

Tewksbury Public Schools Preschool Programs

2021-2022



For the 2021-2022 School Year, preschool programs have changed. Please refer to this document for the most up to date information.



For the 2021-2022 school year only, all Tewksbury Public Preschool programs are available to Tewksbury students regardless of school district residency (Heath Brook or Dewing). For one year only, families do NOT need to register for a program in their home-school. This is for preschool only and due to space capacities. As students transition to Kindergarten, families must register their child for their home location.

Half day programs will be located at the Dewing School. Full-day programs will be located at the Heath Brook School. This is due to current space availability. This model will likely change for the 2022-2023 school year.

Planning for the 2021-2022 school year will be based on a program model for a typical year. Should programmatic changes need to be made, due to restrictions resulting from the COVID 19 Pandemic, families will be notified of any changes to programming, scheduling and/or cost.

Open enrollment for all programs will begin on **April 5, 2021 at 7:00 am**. You must enroll through <https://register.communitypass.net/>

Space is limited for all programs.

Dewing School
Integrated Preschool
1469 Andover Street
Tewksbury, MA 01876



**The Integrated Preschool Program is offered
5 days per week for half-days only.**

For the 2021-2022 school year, the Integrated Preschool Program at the Dewing offers half-day preschool for Tewksbury Residents ages 3-5. Families do not need to reside in the Dewing District to access this program.

4 Year-Old Session
Monday-Friday, 8:00-10:15 AM
3 Year-Old Session
Monday-Friday, 12:15-2:30 PM

Tuition for 2021-2022 School Year
\$240.00/month

Dewing School Integrated Preschool

The preschool program offers a child-centered curriculum. The program is designed to create a structured learning environment which fosters creativity, independence and community building. The social-emotional learning needs of each student are addressed. The program focuses on preparing students for Kindergarten. The curriculum is aligned with Massachusetts Curriculum Standards. Students learn through play and exploration of their environment. Daily activities include language arts, math, readiness, and structured activities for social development.

The Integrated Preschool supports a population of diverse learners and is developed to support students who are receiving special education services in an inclusive learning environment. The preschool is developed to meet the individualized learning needs of all students. Staff are DESE licensed early childhood special educators and related service providers.

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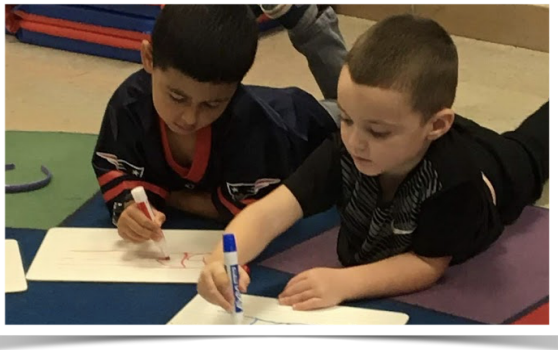
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**Community Service Preschool
Heath Brook School
165 Shawsheen Street
Tewksbury, MA 01876**



The Community Services Preschool Program is offered 5 days per week for full-days only.

For the 2021-2022 school year, the Community Services Preschool Program offers full-day preschool for Tewksbury Residents ages 3-5. Families do not need to reside in the Heath Brook District to access this program.

Monday-Friday, 8:25-2:30 PM

**Tuition for 2021-2022 School Year
\$675.00/month**

The preschool program offers a child-centered curriculum. The program is designed to create a structured learning environment which fosters creativity, independence and community building. The social-emotional learning needs of each student are addressed. The program focuses on preparing students for Kindergarten. The curriculum is aligned with Massachusetts Curriculum Standards. Students learn through play and exploration of their environment. Daily activities include language arts, math, readiness, and structured activities for social development. The longer, full-day option allows for lunch, recess and a rest period.

Classes are taught by a DESE licensed preschool teacher and an aide, who cooperatively support the children in their learning.

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**Tewksbury Memorial High School
Preschool Program
320 Pleasant Street
Tewksbury, MA 01876**



1/2 day Preschool

5 Mornings

Monday-Friday

9:00-12:00

Cost: \$50.00 enrollment fee. No additional tuition.

*This program teaches high school students how to work with 4/5 year-old children who are demonstrating age appropriate developmental skills. High School students assigned to the class transition every 68 minutes. As a result, multiple students will work with young children attending the preschool program. Students who attend this class must be able to manage multiple staff transitions, loud bells and multiple announcements. The class is capped at 15 preschool students.

*This program is for students who will turn 4 by August 31, 2021. Orientation for TMHS Program-September 13, 2021. Start Date for TMHS Program: September 16, 2021.

THMS Preschool is a part-time public preschool which offers a fun, safe and secure learning environment. The goal of the program is to address the total development of the child through a mixture of free play and planned activities designed and created by following the Preschool Massachusetts State Frameworks.

The program is staffed with high school students who are enrolled in the high school child care classes and who are learning to teach. The high school students gain incredible hands-on experience while the preschool children benefit from the favorable low student/teacher/child ratio. High School Students are supervised by a Licensed Teacher. There is a private bathroom for preschool students in the classroom.

The preschool program has a separate entrance by the playground.

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Frequently Asked Questions for Dewing and Heath Brook Preschools

I live in the Heath Brook district, may I enroll my child at the Dewing Preschool/I live in the Dewing district, may I enroll my child at the Heath Brook School?

Yes. For the 2021-2022 School Year **ONLY**, we are offering ½ day sessions at the Dewing School and full-day sessions at the Heath Brook School. Thus, you may register for your preferred program. Please note, this is for the 2021-2022 school year only and is based upon building capacity.

My child does not turn three until November. May I register him/her for preschool?

No. If you plan to enroll your child in a community slot as a 3-year-old, s/he must turn three by August 31, 2021. If you plan to enroll your child in a community slot as a 4-year-old, s/he must turn four by August 31, 2021.

At the Dewing, why can't I enroll my 3 year-old child in the morning session?

At the Dewing, our classrooms are primarily grouped by age. This allows our teachers to differentiate the learning experience based on age. There may be times when teams make recommendations for placement in a different-aged classroom, but these recommendations are made on an individual basis and only after observation and data collection.

How do I enroll in the programs?

Open enrollment will begin on **April 5, 2021 at 7:00 am**. There are a select number of open slots available for each of the preschool programs. ***Students who have previously attended the preschool program will have priority, prior to the open enrollment date.*** All other openings will be filled on a **first-come, first-serve basis**. Once you enroll in the program on Community Pass on or after April 1, and have paid your deposit of the first month's tuition, you will receive a confirmation via email. You must then complete your registration with Central Registration during the designated time frame. The time slots will be sent to you via email. Enrollment and deposits for all programs must be completed using Community Pass. Please visit our website <https://register.communitypass.net/>

I already have a Community Pass Account, what should I do?

If you already have an account, you may add your preschool child to this account. Be sure to choose "Prek-Kindergarten" as your student's grade (not Infant/Toddler). This must be

done prior to the enrollment date to facilitate the enrollment process.

I don't have a Community Pass Account, what should I do?

To create an account you will need to add yourself and your student to the account. Be sure to choose "Prek-Kindergarten" as your student's grade (not Infant/Toddler). This must be done prior to the enrollment date to facilitate the enrollment process.

Will there be an information session?

Yes, we will offer a virtual information session to be posted on our website by **March 15, 2021**.

What is the start date?

The start date for both the Dewing and Heath Brook programs will be on the first day of school (date TBD)

Do I need to make a tuition deposit?

A deposit of your child's first month of tuition is due upon completion of enrollment in Community Pass.

Will there be any changes to the programs?

Due to the restrictions placed on public schools, a number of changes to our program were made during the 2020-2021 school year. While we anticipate and hope that the program will run without similar restrictions, we cannot guarantee this. Families will be informed of any changes in programming resulting from restrictions.