



## Community Connections Preschool at East Montpelier

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Welcome to Pre-Kindergarten at East Montpelier Elementary School!

I would like to let you know about Community Connections Preschool, a unique program offered at East Montpelier Elementary that supports families and makes your life easier.

We have partnered with the school to extend the 10 hour per week EMES Pre-Kindergarten program into our program that runs five days a week in sync with the school's daily schedule of 8:45 AM to 3:30 PM. We also offer a before or after school option allowing students to arrive as early as 7:30 or stay until 5:30.

Community Connections Preschool is a State Licensed Program located in the school. We accept childcare subsidy payments and if you receive subsidies your child may be able to attend our programs at no cost to you.

We are located in the classroom right down the hall from EMES's Pre Kindergarten. Our program allows your child to stay for the full school day, access food services, and take the bus back and forth to school. We eliminate the need to pick up or drop off your child during the day. Your preschooler can have the same schedule as any sibling(s) that already attend EMES.

During the day, students attending CC Preschool can purchase breakfast and lunch (*free or reduced price meals are available*) from the cafeteria, or bring meals from home. They may have recess with older siblings and friends and will participate in school wide events. We play games throughout the day to create learning opportunities and allow social skills to develop. Daily routines include a balance of structured and unstructured times: nature based learning, free play, circle time, creative arts, small group activities, outside time, meals, and rest time.

Later this spring, East Montpelier Elementary will place your child in either the Tuesday/Wednesday group or the Thursday/Friday group for next year. We offer programs for both groups and the chance for the children from each class to get to know one another.

On the next page, I have included a sample schedule for both the groups. *The Community Connections Preschool part of the day is highlighted in yellow.*

**Sample schedule for children assigned to the EMES Tuesday/Wednesday Group.**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:45 - 1:45	<b>Full Day CC Preschool</b>	EMES Pre-K	EMES Pre-K	<b>Full Day CC Preschool</b>	<b>Full Day CC Preschool</b>
1:45 - 3:30		<b>CC Preschool Afternoon</b>	<b>CC Preschool Afternoon</b>		

**Sample schedule for children assigned to the EMES Thursday/Friday Group.**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:45 - 1:45	<b>Full Day CC Preschool</b>	<b>Full Day CC Preschool</b>	<b>Full Day CC Preschool</b>	EMES Pre-K	EMES Pre-K
1:45 - 3:30				<b>CC Preschool Afternoon</b>	<b>CC Preschool Afternoon</b>

Community Connections is supervised separate from the school and our programs are supported by the families that use them. Our rates are listed below:

Rates

- Monday (8:30-3:45) \$42-55.00/day
- Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday/Friday Afternoons: \$18-24.00/day
- Early Drop-off(7:30-8:30) or After Care (4:00-5:30) \$5-8/day add-on service

**Suggested Family Income Guideline for Sliding Scale Placement**

	Over \$95,000	\$70-\$95,000	\$45-\$70,000	Below \$45,000*
<b>Part Day</b>	\$30 per day/per child	\$27 per day/per child	\$25per day/per child	\$22 per day/per child
<b>Full Day</b>	\$55 per day/per child	\$52 per day/per child	\$47 per day/per child	\$42 per day/per child
<b>Early/After</b>	\$8 per day/per child	\$7 per day/per child	\$6 per day/per child	\$5 per day/per child

*\*Families at this level should explore whether they qualify for assistance through the Vermont Child Care Subsidy Program.*

You can pick and choose whatever combination of care works best for you! We are open every day that the Pre-Kindergarten is open. We are not open on days the school is closed. We bill monthly in advance. You will receive a bill based on your schedule in August and the full payment for the first month, or an approved payment plan, will be due on the first day of school.

**Please fill out the form below to let us know of your initial interest in CC programs. If you have any questions please email or call me.**

Thank you!



## East Montpelier Community Connections Preschool Response Form

Please fill out this form so that we can add you to our mailing list and keep you updated on our programs at EMES. We will enclose more information and a sign up form with the packet that will be sent home from school later after your child has been placed.

Parent/Guardian name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Child's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Email(s): \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in having my child attend the CC Preschool on afternoons after they attend the EMES Pre-Kindergarten Program.

I am interested in having my child attend the CC Preschool for full days on the days they do not attend the EMES Pre-Kindergarten Program.

I am interested in having my child attend the CC Preschool all week.

No thanks, I already have care for my child.

Please let us know of any other details that could make Pre-Kindergarten more convenient for your family:

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**A final sign up form will be sent home with the EMES Pre-Kindergarten Placement Packet!**

Thank you!