#### **Classes Offered**

Classes are offered 5 days/week for 48 weeks. 8:30am-3:30pm

Lunch is not provided. Snacks are provided.

Families can choose to enroll and pay for their child's tuition annually or month-to-month.

#### Requirements

- Children must be at least  $3\frac{1}{2}$  years old by the time they begin attending classes.
  - All children must be toilet-trained in order to maintain a safe and healthy learning environment for all
- Appropriate gear and clothing is required for children to be prepared and active participants

### How do I sign-up?

- 1. Contact us!
- 2. **Site Visit:** Family and child visit school campus, receive Family Handbook
- 3. **Submit an Application for Enrollment** + \$45 fee
- If accepted (or waitlisted), submit an Admission Form + Enrollment Contract, immunization record and tuition deposit
- 5. **Home Visit offered**: Educator offers to visit your home to help build a connection with family and child
- 6. **Orientation**: 60 minute overview of program routine, expectations and important reminders

# **Forest School**

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A year-round nature immersion program for children ages 3½-6 years old

#### Visit our website!

preschool.herokuapp.com xxx-xxx-xxxx outdoorpreschool@mails(TBD).com

## Location

Forest School is located on 10 acres of forested land and fields. Adjacent to the property are over 40 acres of maintained trails and ridgeline access. There are streams, vernal pools, climbing rocks, trees and many opportunities for children to discover their natural environment.

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## **About**

Annabelle Knight, M.Ed, is Founder, Director and Lead Educator of Forest School. She is a passionate early childhood educator, anti-bias advocate and environmentalist. She loves spending time with children observing and learning from their unique perspectives and curiosity.

# Why a Forest School?

At our program, children will . . .

- have fun!
- benefit from low staff:child ratios
- be supported to learn through play
- enjoy bilingual songs and vocabulary
- develop creativity, confidence and lasting connections to the natural world
- be well prepared for future relationships and learning

The natural world presents a huge variety of learning opportunities, health and wellness benefits.

We designed our program with the knowledge that children are healthier in the long-term, more able to learn and better able to self-regulate when their entire bodies are actively engaged and in control of their work.

# **Philosophy**

Forest School believes in child-centered, inquiry and play-based philosophies. We believe children's innate curiosity provides meaningful context for learning and outdoor immersion inspires imagination and creativity. We develop critical thinking and problem-solving skills to promote social and environmental responsibility.

Our guiding principles are:

- Nature provides an ideal context for learning and development
- Child-led play inspires imagination, creativity, and curiosity
- Children are competent, capable, and resilient
- Families and educators are partners in children's learning

## **Our Mission**

Forest School offers a high-quality early childhood environmental education program that nurtures children's holistic development and lasting connections with nature.

We support a diverse and inclusive community of children and families who respect and care for themselves, each other, and the Earth.