

August Newsletter

Welcome to Lake Harriet UM Preschool!



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Greetings LHUMP Community!

We hope that you are having a wonderful summer! With the 2023-2024 school year approaching, we want to share an overview of what can be expected before the upcoming year.

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ENROLLMENT FORMS

You will be messaged through brightwheel in August confirming the information we have in your child's file and if any information is incomplete.

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PRE-ADMISSION CONFERENCE

Teachers will contact you in the of August to set up a **home visit** before school begins. Visits are typically 20-30 minutes.

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PRESCHOOL PREVIEW NIGHT

Monday, 9/11, 5-5:45. Practice drop off & pick up while students come to visit their classroom to prepare for the **first day of preschool, Tuesday, Sept 12, 2022!**

Home Visits

The Lake Harriet UM Preschool staff is looking forward to connecting with you and your preschooler before school begins at your **preschool pre-admission conference**. We would like to connect with each family in whatever way feels most comfortable for you, either outside OR inside your home Your child's



teacher will contact you by phone or message in the brightwheel app the last week in August and let you know the dates and times she will be available. Visits typically last 20-30 minutes. These visits provide an opportunity to learn about your child's individual needs to help make a smooth transition between home and school. While providing your child with an opportunity to connect with their teacher in a familiar environment - your home!

Preschool Preview Night

We are so excited to host a "**Preschool Preview Night**" on Monday, September 11th from 5-5:45pm. The preview night provides an opportunity for parents, preschoolers and teachers to practice drop-off routines, children to see their classrooms and meet classmates, and families can get to know one another out on the playground to have fun and get excited about the first day of school. An invitation will be provided to you by your child's teacher at the pre-admission conference.

This opportunity allows for parents to practice dropping off their preschoolers in the classroom and then head out to the playground while kiddos are exploring the classrooms. Understanding that this may cause some children to feel unsure about separating from parents, we will plan to have those children stay with their parents instead. This will allow teachers to contact families in advance of the first day to make a plan for separation. Participating will hopefully make the first day run as smoothly as possible for all!

EXTRA CURRICULAR CLASSES



We plan to offer extra curricular activities at LHUMP this year. Soccer Shots and MiniApple Kitchen classes will be offered on Tuesdays & Wednesdays beginning in October.



Preschool Enrollment

Over the summer, we had many families join our preschool community, yay! It has been fun seeing families out in the community at the Fulton Farmers Market and Fulton Neighborhood events and a great way to say hello and make introductions and welcome some of our new families. Our final market appearance of the season will be on Sat, August 26th from 9:30am-11:30am. We'd love to see you!

We still have a limited number of openings in our traditional preschool program, Mon-Thurs, 9am-12:30pm. If you know if anyone looking for an amazing preschool program, please send them our way!

Thank you for championing our fantastic preschool program. We know that you are our number one supporters!

Preschool Communication

LHUMP uses the brightwheel app to enhance communications between school and home. You will receive newsletters, schedules, and lesson plans in addition to your child's daily feed. On the preschool website, you also will be able to see the preschool calendar, preschool news and class information there too. We are doing our absolute best to make sure that you are receiving all of the information you need!

Family Handbook

An **important resource** for families is our Family Handbook. You may view and download the handbook on our website, or ask to receive a paper copy. Please pay special attention to the following topics:

Preschool Board	Absences	Assessment & Conferences
Hours of Operation	Drop off & Pick Up	Emergency Procedures
Health & Safety	Snacks & Bag Lunches	Tuition & Fees

Please take the time to keep up with preschool information that is communicated with you via brightwheel, email, or our website and read through the family handbook. Many of your questions about Lake Harriet UM Preschool will be answered but if you have any further questions or need information clarified, please contact us - 612.926.8043 or info@lakeharrietumpreschool.org. We are looking forward to seeing you all soon!



