

## QUICK DIRECTORY – ALL PRESCHOOLS

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Batavia Covenant	630-879-3795	1314 W. Main St. Batavia, IL 60510	lurben.bcc@att.net www.bataviacovenant.com
Batavia Nursery School	630-879-9470	21 S. Batavia Ave. Batavia, IL 60510	office@batavianurseryschool.org www.batavianurseryschool.org
Bethlehem Preschool Center (Preschool & Child Care)	630-584-6027	1145 N. Fifth Ave. PO Box 3850 St. Charles, IL 60174	blcpreschool@bethlehemluth.org www.bethlehemluth.org
Bridges Montessori Academy	630-513-9742	716 Oak St. St. Charles, IL 60174	bridges1992@gmail.com www.bridgesmontessori.org

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Da Vinci Academy	847-841-7532	37W080 Hopps Rd. Elgin, IL 60124	admissions@dvacademy.org www.dvacademy.org
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Faith Christian Beginner School	630-232-85533	1745 Kaneville Rd. Geneva, IL 60134	fcbs@epals.com www.fcageneva.org
First Steps Preschool	630-584-6768	1125 Oak St. St. Charles, IL 60174	firststeps@redeemfellowship.org www.firststepsstcharles.org
Fox Valley Montessori School	630-896-7557	850 N. Commonwealth Aurora, IL 60506	info@fvms.org www.fvms.org
Friendship Station (Geneva Park District)	630-232-4542	1415 Viking Drive Suite 100 Geneva, IL 60134	info@genevaparks.org www.genevaparks.org

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Gingercare Christian Academy	630-631-0182	2850 Ginger Woods Aurora, IL 60502	info@gingercare.com www.gingercreek.org
Geneva Lutheran	630-232-7085	301 S. Third St. Geneva, IL 60134	darla@genevalutheran.org www.genevalutheran.org
Giving Tree	630-406-0005	1100 Wilson St. Batavia, IL 60510	director@givingtreebatavia.com www.givingtreebatavia.com

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Immanuel Lutheran School	630-406-0157	950 Hart Rd. Batavia, IL 60510	school@immanuelbatavia.org www.immanuelbatavia.org
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Kensington School	630-845-9230	1774-1776 W. State St. Geneva, IL 60134	admissions@kensingtonschool.com www.kensingtonschool.com
Kiddie Academy	630-761-4500	2201 Main St. Batavia, IL 60510	kiddieacademybatavia@yahoo.com www.kiddieacademychicago.com
Kids Connection, Inc.	630-587-9400	2011 Dean St. Suite A St. Charles, IL 60174	kids_connection@sbcglobal.net www.kidsconnection.info
KinderCare Learning Center	630-879-9977	1505 S. Batavia Ave. Batavia, IL 60510	301432@klcorp.com www.kindercare.com

## L

Learning Tree	630-232-0907	PO Box 281 Geneva, IL 60134	info@TheLearningTreeGenevaIllinois.com www.thelearningtreegenevaillinois.com
Lord of Life Preschool	630-513-7346	PO Box 310 LaFox, IL 60147	mleighridge@lolchurch.net www.lolchurch.net

## M

Montessori Academy	630-879-2586	595 South River St. Batavia, IL 60510	info@MontessoriBatavia.com www.montessoribatavia.com
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New Horizons Preschool (Batavia Park District)	630-406-5282	14 N. Van Buren Batavia, IL 60510	gailz@bataviaparks.org www.bataviaparks.org
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Polka Dot Dragon Preschool	630-801-4868	11 S. Lincolnway North Aurora, IL 60542	polkadragon123@aol.com
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Resurrection Lutheran School	630-907-1313	2567 W. Sullivan Rd. Aurora, IL 60506	resurrection60506@msn.com www.relcs.org
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Share and Care Learning Center, Inc.	630-892-2818	1 N. Lincolnway North Aurora, IL 60542	debbiman@aol.com www.shareandcarelearning.com
St. Mark's Preschool	630-584-4850	101 South 6 <sup>th</sup> Ave. St. Charles, IL 60174	preschool@stmarksstc.org www.stmarksstc.org
Swing Set Preschool	630-443-8570	40W451 Fox Mill Blvd St. Charles, IL 60175	Swingsetpreschool@uccstc.org www.uccstc.org/swingset.htm

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Wesley Methodist Church Nursery School	630-631-5744	14 N. May St. Aurora, IL 60506	pre-school@mcleodusa.net www.wesleyumcaurora.org
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## **5-STAR LEARNING RANCH**

### **Primary Address**

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Batavia, IL 60510  
630-406-5787

### **E-Mail**

anita@5starlearningranch.com

### **Website**

www.5starlearningranch.com

### **Notes**

Contact name: Anita Graham, Director

### **Philosophy**

Parents deserve a quality educational preschool and/or child care program that they can trust. We believe that early childhood education is an important, solid foundation for a lifetime of learning. At 5-Star Learning Ranch, you will find that our professional, nurturing staff provides a secure and rich learning environment for children, allowing every child to develop to their fullest potential. By offering opportunities for hands-on activities, problem solving and learning through the arts, children are able to grow intellectually, emotionally and socially, providing the necessary skills needed in our diverse and ever-changing world.

### **Classes Offered (ages/days/times)**

Preschool: Classes are offered for children ages 2-3: MWF 9-11:30, TTH 9-11:30, M-F 9-11:30

Classes are offered for children ages 4-6: TTH 12:30-3, MWF 12:30-3, M-F 12:30-3

Child Care: Child Care hours for children ages 3-6 are from 6:15am to 6:15pm M-F

Preschool curriculum is implemented daily in this program

### **Program/Daily Schedule**

Circle Time; Theme-based/self selected learning activities in centers; "Loft Lessons" implementing that week's focuses in letter, shape, color and theme. Story Time, Music Appreciation, Indoor & Outdoor Large Motor Activities and Nature Exploration on our 4 acres of land.

### **Fees (2011-2012)**

Preschool: Registration is \$95 for the first year, \$75 every year after initial year of attendance in program.

2 Day Program: \$192, 3 Day Program: \$216, Extended 3 Day Program: \$243, 5 Day Program \$382

Childcare: 2 Full Days, \$115, 3 Full Days, \$140, 5 full days, \$210

### **Registration Procedure**

Registration is taken throughout the year.

## **BATAVIA COVENANT PRESCHOOL**

### **Primary Address**

1314 W. Main St.  
Batavia, IL 60510  
630-879-3795

### **E-Mail**

lurben.bcc@att.net

### **Website**

www.bataviacovenant.com

### **Notes**

Contact name: Leesa Urben, Director

### **Philosophy**

The staff of Batavia Covenant Preschool strives to provide a nurturing, Christian environment where children are encouraged to begin to discover and develop their individual gifts and reach their full potential. In providing a safe and fun place to learn, we hope to meet the physical, emotional, social, cognitive and spiritual needs of each child.

### **Classes Offered (ages/days/times)**

PreK (4 and 5 years old) M, T, W, Th-9:30 am to 12:00 pm  
Senior Classes (4 years old) M,W,F-9:30 am to 12:00 pm  
T, Th- 9:30 am to 12:00 pm  
Junior Classes (3 years old) M,W-9:30 am to 12:00 pm  
T, Th-9:30 am to 12:00 pm  
Mini Class (2 ½ years old) Fri.-9:30 am to 11:30 am

### **Program/Daily Schedule**

All classes follow a weekly, age appropriate theme with activities geared for their current development. A typical day includes up to 30 minutes of Group/Circle Time, 50 to 60 minutes of Structured Free Play, 30 minutes of Large Muscle Time and 15 minutes of Snack Time.

### **Fees (2011-2012)**

PreK-----4 days/week-\$225.00 monthly-\$2,025 annually  
Senior Classes-3 days/week-\$190.00 monthly-\$1,710 annually  
2 days/week-\$155.00 monthly-\$1,395 annually  
Junior Classes-2 days/week-\$155.00 monthly-\$1,395 annually  
Mini Class-----1 day/week----\$75.00 monthly-\$675 annually

### **Registration Procedure**

Registration will take place during the 3rd and 4th weeks in January. Priority will be given to returning students, their siblings, former preschool families and church member families. Open registration will then follow. More details on the registration process will be communicated when new rates are set in December.

## **BATAVIA NURSERY SCHOOL**

### **Primary Address**

21 S. Batavia Ave.  
Batavia, IL 60510  
630-879-9470

### **E-Mail**

office@batavianurseryschool.org

### **Website**

www.batavianurseryschool.org

### **Notes**

Contact name: Betsy Lewis

### **Philosophy**

We have a 35 year history of educational excellence! We believe in the whole child development (learning through social, emotional, physical, intellectual and verbal experiences), which provides a safe and fun place for learning. Our emphasis is on basic building blocks for reading readiness which includes a strong phonetic approach.

### **Classes Offered:**

Half-day programming for 3, 4 and 5 year olds

Enrichment classes for registered students

3 year olds: T/Th a.m. or M/T/Th p.m.

4 year olds: M/W/F a.m. or p.m.

Pre-Kindergarten (5 by 12/1): M-Th a.m. or p.m.

Adult/Child ratio: 1-10

Required toilet training: Yes, but pull-ups are allowed

Average Class size: 10

Licensed capacity: 59

Years in service: 35

% of returning teachers: 90

Required parent involvement: No

Offers summer classes: Yes, on limited basis to currently enrolled

Teachers require degrees: Yes

Aides : None used

### **Program/Daily Schedule:**

Group time Letter Recognition Number recognition Phonics Music

Art Story Time Free Play Enrichment programs Science

### **Fees: 2011- 2012**

Registration: \$75 New Students, \$60 returning students

2 day program: \$140 ( 9 months)

3 day program: \$170 (9 months)

4 day program: \$215 (9 months)

### **Registration procedure:**

For registration details for the 2011-2012 school year and a copy of the enrollment application that can be printed and filled out in advance please see our website.

## **BETHLEHEM PRESCHOOL CENTER (PRESCHOOL & CHILDCARE)**

### **Primary Address**

1145 N. Fifth Ave.  
PO Box 3850  
St. Charles, IL 60174  
630-584-6027

### **E-Mail**

blcpreschool@bethlehemluth.org

### **Website**

www.bethlehemluth.org

### **Notes**

#### **Philosophy**

We believe that children best through hands-on activities that allow them to construct their own knowledge through direct experiences with their environment. We seek to provide a well-rounded, age appropriate, developmental program that meets the physical, emotion, social, cognitive and spiritual needs of each child.

#### **Classes Offered (ages/days/times)**

For 3's: T, T: 9:00-11:30, or T, W, Th: 12:15-2:45

For 4's: M, W, F: 9:00-11:30, T, W, Th: 12:15-2:45 or M, T, W, Th: 9:00-11:30

Pre-K (must turn 5 by Dec. 31st of school year): M, T, W, Th: 12:15-2:45

#### **Program/Daily Schedule**

9:00-9:15/12:15-12:30: Welcome Children (with hello song, calendar and attendance)

9:15-10:15/12:30-1:30: Free Choice Time (All Learning Centers Open)

10:15-10:25/1:30-1:40: Clean-Up Time

10:25-10:40/1:40-1:55: Circle Time: Stories, Songs/Finger-play, Music & Movements, Games

10:40-10:50/1:55-2:05: Bathroom/Hand washing

10:50-11:00/2:05-2:15: Snack Time

11:00-11:30/2:15-2:45: Outside Play/Gym

#### **Fees (2012-2013)**

2 Day Program: \$130/month

3 Day Program: \$166/month

4 Day Program: \$192/month

#### **Registration Procedure**

Call 630-584-6027, then stop in to pick up registration materials and pay registration fee of \$75 to reserve spot.

## **BRIDGES MONTESSORI ACADEMY**

### **Primary Address**

716 Oak St.  
St. Charles, IL 60174  
630-513-9742

### **Email**

bridges1992@gmail.com

### **Website**

[www.bridgesmontessori.org](http://www.bridgesmontessori.org)

### **Notes**

Contact Name: Jan Dangles, Director

### **Philosophy**

Bridges views each child as an individual. Bridges provides an interdisciplinary manipulative-oriented experience which facilitates independence, self-confidence, self-learning and respect.

### **Classes Offered**

Preschool for ages 3-5  
Kindergarten  
First through Fifth grades

### **Fees (2011-2012)**

Please call for more information.

### **Registration Procedure**

Please call for more information.

## **DA VINCI ACADEMY**

### **Primary Address**

37W080 Hopps Road  
Elgin, IL 60124  
847-841-7532

### **E-Mail**

admissions@dvacademy.org

### **Website**

www.dvacademy.org

### **Notes**

Contact name: Jeff Oldham, Director of Admissions

### **Philosophy**

Da Vinci Academy is a school community dedicated to meeting the intellectual, social, and emotional needs of gifted and talented students in grades PK-8. At Da Vinci, every child is known, accepted, challenged, and engaged.

### **Classes Offered (ages/days/times)**

PK3 for age 3, M-F 8:45am - 11:15am

PK4 for age 4, M-F 8:45am - 2:15pm

Kindergarten for age 5, Mon-Fri, 8:45am-2:15pm

Before and After Care available every day

### **Program/Daily Schedule**

PK3 is a half-day morning program five days a week. PK3 is combined with PK4 for part of the morning, but PK3 students also have dedicated class time by themselves with the teacher and assistant. PK4 and Kindergarten are full-day programs that include daily periods for language arts, math, science, and social studies. PK4 and Kindergarten also receive weekly instruction in Spanish, computer, art, music and PE.

### **Fees (2011-2012)**

PK3 \$6,950

PK4 \$12,500

Kindergarten tuition is \$13,600

### **Registration Procedure**

Application and student visit required for admission. Contact Jeff Oldham, Director of Admissions, to schedule tours and to begin the process. Application materials can be printed from the website

## **FAITH CHRISTIAN BEGINNER SCHOOL**

### **Primary Address**

1745 Kaneville Road  
Geneva, Illinois 60134  
630-232-8533

### **E-Mail**

fcbs@epals.com

### **Website**

www.fcageneva.org

### **Notes**

Contact: Sherry Anast, Director

### **Philosophy**

We believe in small classes, individual attention, and providing a loving environment for spiritual, mental, emotional, and social growth. We believe that every child should have an opportunity to learn using a curriculum that can be adjusted to his/her individual needs during the beginning stages of formal education.

### **Classes Offered (ages/days/times)**

All classes are 8:30 –11:30 a.m. or 12:15 – 3:15 p.m.

Nursery (3's) Mondays only, or Tuesday & Thursday, or Wednesday & Friday

Preschool – Monday, Wednesday, Friday or Tuesday & Thursday (½ day or full day)

Kindergarten – Monday – Friday (1/2 day or full day)

Summer classes – Several sessions of themed summer “camp” in school.

\*Also available: Twinkle toes ballet, Faith Doodlers (art), B Sharp Music, Spanish Club and Suzuki Violin Lessons

### **Program/Daily Schedule**

Opening includes: pledges, color of the month song, calendar, shape of the month, everyday song and poem, weather chart, Bible story, worship song and brief prayer time.

Free Play – Teacher works individually with children while others play.

Letter Time – A group phonics lesson.

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Snack Time

Free Play - Teacher works individually with children while others play.

Math Time – A group math lesson followed by a brief take home paper.

### **Fees (2011-2012)**

Varies; Payment plans available – call for a free schedule.

### **Registration Procedure**

Open registration begins October 1 of the year before attendance and continues until classes are filled. Call for enrollment information packet.

## **FIRST STEPS PRESCHOOL**

### **Primary Address**

1125 Oak St.  
St. Charles, IL 60174  
630-584-6768

### **E-Mail**

[firststeps@redeemertfellowship.org](mailto:firststeps@redeemertfellowship.org)

### **Website**

[www.firststepsstcharles.org](http://www.firststepsstcharles.org)

### **Notes**

#### **Philosophy**

Our motto is a “Loving, Christian Learning Environment”. We have a well rounded program that combines academics and play, presented in a fun, creative and interesting way. Our teachers carefully plan a curriculum that encourages exploration and interactive learning. We offer enrichment classes and have many family activities.

#### **Classes Offered**

2's CLUBHOUSE Sept.-Tues./Thurs 9:00-10:30, Oct.-May-Tues/Thurs 9:00– 11:00

First Step 2's & 3's Mon/Wed 9:00 – 11:00

Preschool I (3's) Mon/Wed/Fri 9:00-11:30

Tues/Thurs 9:00-11:30

Preschool II (4's) Mon/Tues/Wed/Thurs 9:00 – 11:30

Mon/Tues/Wed 12:15 – 2:45

Pre-K (4's & 5's) Mon/Tues/Wed/Thurs 9:00-11:30

#### **Program/Daily Schedule**

We have Circle Time, Choice Time, Snack Time and Physical Activity in our large motor room or in our fenced-in playground.

Fees (2011-2012) Please visit our website for the current fees.

Registration Procedure – Please call for a tour, our registration starts Feb. 1 and is ongoing

## **FOX VALLEY MONTESSORI SCHOOL**

### **Primary Address**

850 N. Commonwealth Ave  
Aurora, IL 60506  
(630) 896-7557

### **E-Mail**

info@fvms.org

### **Website**

www.fvms.org

### **Notes**

Philosophy (1-50 words)

Fox Valley Montessori adheres to the principals of a Montessori Education. Fox Valley Montessori is a peaceful, safe and family-focused child-centered community. We strive to inspire a child's individual development through joyful discovery and mutual respect; by fostering a child's love of learning, self confidence, and independence.

Classes Offered (ages/days/times)

- Parent/Child (ages birth – 18 months) 1 day/week
  - o 2 hour program weekly (Saturday mornings)
- Toddlers (ages 18 mo – 3) 2 Day (ThF), 3 Day (MTW), & 5 Day Options
  - o ½ day (8:30 – 11:15)
  - o full day (8:30 – 2:30)
  - o before/after care available 7a – 8:30 and 2:30 – 6:00 PM
- Preschool (ages 3 – 5) 3 & 5 day programs
  - o ½ day (8:30 – 11:30)
  - o full day (8:30 – 2:30)
  - o before/after care available 7a – 8:30 and 2:30 – 6:00 PM
- Kindergarten (age 5 as of 9/1) 5 day program
  - o full day program 8:30 – 2:30 PM
  - o before/after care available 7a – 8:30 and 2:30 – 6:00 pm
- Elementary (grades 1-6) 5 day program
  - o full day program 8:30 – 2:30
  - o before/after care available 7a – 8:30 and 2:30 – 6:00 PM

### **Program/Daily Schedule**

FVMS has been providing a quality education to Aurora and the surrounding community for over 40 years. FVMS is located on the NW side of Aurora near Randall Rd and Indian Trail. FVMS has large classrooms, beautiful outdoor exploration areas, a committed community of parents, a large multi-purpose gymnasium (great for the winter months), and a collaborative learning community of staff.

FVMS offers the following as part of the classroom experiences.

Toddler – 6th Grade – Spanish

K – 6 – Art, PE

1st – 6th – Music

Additional enrichment programs that are offered include: Martial Arts, Dance, Piano, Chess, and French.

Fees (2011-2012)

Call school for fee schedule.

## **FOX VALLEY MONTESSORI SCHOOL (continued)**

### Registration Procedure

For families interested in becoming part of the Fox Valley Montessori Community, the admissions process is as follows. We encourage you to complete each step of the admissions process promptly so that we can make a timely decision concerning your child's enrollment.

1. Attend an Informational Coffee or Schedule a Private Tour: The informational coffee is the best opportunity to learn more about the Montessori philosophy, tour the school, and ask a lot of questions. If you unable to attend an Informational Coffee, we will schedule a private tour. Please call (630) 896-7557 `begin_of_the_skype_highlighting` (630) 896-7557 `end_of_the_skype_highlighting` to arrange for a coffee or tour. Informational Coffees are scheduled every fourth Friday in 2010.

2. Classroom Observation: After a tour of the school, a classroom observation will be schedule for the parent(s) to spend time observing a Montessori classroom.

3. Classroom Visit: New students entering the Elementary program –must schedule a morning visit in the prospective classroom. Parents of elementary applicants may be asked to meet with the Executive Director and/or Program Coordinator while their student is in the classroom. A classroom visit for preschool & toddler students can be arranged, but is not required as part of the admission process.

4. Application: Once you have observed the classroom and determined that you would like to apply to Fox Valley Montessori School, please fill out the Application for Admission with a copy of the student's birth certificate and return it either in person or by mail with the \$300 non-refundable application fee. Upon acceptance your tuition contract, first month's tuition and activity fees will be due.

5. Notification: Upon completion of these steps, you will be notified of your child's enrollment status.

## **FRIENDSHIP STATION (Geneva Park District)**

### **Primary Address**

1415 Viking Drive, Suite 100  
Geneva, IL 60134

### **E-Mail**

info@genevaparks.org

### **Website**

www.genevaparks.org

### **Notes**

Contact name: Beth Keen, Director

### **Philosophy**

The preschool is guided by the philosophy of learning through play. Play is where the child learns how to share, create, cooperate, interact and solve problems. Because each child is individual and unique, emphasis is placed on developing a positive self-concept. In keeping with the guidelines of School District 304 regarding early learning and literacy, this preschool program will provide appropriate activities to enhance literacy enrichment of the young child. Support for all children will be provided by loving, knowledgeable staff in a collaborative working partnership with family, park district and school district.

### **Classes Offered**

3 year-old a.m. 9:00-11:30 a.m. T/TH

3 year-old p.m. 12:30-3:00 p.m. T/TH

4 year-old a.m. 9:00-11:30 a.m. M/W/F

4 year-old p.m. 12:30-3:00 p.m. M/W/F

### **Program/Daily Schedule**

Free play, calendar/weather, time for children to share conversation discussion of topic (example: colors), finger play, song, music, and movement or large motor time, free play, art project, table activities, language center (4 year-olds), story, show and tell, etc.

### **Fees (2011-2012)**

3 year-olds: \$50 deposit plus \$330 resident/\$355 non-resident

4 year-olds: \$50 deposit plus \$430 resident/\$455 non-resident

### **Registration Procedure**

Please see website.

## **GENEVA LUTHERAN CHURCH**

### **Primary Address**

301 S. Third Street  
Geneva, IL 60134  
630-232-7085

### **E-Mail**

Darla@genevalutheran.org

### **Website**

www.genevalutheran.org

### **Notes**

Contact name: Darla Craig, Director

### **Philosophy**

To provide a Christian education on a weekday basis for children two-years to five-years (for those turning five after September 1<sup>st</sup>.)

### **Classes Offered (ages/days/times)**

Two groups: 9:30 am to 12:30 pm OR 10:00 am to 1:00 pm, Monday through Friday. Parents have the option of sending their child/children once or twice a week maximum. Classes are mixed ages 2 year olds through those turning five after September 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **Program/Daily Schedule**

A daily routine is maintained for continuity, but a sense of flexibility also allows for the temperament of young children. We have free play time, craft time, large motor time, circle/story time and lunch time. Children bring a sack lunch and enjoy lunch together.

### **Fees (2011-2012)**

One-time, non-refundable registration fee of \$30.00 per child/per day attending. Regular fee is \$15.00 per day.

### **Registration Procedure**

Registration is held in March for the following school year. Those currently enrolled and Church members have the opportunity to register before the general public.

## **GINGERCARE CHRISTIAN ACADEMY**

### **Primary Address**

2850 Ginger Woods Pkwy  
Aurora, IL 60502  
630.631.0182

### **E-Mail**

info@gingercare.com

### **Website**

www.gingercare.com

### **Notes**

Philosophy (1-50 words)

It is our mission to support families by providing quality educational experiences with a Christian foundation for young children. Our program provides children with the environment they need to exercise their early abilities and their imaginations. Through curriculum and play they develop physically, intellectually, socially, emotionally, and spiritually.

Classes Offered (ages/days/times)

Part Day Program follows the Batavia School calendar. Pre-school TTh 9-11:30am and Pre-K MWF 9-11:30am.

Full Day Program is open year-round. 8 weeks to Kindergarten offered 1-5 days per week all day.

Program/Daily Schedule

Our curriculum spans a variety of age appropriate activities that encourage the development of large and small motor skills, creativity, spiritual growth, and a love for learning. Activities include reading, art, math, language arts, science, music, and games. With teacher guidance, children have the opportunity to explore, make decisions, and solve problems.

Fees (2011-2012)

Please call for current rate information

Registration Procedure

Open enrollment begins February 1st for the coming school year. Mid-year registration when openings are available.

## **THE GIVING TREE**

### **Primary Address**

1100 Wilson Street  
Batavia, IL 60510  
630-406-0005

### **E-Mail**

director@givingtreebatavia.com

### **Website**

www.givingtreebatavia.com

### **Notes**

Contact name: Kate Cozzani, Director

### **Philosophy**

Quality early childhood education lays a solid foundation for children. The program must incorporate a challenging environment in the areas of physical development, social development, emotional development, cognitive development and language development. Our attention must be focused on the totality of these developmental domains. It takes a highly developed curriculum and a learned instructor to continually assess the needs of the individual children and to create the optimal learning environment for a group of children.

### **Classes Offered (ages/days/times)**

Infant, Toddler, Preschool, Before and After School

### **Program/Daily Schedule**

Individual games, group circle time, science, math activities, snack, centers, small group learning activities and individual group play

### **Fees (2011-2012)**

Registration fee is \$75

Infant 6 weeks - 15 months: \$286

Toddler 15 months - 24 months: \$283

Two-Years: \$238

Three-Five Years: \$218

### **Registration Procedure**

We offer positions on a first come basis. Waiting list then applies

## **IMMANUEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL**

### **Primary Address**

950 Hart Road  
Batavia, IL 60510  
630-406-0157

### **E-Mail**

[school@immanuelbatavia.org](mailto:school@immanuelbatavia.org)

### **Website**

[www.immanuelbatavia.org](http://www.immanuelbatavia.org)

### **Notes**

Contact name: Glenn A. Steinbrenner, Principal

### **Philosophy**

Children are gifts from God. We encourage student development socially, emotionally, physically, cognitively, and spiritually. We accept and affirm their unique competence as learners today and ready them for future learning. Students are provided age-appropriate, experiential learning activities that challenge them to continued growth to reach their full potential.

### **Classes Offered**

Two-Year Olds, Together with Jesus

Three-Year-Olds

M/T 8:40 am - 11:15 am

Th/F 8:40 am - 11:15 am

Th/F 12:30 pm - 3:00 pm

M/T/W 12:30 pm - 3:00 pm

Four-Year-Olds

M/T/W/Th 12:30 pm - 3:00 pm

Th/F 8:40 am - 11:15 am

M/T/W 8:40am - 11:15am

Kindergarten- 4 full days, 1 ½ day or 5 ½ days

### **Program/Daily Schedule**

Monthly lesson units are supported in daily Bible story and reading time, guided and free choice experiential activities, music, and large motor time.

### **Fees (2011-2012)**

Registration Deposit Annual Tuition

Two-day for three- or four-year-old \$ 100 per child \$1,336.50 per child

Three-day for three- or four-year-old \$ 100 per child \$1,809.00 per child

Four-day for four-year-old \$ 100 per child \$2,101.50 per child

Plus a non-refundable deposit

### **Registration Procedure**

Contact the school office to receive a registration packet, to sign up for a January Sneak Peek or to schedule a meeting with school staff.

## **KENSINGTON SCHOOL**

### **Primary Address**

1774-1776 West State Street  
Geneva, IL 60134  
630-845-9230

### **E-Mail**

admissions@kensingtonschool.com

### **Website**

www.kensingtonschool.com

### **Notes**

Contact name: Dotty Aurenmo, Director

### **Philosophy**

Kensington school's historic program is known for its traditional, academic approach in early education. Our philosophy is predicated upon a strong respect for the formative preschool years and the impart that a curriculum-rich learning environment can have upon the child during this critical period. Our vibrant classrooms and structured programming provide daily learning experiences in a comfortable, social setting for our half-day and full-day programs. Children are nurtured and challenged daily by loving, degreed teachers.

### **Classes Offered (ages/days/times)**

2 year olds - T and Th, am and pm classes, times vary

3-4 year olds - M/W/F or T/Th, am and pm classes, times vary

Full Day Kindergarten - Monday - Friday, contact school for details

### **Program/Daily Schedule**

Reading readiness with phonics and literature, hands-on mathematic activities, music, Spanish, character education, engaging interest centers and numerous circle times are woven through our daily activities.

### **Fees (2011-2012)**

\$100 yearly enrollment fee.

Program costs vary, contact school for current rates.

### **Registration Procedure**

Contact the school office for registration information and dates.

## **KIDDIE ACADEMY**

### **Primary Address**

2201 Main Street  
Batavia, IL 60510  
630-761-4500

### **E-Mail**

kiddieacademybatavia@yahoo.com

### **Website**

www.kiddieacademychicago.com

### **Notes**

Contact name: Katie Nauert, Director

### **Philosophy**

To provide the very best care and curriculum in our never-ending goal to prepare children for the future.

### **Classes Offered (ages/days/times)**

3 year-olds: T/Th 9:00 am - 11:45 am

4 year-olds: M/W/F 9:00am - 11:45 am

### **Program/Daily Schedule**

All classes include welcoming time, circle times, learning centers, snack time, and outdoor time for large muscle development, as well as music, creative arts, Spanish, science and math.

### **Fees (2011-2012)**

Registration fee (non-refundable): \$95

3 year-olds: \$160/month (includes snack)

4 year-olds: \$210/month (includes snack)

## **KIDS CONNECTION, INC.**

### **Primary Address**

2011 Dean Street, Suite A  
St. Charles, Illinois 60174  
630-587-9400

### **E-Mail**

kids\_connection@sbcglobal.net

### **Website**

www.kidsconnection.info

### **Notes**

Cwontact: Renee Gust, Owner/Director

#### Philosophy (1-50 words)

Kids Connection, Inc. will provide the highest quality preschool and activity programs for participants of all ages to develop socially, cognitively, emotionally and physically through play, art, music and other modes of creative activity. Both individual and group programming encourages development of the whole child.

#### Classes Offered (ages/days/times)

Threes a.m. 2 or 3 days \$180 - \$255 per month

Threes p.m. 2 days \$180

PreK a.m. 3 or 4 days (3 hours) \$270 - \$360 per month

Beginnergarten 5 by 1/1/12, M-Th 3 to 4 days \$270 - \$360

\*A special needs program with occupational therapist and speech therapist is offered.

Classes have flexibility to be reduced by 1-day and prices adjusted accordingly. Snacks and supplies are included in the prices listed. We also have gym time each day in our 1,400 s.f. indoor gym.

#### Program/Daily Schedule

Please refer to the Classes Offered details listed above.

#### Fees (2011-2012)

Please refer to the Classes Offered details listed above.

#### Registration Procedure

Fill out the on-line pre registration form and submit to Kids Connection with the \$75.00 registration fee. We welcome visitors anytime and are happy to assist you with any questions.

## **KINDERCARE LEARNING CENTERS**

### **Primary Address**

1505 S Batavia Ave  
Batavia, IL 60510  
630-879-9977

### **E-Mail**

301432@klcorp.com

### **Website**

www.kindercare.com

### **Notes**

Contact name: Emily Aiken, Center Director or Tifanie Felker, Assistant Director

### **Philosophy**

We are dedicated to providing the care and attention, love and learning, fun and safety that you expect from your childcare provider. No one else, large or small, can match the combination of experience, resources and educational programs we offer. That means no other learning center can give you the same peace of mind that you'll get from KinderCare each and every day. That is our commitment to you.

### **Classes Offered (ages/days/times)**

We offer childcare starting at 6 weeks old through 12 years old. We are open from 6:30-6:15 Monday-Friday. We also offer enrichment programs including Phonics, Math, Science, Music, Cooking, and Active Adventures

### **Program/Daily Schedule**

6:30: Center opens; 7:30 Breakfast; 7:45-8:30 bus runs for school-aged Children.; 9:00 Infant—Prekindergarten programs begin; 11:30 lunch; 12:30-2:30 nap/relaxation; 3:00 snack; 3:30 large motor/outside time/ Parents begin to pick up. 6:15 center closes.

### **Fees (2011-2012)**

Please call for tuition and fee schedule.

### **Registration Procedure**

Yearly fall registration: \$85 for one child or \$115 per family (2 or more).  
Summer activity fee: varies based on age group.

## **LORD OF LIFE PRESCHOOL**

### **Primary Address**

P.O. Box 310; Located on Rt.38 and LaFox Road  
LaFox, Illinois 60147  
630-513-7346

### **E-Mail**

mclaughridge@lolchurch.net

### **Website**

www.lordoflifepreschool.com

### **Notes**

#### **Philosophy**

Each child is unique and a special gift of God, with different needs and abilities. Each child will be encouraged to grow emotionally, physically, cognitively, socially and spiritually at his/her own pace.

#### **Classes Offered (ages/days/times)**

3 year olds:: T/Th 9-11:30 am or T/Th 12:00-2:30 pm or T/Th 12:15-2:45 pm or  
M/W/F 9-11:30am

4 year olds: M/W/F 9-11:30 am or M/W/F 12:15-2:45 pm or T/Th 9:-11:30 am

4-5 year olds: M/W/F 12:00-3:00pm

#### **Program/Daily Schedule**

Required toilet training

Adult/child ratio:1:8,1:10 -No required parent involvement

Average class size:15/19 \_\_\_\_Some summer day camps

Licensed capacity:58 \_\_\_\_Teachers require degrees

Years in Service:16 \_\_\_\_Aides do not require degrees

%of returning teachers: 100% Circle Time – Interest Centers- Large Motor Time- Snack- Fine/gross Motor Skills

#### **Fees (2011-2012)**

Registration Fee: \$70

2 day program - \$135/month

3 day program - \$160/month

Pre+ program- \_\_\_\_\_\$185/month; all tuition is a flat fee no matter how many days are in the month; from September through May.

#### **Registration Procedure**

Voice-mail call-in on 1st Monday of February every year starting at 5 am on that morning. Just call the Office phone number to hear the instructions and leave the student information.

## **THE LEARNING TREE**

### **Primary Address**

PO Box 281  
Geneva, IL 60134  
630-232-0907

### **E-Mail**

Info@TheLearningTreeGenevaIllinois.com

### **Website**

www.thelearningtreegenevaillinois.com

### **Notes**

Contact name: Patricia Petrella, Director

### **Philosophy**

At the Learning Tree, you child is afforded the opportunity to grow intellectually, socially, physically, and emotionally. Activities are varied between quiet and active, structured and non-structured, variety and flexibility being the key to the daily program. The Learning Tree offers a childhood that includes fun and fancy, learning and growth, thought and wonder. Your child will feel a sense of accomplishment by doing, security by success and importance through knowledge.

### **Classes Offered (ages/days/times)**

All day Preschool (open year round)

Ages: 2 - 5

Hours: 6:30 am - 6:00 pm

3 year-old preschool (Sept - May)

T/Th 8:45 am - 11:15 am

4 year-old preschool (Sept - May)

M/W/F 8:45 am - 11:15 am

Pre-Kindergarten (children must be 5 before December 31<sup>st</sup>, Sept - May)

M - F 8:45 am - 11:15 am

Before and After School care- open year round

Grades: Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade

Hours: 6:30 am - 6:00 pm

### **Program/Daily Schedule**

PreK and Preschool: table toys, circle time/musical activities, manipulative/cognitive activity, large motor, art activity, story time, songs

All Day 2's, 3's and 4's: circle time, art, large motor activity, outdoor activity, puzzles, table toys, group games

All children have outdoor activity time, winter time included. We have a large play area as we are close to 2 acres of property.

All day children receive a morning and afternoon snack as well as lunch cooked on the premises.

### **Fees (2011-2012)**

Please contact for current rates.

### **Registration Procedure**

There are specific forms required by the state and The Learning Tree that need to be completed. We have no deadlines, as we will take students at any time if we have the space available.

## **MONTESSORI ACADEMY**

### **Primary Address**

595 South River Street  
Batavia, Illinois 60510  
630-879-2586

### **E-Mail**

info@MontessoriBatavia.com

### **Website**

www.MontessoriBatavia.com

### **Notes**

#### Philosophy

“Our care of the child should be governed not by the desire ‘to make him learn things’ but by the endeavor always to keep burning within him that light which is called intelligence.” – Maria Montessori

#### Classes Offered (ages/days/times)

Preschool 3-6 years: Half Day, 8:15am- 11:15am, 12:00pm - 3:00pm & Full Day

Kindergarten: 8:13am-3:00pm

Before and After School care available from 7:00am - 5:45pm

#### Program/Daily Schedule

Social and emotional development. Fine and gross motor skills. Sensorial development. Math concepts. Language skills. Science exploration. Geography studies. Cultural studies. Outside play and yoga. Creative art exploration. Instrument and song. Foreign Language.

#### Fees (2011-2012)

Tuition varies by program, please call for current rates.

#### Registration Procedure

\$100 registration fee starts in January

Please call the school to schedule a tour for you and your child.

## **NEW HORIZONS PRESCHOOL (BATAVIA PARK DISTRICT)**

### **Primary Address**

14 N. Van Buren  
Batavia, IL 60510  
(630) 406-5282

### **E-Mail**

[gailz@bataviaparks.org](mailto:gailz@bataviaparks.org)

### **Website**

[www.bataviaparks.org](http://www.bataviaparks.org)

### **Notes**

Contact name – Gail Zwaska, Preschool Supervisor

### **Philosophy**

The New Horizons Preschool program is designed to provide an opportunity for social and emotional growth as well as a beginning adjustment to a more formal school experience. The program is based on the philosophy that children learn more through play. Play provides opportunities for children of all abilities to participate in common activities, yet allows for success and mastery. This is paramount in the foundation of self-esteem and self-confidence.

### **Classes Offered (ages/days/times)**

3 by 1/1/13 W 8:30 - 10:15am  
3 by 1/1/13 W 10:30 - 12:15 pm  
3 by 9/1/12 T/Th 9:30 - 11:30am  
3 by 9/1/12 T/Th 12:30 - 2:30pm  
4 by 9/1/12 M/W/F 9:00 - 11:30am  
4 by 9/1/12 M/W/F 12:15 - 2:45pm  
4 by 9/1/12 M/T/Th/F 9:00 - 11:30am  
5 by 1/1/13 M/T/Th/F 12:15 - 3:00pm

### **Program/Daily Schedule:**

Learning centers, gross motor (either outside at playground or inside our gym), art, and circle time.

### **Fees 2012-2013 school years:**

A \$20 non-refundable registration fee and the deposit are due at registration.

Young 3 yr program, Wednesdays- \$97/month

3 yr program, T/Th- \$99/month

4 yr program, M/W/F - \$149/month

4 Day/4 yr old program, M/T/Th/F - \$189

5 yr program, M/T/Th/F - \$209/month

### **Registration Procedure:**

Registration is only accepted in person at the Eastside Community Center at 14 N. Van Buren. Registration for Park District Residents begins the first week of January. Registration for Non-Residents begins the first week of February.

## **POLKA DOT DRAGON**

### **Primary Address**

11 S. Lincolnway  
North Aurora, Illinois 60542  
630-801-4868

### **Email**

polkadragon123@aol.com

### **Notes**

#### **Philosophy**

A Place to share the magic of childhood and the joy of learning. All Classes are educationally based with pre-writing, pre-reading, and math activities. Children are involved in science and music activities weekly. Also bi-weekly Spanish lessons. The child builds their self esteem while learning everything necessary to succeed in Kindergarten.

#### **Classes Offered (ages/days/times)**

Full day ages 3-6 6:30- 6:00 Preschool only MWF or TTH 8:00-11:15

Pre-K M-F 11:45-2:15 After School care 2:15-6:00 School age summer Camp 6:30-6:00

#### **Fees (2011-2012)**

Full day \$170 a week Part time full day \$40 a day

MWF Preschool \$55 a week T-TH Preschool \$40 a week Pre-K \$65 a week

After school Care \$85 a week School age summer camp \$170 a week

#### **Registration Procedure**

Open registration in February and continues until classes fill \$50 yearly application fee

## **RESURRECTION LUTHERAN SCHOOL**

### **Primary Address**

2567 W. Sullivan Road  
Aurora, IL 60506  
630-907-1313

### **E-Mail**

resurrection60506@msn.com

### **Website**

[www.relcs.org](http://www.relcs.org)

### **Notes**

Contacts: Brian Mensching or Linda Grennan

### **Philosophy**

Resurrection 's preschool provides a school environment similar to a Christian family—operating under Christ and showing His love toward each other. The preschool will offer your child a social setting to expand his or her sphere of friends and care givers. Learning will take place under a limited structure to acclimate students to the “school experience.”

### **Classes Offered (ages/days/times)**

Resurrection's preschool program is for three and four year olds. Parents may choose from 1-5 days of preschool. Classes meet in the morning from 8:15 to 11:00. The afternoon session is on Tuesday through Thursday only, from 12:30 till 3:15.

### **Program/Daily Schedule**

8:15/12:30 Welcome/Quiet Activity

8:25/12:40 Movement

8:30/12:45 Jesus Time (Friday - Chapel)

8:45/1:00 Circle Time/Large Group

9:00/1:15 Centers (Plan – Work – Review)

10/2:15 Themes/Small Group

10:15/2:30 Snack

10:30/2:45 Recess

10:50/3:05 Story

11/3:15 Dismissal

### **Fees (2011-2012)**

Please call to receive the fees for the upcoming year.

### **Registration Procedure**

Please call the school number to set up a time to register or to receive a registration packet.

## **SHARE AND CARE LEARNING CENTER, INC.**

### **Primary Address**

1 N. Lincolnway  
North Aurora, Illinois 60542  
(630)892-2818

### **E-Mail**

debbiman@aol.com

### **Website**

[www.shareandcarelearning.com](http://www.shareandcarelearning.com)

### **Notes**

#### **Philosophy**

The center's basic philosophy of child care is one that believes all children are unique individuals who must pass through certain developmental stages. However, realizing that each child is an individual and develops at his own rate, our environment and learning centers are structured according to individual needs. This provides enough challenge for every child, and still meets the needs of the very youngest child. Through play, the child will be provided with opportunities to learn about himself, the world he lives in, and his feelings.

#### **Classes Offered (ages/days/times)**

##### **Program/Daily Schedule**

2- 1 ½ hour pre-kindergarten sessions available Mon-Wed-Fri for 4-5 yr. olds

Tues-Thurs for 3-4 yr. olds

Infants- 6wks.-15 months

Toddler 15months-2 yrs.

2-3 yr. olds

Full day preschool 3-4 yr. olds

Full day PreK 4-5 yr. olds

Before/After School Kdg. – 5th grade (13 yrs. Old for summer camp)

#### **Fees (2011-2012)**

M-W-F Preschool 8:15-11:00 \$150 per 4 weeks

T-Th Preschool \$125 per 4 weeks

Infants \$225.00 per week

Toddlers \$195.00 per week

Full day preschool \$160.00 (potty trained)

Before/After School \$80/\$90

#### **Registration Procedure**

\$25 one time registration fee. Physical exam dated within the 6 months of enrollment.

## **ST. MARK'S PRESCHOOL**

### **Primary Address**

101 South 6th Ave  
St. Charles, Illinois 60174  
630.584.4850

### **E-Mail**

preschool@stmarksstc.org

### **Website**

www.stmarksstc.org

### **Notes**

Philosophy (1-50 words)

We assist families in building a strong Christian foundation for their children, and in cultivating the love of learning about the world in which they live. We seek to have a developmentally appropriate environment that encourages not only a love of acquiring knowledge but also the joy of loving the Lord with all their heart.

Classes Offered (ages/days/times)

2's/3's(3 by 4/1, do not need to be potty trained) T/TH am 9-11:30

3's (3 by 9/1) MW am 8:45-11:15 3's (3 by 9/1) MWF am 9-11:30

3's (3 by 9/1) MW pm 12:15-2:45

4's (4 by 9/1) TTHF am 8:45-11:15 or TTHF pm 12-2:30

Pre K (5 by 1/1) M-F 9-11:30

\*Possible new addition for 2012-2013: 4's/5's (4 by 9/1) T/Th/F 11:45 - 2:45

3's (3 by 9/1) T/Th 11:45 - 2:45

Program/Daily Schedule

Each day the children participate in circle time, Jesus time, free play(center based), developmental academic curriculum, open ended art, gross motor(playground and indoor gym) and snack(nut free school). In addition, our program offers computers in each room, cooking experiences, field trips, library visits and music instruction through B# Music.

Fees (2011-2012)

2 day \$144 /month

3 day \$189/month

5 day \$245/month

Registration Procedure

Pre-registration for church members, currently enrolled students and their siblings and alumni will be held in January. Enrollment for new students will begin February 1. Please call or e mail the preschool for more information or to set up a tour.

## **SWING SET PRESCHOOL**

### **Primary Address**

40W451 Fox Mill Blvd  
St. Charles, IL 60175  
630-443-8570

### **E-Mail**

Swingsetpreschool@uccstc.org

### **Website**

[www.uccstc.org/swingset.org](http://www.uccstc.org/swingset.org)

### **Notes**

Contact name: Sue Farr, Director

### **Philosophy**

Realizing that the preschool years are crucially formative and impressionable years, our goal is to provide a warm, happy and enriching environment in which each child will be accepted and respected with love, as a whole and unique individual in God's world.

### **Classes Offered (ages/days/times)**

Junior Preschool (3 year olds): T/Th 9 - 11:30 and 12:30 – 3:00  
Senior Preschool (4 year olds): M/W/F 9 – 11:30 and 12:30 – 3:00  
Pre-K (5 year olds): M/T/W/Th 12:30 – 3:00  
Story Stretchers (3, 4, 5 year olds): Friday 12:30 – 3:00

### **Program/Daily Schedule**

We provide a literacy rich environment with a balance of child-initiated and teacher-directed hands-on discovery time, outdoor time, large motor activities, developmental art, music and story time.

### **Fees (2011-2012)**

Registration \$50 for new students \$25 for returning students  
2 day program \$125/month  
3 day program \$155/month  
4 day program \$175/month  
1 day program \$50/month

### **Registration Procedure**

Open registration begins at 8:30 a.m. the first Monday in February.

## **WESLEY METHODIST CHURCH NURSERY SCHOOL**

### **Primary Address**

14 N. May Street  
Aurora, IL 60506  
630-631-5744

### **E-Mail**

pre-school@mcleodusa.net

### **Website**

[www.wesleyumcaurora.org](http://www.wesleyumcaurora.org)

### **Notes**

Contact names: Carole Ruby or Wendy Connell

### **Philosophy**

Through purposeful play our children learn how to share, create, cooperate, interact, communicate and solve problems. Support for all children is provided by loving, happy, knowledgeable staff in partnership with family, church and school. Kindergarten readiness skills are taught through a play atmosphere.

### **Classes Offered**

Ages 3, 4, and pre-kindergarten 5 year olds  
Monday – Friday  
9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

### **Program/Daily Schedule**

NAEYC Accredited. Our program is guided by NAEYC criteria. Daily schedule includes free choice play, group games, stories, music, singing, art activities, ongoing literacy activities, and large motor activities daily in the gym or outdoor play area.

### **Fees (2011-2012)**

\$60 registration fee; \$50 one-time fee (insurance, vision/hearing screening etc)  
\$150/month

### **Registration Procedure**

Call or email school for registration form and to arrange a tour. Return registration form with registration fee of \$60.