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General Information for the 2012-13 School Year

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CLASS TIMES Morning (3s): Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9:15-11:30 AM
 Afternoon (4s): Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 12:30-2:45 PM

FEEES Registration: \$80.00 (annual fee, per family)
 Tuition: \$135.00 (per month, per child)

Post-dated cheques for the school term are due at the September General Meeting.

EXPECTATIONS OF SEYMOUR HEIGHTS PRESCHOOL MEMBERS:

The most frequently question asked when someone is considering joining a Parent Participation Preschool is, "How much time do I need to give?"

The cooperative preschool experience is rewarding for you and your child. The greater your involvement, the more fulfilling your experience will be. Your time commitment is as follows:

- Complete at least 10 hours of "Orientation" prior to starting parent helper days (or "duty days".) These hours are necessary for educational preparation and to familiarize you with the program and other members of the Preschool. This Orientation is required by all parents in order to meet Government Licensing Regulations. The hours are broken down below:

OBSERVATION OF THE PRESCHOOL..... 2.5 HOURS
 WINE AND CHEESE PARTY 2.5 HOURS
 JUNE ANNUAL MEETING 2.5 HOURS
 ORIENTATION WORKSHOP..... 3-4 HOURS
 READING OF PARENT MANUAL HALF HOUR

- Perform Parent Helper Days (or “duty days”.) You will assist in the supervision of the classroom approximately once every two weeks. Parent Helpers arrive 20 minutes before the session to set up and meet with the Teacher; they remain afterwards for clean up. Most parents find this time spent at the school is not a “duty”, but a pleasure.
- Attend Monthly General Meetings. The Preschool organizes top quality speakers or workshops on a variety of Parent Education topics. This fulfills Government Regulations and comes at no extra cost for the families. A brief business meeting follows the coffee break / social time. These meetings are held at the Preschool the first Wednesday of every month and begin at 7:30 PM sharp.
- Serve on the Executive Board or do one of the other Preschool jobs. These jobs can be as complex as the Treasurer or as simple as doing the Preschool weekly laundry.
- Participate in the Preschool’s fundraising activities. Fundraising is directed to the purchase of equipment for the school as well as assisting in operating costs. A variety of options are made available for families.
- Participate in seasonal clean ups.

YOUR PARTICIPATION

There is no doubt that Parent Participation does need you to give some time, but for that commitment your child will be sharing a wide variety of experiences and relationships. The Parents who enjoy the program the most are those who become involved, either with the children on ‘duty days’ or in the running of the school. It’s also a great way for the adults to make friends! Like everything else, you get out of it what you put into it.

If you would like some more information or want to talk about anything to do with the school, you can check out our website, call the preschool, or contact the Orientation or Enrollment Chair.