



Barclay Early Childhood Center Preschool Program

The Cherry Hill Public School District has a preschool program open to resident children at an affordable rate.

- Children who attend preschool are better prepared for kindergarten and do better in elementary school.
- High quality preschool programs focus on teaching pre-academic skills (letters, numbers, shapes, and colors) along with cooperative play skills.
- Selection is by lottery. To register your child for the Cherry Hill Public Schools Preschool lottery, complete and submit an application no later than March 1, 2012.
- Applications are available at all of the Cherry Hill Elementary Schools and Barclay Early Childhood Center, 1220 Winston Way, Cherry Hill or find additional information and an application on-line <http://barclay.chclc.org/>
- Tuition is \$150 per month (limited assistance is available)
Please call the Barclay Early Childhood Center with questions
(856) 429-7283. (Over)

CHERRY HILL PUBLIC SCHOOLS

BARCLAY EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

The Cherry Hill School District will again be offering preschool inclusion classes during the 2012-2013 school year for Cherry Hill residents. The Inclusion Program began 13 years ago in an effort to provide our population of children with special needs the opportunity to be educated in the least restrictive environment alongside their typically developing peers. The classes will be held at the Barclay School, which is the home of our Early Childhood Programs. Each class is comprised of approximately (16) three and four year old children, six of whom are classified as having special needs and ten that are typically developing.

Our program is half-day, five days per week with morning classes from 9:00-11:30 and afternoon classes from 1:00-3:30. **Children must be three and no older than four years old on or before October 1, 2012.** As a result of overwhelming demand, we are **NOT** able to accept requests for morning placements; AM and PM slots will be assigned at random in the order in which they occur. There is currently a **\$1,500.00 charge** for the school year (\$150.00 per month).

If you are interested in enrolling your non-classified child in one of our classes, please fill out the application and Student Master Control form and return it on/or before **Thursday, March 1, 2012 at 4:00 p.m.** (mailed applications must be postmarked by February 29th) to the following address: Mr. Donald Bart, Director of Support Operations, ATTN: 2012-2013 New Enrollment, Malberg Administration Building, 45 Ranoldo Terrace, Cherry Hill, N.J. 08034.

If the number of applications exceeds the number of available slots, a lottery will be held to determine entry into the program. As applications are received each student will be assigned a number. The student numbers' will be placed in a raffle drum.

Families will be notified of their application status by mail sent no later than **March 21, 2012.** ***Please do NOT call Barclay ECC or Mr. Bart's office to inquire about lottery results.*** Those offered enrollment at Barclay will receive an Enrollment Commitment Form and a Student Information Questionnaire. Families must return the Enrollment Commitment Form, along with the Student Information Questionnaire, to Barclay School by 4:00 p.m. on Monday, April 2, 2012. **Failure to return these two items by the deadline shall constitute a declination of enrollment.** When school personnel receive the enrollment commitment form and the student information questionnaire, class placement will be assigned and registration information will be provided. Applicants not initially offered admission will receive written notification and be assigned a place on a waiting list, based on their lottery drawing sequence. Openings subsequently arising shall be filled from the waiting list in the order determined by the lottery.

To help you learn more about our program, an "Open-House" will be held in the evening on Tuesday, February 7, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the all-purpose room. A morning session will be held on Wednesday, February 15, 2012 from 10:00 am to 11:00 a.m. **These are adult-only information sessions.** Please call Colleen Thompson at 429-7283 x4010 to reserve a spot. For more information, please visit our Website at <http://barclay.chclc.org>

Consistent with standard preschool practice, your child must be toilet trained. Although accidents can be accommodated, toileting issues are a serious classroom concern. A child with a consistent problem may be asked to leave the program. As previously mentioned, you will be responsible for transporting your child to and from school in a punctual and reliable manner.

IMPORTANT POINTS TO REMEMBER

- **Transportation is NOT provided**
- Children **MUST** be a resident of Cherry Hill
- Children must be potty trained
- We are **NOT** able to accept requests for morning placements
- Children must be at least 3 and no older than 4 as of October 1, 2012

Tuition for the school year of 2012-2013 is \$1,500.00. A deposit of \$150.00 (Check or Money Order only) will be accepted with your enrollment commitment form and payments will begin August 15, 2012)

IMPORTANT DATES AT A GLANCE

Tuesday, February 7, 2012 - 7:00-8:00 PM Open House (Adults Only)

Wednesday, February 15, 2012, - 10:00-11:00 AM Open House (Adults Only)

Thursday, March 1, 2012 4:00 PM - applications Due

Wednesday, March 21, 2012 - Notification Letter and Student Information Form Mailed

Monday, April 2, 2012, 4:00 PM - Student Information Form Due