3:15 PM	\$700 per month \$7000 annually



2014.2015 OFFERINGS & REGISTRATION

We are currently developing our variety of pre-school offerings for the New Bresnahan School. Next year's offerings will be announced by January 2014 and Preschool registration for the 2014-2015 school year will take place in February 2014. Please check our website frequently for updates- www.newburyport.k12.ma.us/brown