## **New Albany Floyd County School Pre-K**

We offer a high quality program where our pre-k specialists foster a love of learning through developmentally appropriate practices based on:

- Building relationships between all children and adults
- A safe and healthful environment
- A consistent curriculum that promotes love of learning and social, emotional, physical, and cognitive development

\*\*These FAQs do not pertain to students participating in the Early Intervention Preschool program. Please click here Early Intervention Preschool Programs NAFCS\_2022.pdf for information regarding programming for students with an Individual Education Plan (IEP).\*\*

### **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### What locations offer Pre-K?

Each of our nine elementary schools offer Pre-K. This provides a great advantage to pre-k students to become familiar with the environment and routines as they make the transition to Kindergarten.

#### What age do students have to be to enroll in Pre-K?

Your child must be four years old on or before August 1, 2024. We do not offer early entry to Pre-K.

#### What days and hours do students attend?

The Pre-K classrooms follow the NAFCS academic calendar. 2024-25-Calendar.pdf The hours each school day for Pre-K are 8:30-2:00.

# How can I check to see in what school district my family resides? Families should select the school in their home district.

https://www.nafcs.k12.in.us/district-maps-by-school/

#### What happens after I complete the Intent to Enroll form?

Be patient! You will hear from school staff sometime between mid-February to mid-March. You will be notified if your child has a spot in the pre-k classroom or if he/she is placed on the waitlist.

Fairmont, Green Valley, Mt. Tabor, S. Ellen Jones, or Slate Run families will be notified when the On My Way Pre-K application opens in early March. At that point, you will complete the OMWPK application. If you are eligible for tuition assistance, you will be notified to upload certain documents into the OMWPK portal. There is an FSSA manager to assist you with this process.

#### What is On My Way Pre-K (OMWPK)?

On My Way Pre-K is administered by the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration(FSSA) and covers the cost of tuition for families who qualify. The application for OMWPK opens in March. For more information paste this link into your browser or click-<u>https://www.in.gov/fssa/carefinder/on-my-way-pre-k/</u> If your student is attending Fairmont, Green Valley, Mt. Tabor, S. Ellen Jones, or Slate Run, you are required to complete the OMWPK application and submit required documents. Failure to do so may affect your child's placement in the pre-k classroom. For questions regarding On My Way Pre-K please contact Kendra Needham at (812)929-1215 or Kendra.Needham@fssa.in.gov

#### What is the cost of NAFCS Pre-K?

Tuition is \$150 per week for the full day 8:30-2:00 program.

#### Do I still pay tuition if my child is sick or if my family goes on vacation?

Yes, tuition is still due when your child is not at school.

#### How do I make payments?

The district will utilize eFunds electronic payment system within Powerschool for tuition payments.

#### Are there any scholarships for assistance with tuition?

Limited scholarships are available based on income for those who qualify for free/reduced lunch. If you are interested, please email <a href="mailto:nafcsprek@nafcs.org">nafcs.org</a> You will be asked to submit pay stubs for all working adults in the household.

#### Does NAFCS provide transportation for Pre-K?

No. Transportation is not provided for this program, unless required for FAPE (Free, Appropriate Public Education), so families generally arrange transportation for students attending NAFCS Pre-K.

#### Is there a before and after school care program?

Care is provided for up to eight students 7:30-8:30(\$5/week) and 2:00-4:00(\$10/week). The purpose of this care is to accommodate working parents. These spots will be filled on a first come first serve basis as indicated on the Intent to Enroll form. The before and after school drop off and pick up times must be strictly adhered to or a financial penalty will be applied.

#### What curricular resources are used for NAFCS Pre-K?

We follow the Indiana Early Learning Standards and utilize the Get Set for School curriculum. You can find more information about either resource by clicking the links below-

- Indiana's Early Learning Standards
- <u>https://www.lwtears.com/solutions/early-learning/get-set-for-school/Instructional-</u> <u>Philosophy</u>

#### How many students are in each class?

Each class has a maximum of 18 students. We have one Pre-K specialist and one instructional assistant in each classroom.