Tot Enrichment Nursery & Pre-K Programs "Chipmunks"

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Presented by: The Rockland Youth Commission

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The Rockland Youth Commission, in conjunction with the Rockland Public Schools, operates the Tot Enrichment "Chipmunk" Program.

You do not have to be a Rockland Resident

PHILOSOPHY

The philosophy of the Tot Enrichment Program is to provide children with an enriching and educational environment, that will allow creativity, while interacting with other children.

ENROLLMENT

Nursery: children must be 3 years old by August 31st of the upcoming school year. **Pre-K:** children must be 4 years old by August 31st of the upcoming school year.

All children <u>must</u> be completely toilet trained. Children enrolled in the Nursery Class will automatically be rolled over into the Pre-K Class the following year.

CLASSES

Nursery Program meets Tues.Wed.&Thurs 2.5 hrs/day(8:30am-11am)
Pre-K Program We have 2 classrooms and they will meet Mon.Wed.&Fri. for 5 hrs/day.(8:15am-1:15pm)

Should you need care for your child beyond class hours, we are located in the same building as the Rockland Daycare. We are available to walk your child across the hall to the daycare rooms. For more information about after school care, please call the Rockland Daycare at 781-878-8549.

TUITION FEE/POLICIES

Nursery School: \$250/month Preschool: \$375/month

*Payment is due the first day of every month.

CURRICULUM

The program curriculum encourages children to be actively involved in the learning process, experience a variety of developmentally appropriate activities and materials, and to pursue their own interests. The children will work to develop the social, emotional and academic maturity necessary for the transition from their home environment to the school environment.

Our Pre-K & Nursery programs will have added specialists each month. Each class will participate in a ½ hour Physical Fitness program every week concentrating on gross motor skill development while promoting self - esteem. The children will work on Physical fitness, recreational games, and other various activities.

Twice a month the children in the Pre – K program will have music. Each class is 45 minutes long and helps develop fine, gross motor skills and a sense of rhythm. It also reinforces and provides an additional opportunity to follow directions.

OUR STAFF

In each of our classrooms we have a Head Teacher as well as an assistant. Our Lead Teachers have a degree in early childhood education as well as early childhood development. The ratio of seven children to one teacher gives a great deal of individual attention to the development of each child. You will find all of our staff very warm, nurturing, and sensitive toward the individuality of each child.

REGISTRATION

Registration is limited, beginning on March 14th and will be accepted on a first come, first served basis. You may only sign-up members of one family. Once your child is registered in the Nursery Class, a space is guaranteed the following year in the Pre-K Class. There is limited space available for the 4 year old child who is registering for the first time. There is a one-time non-refundable registration fee of \$100.00 per child when you enroll in Nursery, which will automatically roll over to Pre-K the following year. When registering for Pre – K only there is \$50.00 non-refundable registration fee. Please call (781) 871-1730 between 8:30am - 4:30pm for specific registration dates and times.

CANCELLATIONS

We will adhere to the Rockland Public School Calendar, regarding holidays. During inclement weather, we will follow the decision of the Rockland Public Schools. In the event of a "DELAYED OPENING", school will be cancelled.

WITHDRAWALS

If you decide to withdraw your child for any reason, **a two-week notice** is required or tuition will be charged.

SNACK & LUNCH

We will provide your child with a snack every day. If your child is in the Pre –K classes, you will need to provide a lunch each day. Having lunch will help to stimulate sociability and sharing conversation, as well as work their fine motor skills.

OBSERVATION

You may bring your child to observe our classes at any time before or after enrolling. Please call the Youth Commission Office before arriving, so that a convenient time can be arranged. Parents are always welcome to observe their child during class. We ask that parents make arrangements with their child's teacher, as not to disrupt the classroom activities.

FORMS AND ITEMS NEEDED IN SEPTEMBER

Please provide the office with the following: Birth Certificate, Health Form, and Registration Packet. For the classroom your child will need a backpack, lunch box, and change of clothes.