#### MISSION STATEMENT:

Our mission is to treat each child with respect, while nurturing their curiosity and natural desire to learn. This will enhance their confidence, as well as aid them in developing a cooperative relationship with both their peers and adults around them. We believe that children who are healthy emotionally are best prepared for later schooling.

Our mission is attained through the following methods:

- -A Low student/teacher ratio
- -A balance of child-directed and teacher-directed activities
- -A "creative curriculum" in which the child's inborn desires to learn, are nurtured, and the child's natural sense of creativity is developed
- -"Pre Reading/Pre Writing" skills are developed: this includes skills to strengthen small muscles, reinforce left to right eye movement, and build language skills. A general "love of learning" is emphasized with daily reading and sharing of books
- -A safe and enjoyable play area to develop large motor skills
- -Special Music and Art programs to enhance our creative curriculum provide cultural stimulation, and a further sense of selfexpression.

## PARENT TESTIMONIALS:

"When I first started sending my 4-year-old son to KS, it was because I needed the extra time to get things done at home and I knew he would enjoy socializing with friends and making fun crafts. Not only did he love being with his teachers and friends, but he learned SO much! It truly helped him go from being unable to hold a pencil correctly, to being able to write every letter of the alphabet - and actually ENJOY doing it! I love all of the enrichment programs at Derry Preschool, but KickStart is definitely my favorite!" Jamie Havens, Parent

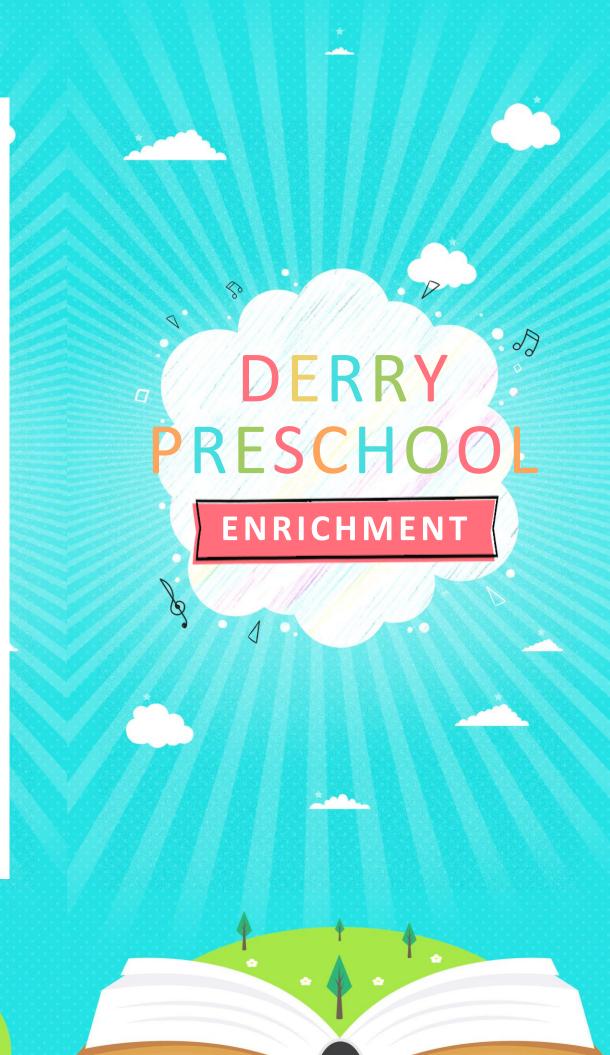
"KickStart is a wonderful program filled with learning and fun. My son attended the pre-K program at DP, which prepared him well for kindergarten. Now in kindergarten, the Kickstart program is a fun way of learning for him after school. It focuses on certain topics each week in all areas of literacy, math, and science. He loves to share with me the cool experiments they do in class from erupting volcanoes to making snow!" Jill Umberger, Parent & Kindergarten Teacher

"Our daughter regularly participated in KS during her past three years at Derry Preschool and absolutely loved it! The extended days offered by this program definitely prepared her for full day kindergarten. The social interactions with classmates of differing ages was invaluable, as were as her additional reading and writing exercises, which expanded upon her daily class lessons. We will definitely be sending our son to KS during the next few years. I would recommend this program to any parent looking for additional opportunities for socioemotional growth, supplemental reading and writing experiences, or as a gradual way to introduce your preschooler to a longer day in preparation for kindergarten." Sarah Langello, Parent



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#### **OVERVIEW**

Each and every child is a unique individual with his/her own talents and abilities. Children are born learners, with a strong sense of curiosity, and their own brand of imagination and creativity. Derry Preschool offers a variety of enrichment programs to further enhance your child's emotional and cognitive growth, while preparing them for the lifelong adventure of learning.

## **PAYMENT**

We accept payment by cash, check made payable to Derry Preschool and discounted punch card.

# DISCOUNT PUNCH CARDS

Punch cards are offered for some of our enrichment programs and allow you to purchase multiple sessions at once, with a discount! Punch cards expire at the end of each school year.

KickStart Punch Card: \$90/5 sessions

<u>Lunch Bunch Punch Card</u>: \$90/10 sessions

Zumba Punch Card: \$36/4 sessions

Would you like to sign up your child for one or more of our enrichment programs?
Sign-up Sheets are located at our Parent's Place at Derry Preschool!

#### KICKSTART PROGRAM - DAILY

This unique program was developed by Derry Preschool teachers who are certified in Elementary Education and have experience in Special Education. KickStart offers individually age-based instruction on pre-reading/prewriting skills including phonemic awareness, letter knowledge and other early literacy components.

This program which is offered daily from 12:45 to 3:15 pm is a center oriented creative curriculum.

KickStart is a great option for parents of children ages 3 to 5, who need a little extra time in the afternoons but can still have their child in a program designed for fun and learning!

Sign up is required and costs \$20/day or purchase a discounted punch card!

## CREATIVE ENRICHMENT

We offer a variety of enrichment activities for children ages 3 to 5 throughout the year including Zumba Kids, Mini Doodlers Art Class, KIMA, Bitty Ballet, and Yoga. Information about these activities will be advertised during the school year!

## LUNCH BUNCH - DAILY

Every day from II:30 to I2:45 pm, Derry Preschool offers Lunch Bunch for children ages 3 to 5. Bring a nut-free packed lunch and your child will be able to enjoy lunch time with their Derry Preschool friends and staff. Signup is required and costs \$10 or purchase a discounted punch card! Cash/check payment should be placed in child's lunch box.

### EARLY BIRD - DAILY

Do you need to drop off a few minutes early? Starting at 8:15 am, you may drop off your child to the purple room to be watched and then escorted to class at 9 am. All ages are welcome for only \$5 and there is no need to sign up!

## LATE PICK UP - DAILY

This option allows you to have a little more time at the end of class. Extend your child's pick up time to 12 noon. Your child will be escorted by their teacher to the Rainbow Room. Children of all ages must be signed up at a cost of only \$5!

