



*Tewksbury Public Schools
139 Pleasant Street
Tewksbury, MA 01876*

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Dear Parents,

Sometimes, choosing a preschool for your child can seem like an overwhelming task. If you are looking for a program for your three- or four-year old, Tewksbury Public Schools has three options from which to choose. ***Open enrollment for the 2018-2019 school year for all preschool programs in Tewksbury Public Schools begins on January 24th.***

There are a variety of preschool experiences that encompass full- and part-time classes in several different schools. Classes will be held at the Heath Brook and Dewing Schools as well as at Tewksbury Memorial High School next year. Tewksbury Public School preschool programs include exciting, child-centered instruction across all developmental levels including social/emotional, cognitive, motor, and communication. Staff in the preschool programs bring energy and experience to each classroom.

Please take a look at the enclosed program descriptions to learn more about the programs. You can also find more information at the Tewksbury Public Schools website: www.tewksbury.k12.ma.us. Each program description contains a summary of the program and explains location, days, hours, cost and how to sign up. If you have questions about any program, please contact the person listed on the program descriptions. Parents and families are invited to attend one of our information sessions:

*Tuesday, January 23, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. at the Tewksbury Public Library or
Tuesday, January 23, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at Tewksbury Memorial High School.*

Our staff is excited to welcome you to the Tewksbury Public Schools and hopes you will find a preschool program for your child here.

Sincerely,

Jan H. Fuller

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Tewksbury
Integrated
Preschool
at the
Dewing School

There are seven separate classes for preschool children in the Integrated Preschool. Each class has seven or eight community students and up to seven students with special needs who attend school because of the services provided in their IEP. Classrooms are primarily grouped by age, but may be multi-aged depending on children's skills and development. Open enrollment for the 2018-2019 school year begins on January 24, 2018. Parents may contact Ms. Luppi at tewksburypreschool@tewksbury.k12.ma.us to reserve your child's spot.

The preschool uses *Big Day for PreK*, a theme-based curriculum, aligned with the Early Childhood Learning Standards for Programs for Three- and Four-Year Olds and the Common Core State Standards and published by Houghton-Mifflin-Harcourt. The classrooms are designed to help each child realize his/her own potential and provide a solid foundation for future learning. The curriculum provides active learning experiences in four developmental areas of a children's growth: communication, cognitive, physical and social emotional.

Classes at the Integrated Preschool are taught by Early Childhood Specialists who are DESE licensed special education teachers and are supported by Classroom Instructional Aides. This program is also supported by Speech Language Therapy, Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy services for children on IEP's as well as classroom enrichment activities in those specialty areas for all students. These specialists also provide consultation to the classroom teachers as needed for all students in the program.

Location of PreK: Loella F. Dewing School
1469 Andover Street

Days/Times: Four half-days: Monday-Thursday 8:15-10:45 or Tuesday-Thursday 11:45 a.m.-2:15 p.m.
(School hours may be extended through the Community Services Preschool at the Dewing School. Please speak with Ms. Luppi if you want to know more about this option for your child.)

Cost: \$240.00/month

Enrollment begins January 24th by contacting Diane Luppi at tewksburypreschool@tewksbury.k12.ma.us to reserve your child's spot. **More information on how to register will be available at the information session on January 23, 2018.**

Questions? Contact: Jan Fuller at the Dewing School: 978-640-7858, jfuller@tewksbury.k12.ma.us



**Preschool at
Tewksbury
Memorial
High School**

TMHS Preschool Program revolves around the waterfall high school schedule. Preschool will run five days a week from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. It 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 located in the Tewksbury Memorial High School. The classroom has its own separate entrance to the building adjacent to a fenced-in outdoor play area. The program is staffed with high school students who are enrolled in the high school child care classes. The high school students gain incredible hands-on experience while the preschool children benefit from the favorably low student/teacher/child ratio.

Open enrollment for the 2018-2019 school year begins January 24, 2018. Parents may contact Ms. Luppi at tewksburypreschool@tewksbury.k12.ma.us to reserve your child's spot.

**More information on how to register will be available at the information session on
January 23, 2018.**

Location of PreK: Tewksbury Memorial High School
320 Pleasant Street
Tewksbury, MA 01876

Days/Times: Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (there are no part-time options)

Cost: \$50.00 one-time registration fee

Enroll after January 23rd by contacting Diane Luppi at tewksburypreschool@tewksbury.k12.ma.us to reserve your child's spot

Questions? Contact: Jan Fuller at the Dewing School (978-640-7858) or jfuller@tewksbury.k12.ma.us



Community Services Preschool Programs

The Community Services Preschool is for 3 and 4 year old children who turn 3 by August 31, 2018. The program meets either 4 or 5 days each week (see options below). The Dewing School Community Services preschool times compliment the Integrated Program, to provide a full day option. Please note: All children who live in the **Dewing School district (D)** must register with Diane Luppi at tewksburypreschool@tewksbury.k12.ma.us or 978-640-7858. All children who live in the **Heath Brook School district (H)** will register on Community Pass. **Enrollment begins on January 24th.** Before School and After School Extended Day options are available for those needing services from 6:45 AM to 8:00 AM and/or 2:30 PM to 6:00 PM. There is an additional charge for Before School and After School Extended Day.

The Preschool Program offers a child-centered curriculum. Daily activities include language arts, math readiness, music, physical education and structured activities for social development. The longer, full day options will also allow for lunchtime, recess time, and a rest period. Students participate in both indoor and outdoor play and are invited to join many of the activities offered at the School. Classes are taught by a preschool teacher and an aide, who cooperatively support the children in their learning.

Program	Hours	Cost per yr./mo.
5 FULL DAYS	H: 8:25AM-2:30PM D: 8:15-2:15	\$6586.10/year divided by 10 payments = \$658.61/month (Dewing - \$240, Community Services - \$418.61)
5 HALF DAYS AM	H: 8:25AM-11:30AM D: 8:15-10:45 AM	\$3297.60/year divided by 10 payments = \$329.76month (Dewing - \$240)
5 HALF DAYS PM	H: 12:00PM-2:30PM D: 11:45AM-2:15PM	\$3297.60/year divided by 10 payments = \$329.76month (Dewing - \$240)
4 FULL DAYS Mon-Thurs or Tues-Fri	H: 8:25AM-2:30PM D: 8:15AM-2:15PM	\$5268.30/year divided by 10 payments = \$526.83/month(Dewing - \$240, Community Services - \$286.83)
4 HALF DAYS AM Mon-Thurs	H: 8:25AM-11:30AM D: 8:15-10:45AM	\$2677.50/year divided by 10 payments = \$267.75/month (Dewing - \$240)
4 HALF DAYS PM Tues-Fri	H: 12:00PM-2:30PM D: 11:45AM-2:15PM	\$2677.50/year divided by 10 payments = \$267.75/month (Dewing - \$240)

Please Note: These are the only options being offered for the 2018-2019 School Year.

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Thank you, Dr. Cynthia Basteri, Interim Director of Community Services

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