High Desert ESD Preschool Locations

Please call in advance to schedule a tour of our facilities.

BEND (541)389-5437

- · Alyce Hatch Center
- Westside Village Preschool

LaPINE (541)536-2718

LaPine Community Campus

REDMOND (541)693-5682

Manzanita Center

PRINEVILLE (541)693-5630

• Larson Learning Center

MADRAS (541)693-5740

• Westside Community Center

What are you waiting for?



Call today to be placed on our waiting list.

Find us on

Central Oregon Early Intervention Early Childhood Special Education

The High Desert Education Service District

serves the following counties in Central Oregon:

Deschutes • Crook • Jefferson

PRESCHOOL INFO

We choose to keep our preschools very affordable so that all children in the community can have a chance to experience this wonderful program.

Most locations offer morning and afternoon classes, with each class running approximately 2 I/2 hrs in length. Class cost, days & times vary depending on location, so please call to request details.



For a complete listing of the services we offer, please visit our website

High Desert <u>Education Service District</u>



Early Childhood Preschool Programs

Outstanding Service For Our Children's Future!



Preschool is Cool

The High Desert Education Service District offers preschool services for children ages 3-5 who qualify for special education. These services provide children and families with individually designed programs and a wide variety of placement options. Our most successful programs are our integrated preschools. These classes incorporate a model known as INCLUSION. Inclusive programs allow children with developmental delays to learn and play side-by-side with classmates who are developing typically. Each class is staffed with a certified teacher and two educational assistants. In our classrooms, every child is valued for their uniqueness. You can trust that our staff is highly qualified, experienced and caring.

BENEFITS OF INCLUSION PRESCHOOLS

Some of the benefits noted by parents of typically developing children who have participated in integrated preschools include:



- Increased leadership skills
- Higher levels of compassion
- Empathy
- Patience
- Persistence
- Pro-social behavior

Other benefits:

- Small class size & high teacher/student ratio
- Expertise of staff
 - I. Certified/Masters level teachers
 - 2. Speech Language Pathologists
 - 3. Behavior Specialists
 - 4. Physical Therapists
 - 5. Occupational Therapists

Is your child ready for preschool?

Our inclusion classes are designed for children ages 3 & 4 who have met milestones typical for their age group. Following is a sample of milestones:

By 3 years old, can your child...

- Identify simple emotions (happy, mad, sad, frustrated, etc)
- Wait for his/her turn some of the time
- Usually separate easily from parent
- Put on coat with minimal or no help
- Use the toilet (potty trained)
- Use materials and toys to make things
- Use sentences of three words or more to communicate
- Enjoy playing with other children
- Usually sit still and focus

In addition to the above...

By 4 years old, can your child...

- Talk in whole sentences using adult-like grammar
- Tell a story that is easy to follow
- Ask and answer questions with who, how, how many
- Use I, me, you, he and she properly
- Uses imagination to create pretend situations when playing with others
- Enjoys playing cooperatively with other children
- 3/4 of what he or she says is understood by people not in your family



