

Woodland Schoolhouse

2025-2026

1031 Alexandria Pike, Fort Thomas, KY 41075

Tuesdays & Thursdays:
3-5 year olds- 9:00-12:00
6-13 year olds- 9:00-2:00

Mission and Promise

Woodland Schoolhouse is a program dedicated to enriching the lives of preschool and homeschooling families with children ages 3-13 years old. With a firm belief in following the child, students will be respected and nurtured in their natural pursuits of understanding the world around them. To provide a loving, gentle, and joyous environment for our young explorers is of utmost importance. Never impeding on their physical health with added environmental toxins (all cleaning products will be alternative/ green), nor unnatural materials (very little, if any plastic materials present) and offering only whole, organic foods and drinks. To respect and love all children as if they're our own is our greatest honor.

Curriculum Overview

Woodland Schoolhouse will be an eclectic mix of Montessori, Reggio Emilia, and Unit Studies methods of education. Our unit studies will rotate every two months as we explore practical life and career studies with cross-curricular connections.

Reading and Mathematics will be explored in a developmentally appropriate way in which each student is met where they are and will have ample time to master each concept before moving onto the next level. Montessori language (reading) methods and materials will be utilized for phonetic reading, writing, and reading comprehension. Mathematics will be taught through a mixture of Montessori methods and materials and IXL Math curriculums. Music, Spanish and Art will all be explored in relation to the overarching practical life and career studies.

Procedures

Drop-off: Please assist your child in brief departures via the carline. Before entry into the classroom children will remove their shoes, place backpacks on benches, use the restroom and wash hands.

Pickup: As a group, we will meet parents at the back door for a carline departure. Please ensure all cars can fit in the parking lot by pulling forward, past the door and as close to Grant Street as possible.

To Bring: backpack with reusable water bottle, snack (reptiles) or lunch (mammals and birds), change of clothes, outdoor shoes (hiking boots, rain boots, or old gym shoes) gear for the weather (snowsuit, hat, gloves).

Schoolhouse Schedule

Reptiles (3-5 year olds)		Mammals (6-9 year olds)		Birds (10-13 year olds)	
9:00-9:10	Arrival: belongings away, restroom, shoes off, enter rooms	9:00-9:10	Arrivals: belongings away, restroom, shoes off, enter rooms	9:00-9:10	Arrivals: belongings away, restroom, shoes off, enter rooms
9:10-10:00	Core Block 1:	9:10-9:50	Enrichment Block 1 (Music or Spanish and Art)	9:10-10:20	Book Club: reports, discussions, writing mechanics, book buddies
10:00-10:50	Core Block 2	9:50-10:30	Enrichment Block 2 (Music or Spanish and Art)	10:20-11:20	Practical Life and Career Studies
10:50-11:50	Gross Motor and Snack (outdoor or play space): social/emotional read aloud and snack, exercise and play	10:30-11:30	Gross Motor (outdoor or fellowship hall): exercise and unstructured play	11:20-12:15	Lunch and Social
11:50-12:00	Conclusions: review, pack up and goodbyes	11:30-12:00	Lunch and Regroup	12:15-1:00	Spanish through Art
12:00	Departures: exit to carline	12:00-1:00	Core Block 1 (Reading or Math)	1:00-2:00	Mathematics as Financial Literacy
		1:00-2:00	Core Block 2 (Reading or Math)	2:00-2:15	Departures: recap, goodbyes, pack up, shoes on, exit to carline or break to extracurriculars
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Goals Folder

Each child will receive a goals folder on the first day. These will come home at the end of each month for the children to share their learning and will return the next week. The main document within the folders is a set of goals/standards for the year. This is a living document; it will consistently be revisited as a team effort between the teachers of Woodland Schoolhouse and the teachers of their home studies.

Holidays/Celebrations

Holidays will be left to parents/families to celebrate as they see fit. Therefore, we will not celebrate any holidays together in Woodland Schoolhouse aside from the Sun Celebration. The Sun Celebration is a way to honor another year around the sun on a child's birthday. The child will hold a globe and "orbit" around the sun candle in the center of the circle of friends as we sing a special song for the birthday child. For the celebration we will ask the child their most treasured memory or milestone (i.e. learned to ride their bike, became a big sister/brother, learned to read their first words, mastered all letter sounds, etc.) from the year. We will tell stories about the birthday child and truly celebrate their trip around the sun! No treats nor trinkets are necessary.

Extracurriculars

There are opportunities for the mammals and birds to participate in extracurriculars which occur from 2:15-3:00, one day per week. These clubs and teams have previously included Run Team, Dance, Martial Arts, and Street Hockey. Extracurriculars are subject to change and/or additional offerings could be added based on desire. If you have a special talent and a willingness to teach, we are open to new ideas! Final decisions will be made by July of 2025. Extracurriculars are \$35 per month, per program. Participation is a 5 month (at least) obligation once signed up.

Tuition

Payment is due on or before the 3rd of each month. A 5% late fee will accrue in the event of late payment. Venmo: @Emily-Bankemper (last four digits: 7408). Please label each payment as follows: Schoolhouse-Month-Child's first and last name. Example: Schoolhouse-September-Jack Gillum.

*Reptiles (3-5 year olds): \$220 per month. A one-time supply fee of \$200 is due along with the enrollment documents in order to hold your child's place in the program. This fee covers folders, art project materials, basic school supplies and any consumables that will be taken home at the conclusion of the school year. The supply fee is non-refundable.

*Mammals (6-9 year olds) and Birds (10-13 year olds): \$280 per month. A one-time supply fee of \$200 is due along with the enrollment documents in order to hold your child's place in the program. This fee covers their core subject workbooks, folders, art project materials, basic school supplies and any consumables that will be taken home at the conclusion of the school year. The supply fee is non-refundable.

One month's notice is required if leaving Woodland Schoolhouse before the end of the calendar year (August-May). This allows time for another family to fill the void. If the proper notice isn't provided 1/2 month's tuition will be kept or charged in order to supplement the unfilled void.

Communication

We have a very active and supportive community established by our wonderful families of the past and present. We keep in touch about the many events, playdates, questions, and more on our private Facebook group. The group is called Parents of Woodland Schoolhouse and will require an invitation and/or approval by an admin to join. This will be the main mode of posting updates and communication to the families as a whole. Additionally, every parent should have direct communication to their child's teacher for necessary times. These phone numbers will be shared at the beginning of the school year.

Quarterly Events and Socials

Our social committee orchestrates a quarterly events in which we all join together to connect deeper and truly foster a sense of community. All events are optional, of course, but lots of fun for all! Events of the past have included: Friendsgiving, a school dance, a spring flea, and the end of year celebration. All events are announced via our private Facebook group. Additionally, all parents are welcome to post on the group page to invite others to join in on fun social gatherings outside of school (birthday parties, field trips, park meet-ups etc.).

Volunteer Days

As a community we play together and work together! There will be two opportunities for service throughout the school year of which each parent is only required to attend one. There will be a beginning (late July), and end (beginning of June) volunteer day lasting approximately three hours. Exact dates are TBD.

Calendar

- First Day: Tuesday, August 5th
- Autumn Break: week of November 25th
- Winter Break: week of December 23rd, and week of December 30th
- Spring Break: week of April 7th
- Last Day: Thursday, May 28th