

MY WHOLE EARTH ACADEMY

2023/2024 School Year – Prep School Programs

Parent Participation Prep Class – The Introduction & Development of Skills (75 minutes, Monday - Thursday, 11 am – 12:15pm, for children 20 – 30 months old)

We look forward to gently introducing you and your toddler to the classroom experience. In this class, you will attend with your child and stay with them the whole time, guiding them to notice their Teacher's instructions and to engage peacefully with their peers and classroom materials.

Teachers will coach <u>You</u> on how to activate your child's innate 'learning-by-mimicry' and support their first efforts at appropriate social behaviours. Together, you will gain valuable school experiences such as exploring art materials through simple crafts and enjoying social interactions with Teachers and peers. You'll practice effective and friendly communication techniques, and participate in guided snack, lesson, and circle times. As you demonstrate your enthusiasm and participation, your child will watch and mimic your sense of curiousity and involvement.

When your child is comfortable in the classroom, your coaching conversations with the Teacher will expand to include guidance for conflict resolution between peers and constructive tips to support success during parent-child disagreements. When your Teacher observes that your child is ready, you may begin to 'transfer trust and authority' from Parent to Teacher by gently widening your child's sphere of trust to include Teachers when you leave the room for a practiced absence (2-5 minutes).

In time, your child will feel confident enough to be fully engaged without your constant support. When that day comes, we will be ready with our Jr Preschool Program, and you will be ready to step away for long enough to have tea with a friend, get your hair done, or just enjoy a little 'you' time!

Our Goals: To lay a strong social foundation based in kindness and trust while learning basic school social skills such as waiting, listening, asking the Teacher for help, taking pride in cleaning up, turn-taking, and more.

	2 days	3 days	4 days
Full School Year SEP 5 - JUN 21	\$1,615	\$2,422	\$3,080
Fall Semester SEP 5 - DEC 15	\$652	\$978	\$1,248
Winter Semester JAN 2 – Mar 29	\$565	\$848	\$1,082
Spring Semester Apr 1 - JUN 21	\$528	\$793	\$1,013

Tuition Fees Parent & Child Class (1.25 hrs)





Junior Preschool - Independence Building Toward On-My-Own Participation (2 hours, Monday - Thursday, 9am – 11am, for children 2½ - 3½ years old)

Our licensed Jr Preschool Program supports your child's emerging sense of autonomy and independence. We continue the 'Transfer of Trust and Authority' from Parent to Teacher by asking parents to remain seated at the side of the room or in our lobby, throughout class. Your child may come to you for reassurance and connection at any time, while also having the opportunity to practice 'on-my-own' participation and develop the confidence to 'go to school'. All while still enjoying the closeness and security that having you near provides them.

English vocabulary and school concepts are explored with greater depth and higher order reasoning skills such as timekeeping, planning and problem solving are introduced. Opportunities abound to develop their confidence along with personal self-control and life skill independence. Guided classroom activities such as art & science exploration build on the foundational skills gained in Prep class. Early numeracy & literacy activities further enhance the learning environment.

Our Goals: To support the emerging autonomy of each child and begin healthy separation from their caregiver for most, if not all, classroom activities. To expand your child's vocabulary for receiving help, changing social interactions for the better, and sharing feelings.

Junior Preschool GE – Gradual Entry & Guided Play with Older Students

(1 hour, Monday - Thursday, 11am – 12pm, for children 2½ - 3½ years old)

If your child is successfully attending Jr Preschool and can follow Teacher instructions without you in immediate attendance, but still needs some parental closeness or is not quite ready for full Preschool, they may be granted permission to join the Preschool Class during the 11:00am-12:00pm physical activity time. Here they can make connections before graduating to the new environment.

Children who join the Jr Preschool GE Class in this manner must have their parent in attendance, but to the side and available as needed by their child or the Teachers. If you think your child is ready, ask your Teacher for more information. Fees for this add on are determined on a case-by-case basis and paid separately at the end of each month.

Our Goals: To support independent Preschool attendance and complete the 'Transfer of Trust and Authority' to Teachers while building relationship and friendship skills.

Tuition Fees	Jr Preschool (2 hours)		
	2 days	3 days	4 days
Full School Year SEP 5 - JUN 21	\$2,203	\$3,306	\$4,168
Fall Semester SEP 5 - DEC 15	\$900	\$1,352	\$1,708
Winter Semester JAN 2 – Mar 29	\$780	\$1,168	\$1 <i>,</i> 483
Spring Semester Apr 1 - JUN 21	\$733	\$1,098	\$1,393



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Multidisciplinary Preschool - Who am I? Where are we? What is school all about? (3 hours, Mon - Friday, 9:00am - 12:00am, for children 3 - 4 years old)

Let the questions begin! Our Multidisciplinary Preschool Program offers a unique curriculum that blends the pedagogies of Montessori, Reggio, Waldorf, and the BC Early Learning Framework. We encourage your child to use their natural learning style to complete daily activities while being inspired to become lifelong learners who are self-sufficient, confident members of society. Our bright and engaging classroom is arranged into thematic stations with quality materials for every curiosity and interest your child may have.

As your child's first independent school experience, we know that they may need some help getting over the emotional and social hurdles of being on their own. Using compassionate communication and inclusive language, Teachers support healthy methods of sharing feelings, asking for turns, setting boundaries, and managing natural frustrations. It is in these early years that a strong foundation of mindful living is carefully laid!

You've heard of STEM and STEAM? Our wholistic **STREAMING** academic curriculum ensures that all types of intelligences and interests are given an opportunity to learn and shine. Every week we offer experiences in **S**cience, **T**echnology, **R**eading and Writing, **E**ngineering, **A**rt, **M**ath, **M**usic, **I**ndividual Work, **N**ature Studies, and **G**roup Projects to stimulate creativity, critical thinking, and problem solving. Monthly themes draw from the fields of Cultural Anthropology, Natural Sciences and Geography to further develop your child as a Global Citizen possessing a sustainable world view balanced with a scientific mind.

Due to the emergent and ongoing learning that happens in our classes, we strongly recommend enrolling for the highest number of days per week that your child can attend in good health. Challenging topics are made accessible by being presented as projects, both group and individual, that are completed over several days and build on the lessons from previous days. Repetition works!

Our Goals: To inspire your child to be curious, empathetic, mindful, and confident while out in the world and at school. To prepare your child for successful entry into Jr Kindergarten.

Tuition Fees	Preschool (3 hours)		
	3 days	4 days	5 days
Full School Year SEP 5 - JUN 21	\$5,242	\$6,632	\$7,123
Fall Semester SEP 5 - DEC 15	\$2,135	\$2,712	\$2,928
Winter Semester JAN 2 – Mar 29	\$1,850	\$2,350	\$2 <i>,</i> 608
Spring Semester Apr 1 - JUN 21	\$1,735	\$2,205	\$2,380



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Multidisciplinary Junior Kindergarten – Everything I Need to Know for Kindergarten! (3.5 hours, Monday - Friday, 1:00 - 4:30 pm, for children 4 - 5 years old)

Time to Level Up! Our Multidisciplinary Junior Kindergarten Program offers a unique curriculum that blends the pedagogies of Montessori, Reggio, Waldorf, and the BC Early Learning Framework. We encourage your child to use their natural learning style to complete daily activities while being inspired to become lifelong learners who are self-sufficient, confident members of society. Our bright and engaging classroom is arranged into thematic stations with quality materials for every curiousity and interest your child may have.

This 'next level' Preschool Program is designed to prepare your child fully for their admission into Kindergarten while gently supporting their ongoing socio-emotional and physical development. Building on what your child has already learned about life in Preschool, our Teachers will help them confidently ask and find answers to their questions about the world around them. With Life on Earth as our focus of inquiry, our emergent curriculum uses real science experiments, Reggio-style nature projects, and the interactive use of Montessori class materials to broaden your child's vocabulary, increase their mental acumen, and further their understanding of their lived experiences.

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Due to the emergent and ongoing learning that happens in our classes, we strongly recommend enrolling for the highest number of days per week that your child can attend in good health. Challenging topics are made accessible by being presented as projects, both group and individual, that are completed over several days and build on the lessons from previous days. Repetition works!

Our Goals: To prepare your child socially, emotionally, mentally, and physically for the rigours of elementary school and life in general while nurturing their confidence and self-image as a kind member of society.

 Tuition Fees 	Jr Kinde	Jr Kindergarten (3.5 hours)		
	3 days	4 days	5 days	
Full School Year SEP 5 - JUN 21	\$6,213	\$7,863	\$8,458	
Fall Semester SEP 5 - DEC 15	\$2,493	\$3,210	\$3,470	
Winter Semester JAN 2 – Mar 29	\$2,162	\$2,783	\$3,092	
Spring Semester Apr 1 - JUN 21	\$1,995	\$2,610	\$2,822	



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2023/2024 School Year – HIL Program

Highly Interested Learners (HIL) Junior Kindergarten Program – Teach me EVERYTHING! (3.5 hours, Monday - Friday, 1:00 -4:30 pm, for children 4 - 6 years old)

Calling All Lovers of Knowledge! Do you have a child with an unquenchable thirst for answers? A child who loves to learn? This is a special program just for them! Our HIL Junior Kindergarten Program offers an enriched version of our unique multidisciplinary curriculum to engage your child's innate love of learning while helping them develop into self-sufficient, confident members of society. Our bright and engaging classrooms are arranged into thematic stations with quality materials for every curiousity and interest and we go out on Field Trips, too!

Weekly lesson plans are co-created with the students and themes are explored through challenging weekly projects. Students may team up into groups or work independently while applying and expanding the skills they are learning. An excellent precursor for IB programs or private schools, our HIL program provides opportunities for your child to develop their mind, heart, and skills to the fullest.

With Life on Earth as the focus of inquiry, our curriculum uses real science and technology experiments, Reggio-style nature projects, and Montessori class materials to broaden your child's vocabulary, increase their mental acumen, and further their understanding of their lived experiences. Themes draw from the fields of Cultural Anthropology, Natural Sciences, and Geography to further develop your child as a kind Global Citizen with a sustainable world view and a scientific mind.

This specialized JK program gently supports your child's ongoing socio-emotional development as we guide them to confidently ask and find answers to their questions about the world around them and remember to include their peers in the discussion or project at hand. Field Trips to the Library, local nature settings, and fun Educational Centers are another great way that we promote their ability to make friends and learn how to be a member of the team while satisfying their urge to know more!

Due to the challenging nature of the lessons we undertake, we strongly recommend enrolling for the highest number of days per week that your child can attend in good health. Much of our learning is experiential and comes from projects that are completed over several days and build on the lessons from previous days. Repetition works!

Our Goals: To encourage and expand upon your child's strong interest in knowledge while nurturing their confidence and self-image as a kind member of society. *(Interview required for admission)*

Tuition Fees	JK HIL	JK HIL Program (3.5 hours)		
	3 days	4 days	5 days	
Full School YearSEP 5 - JUN 21	\$6,213	\$7,863	\$8,458	
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