

About Us

Thank you for your interest in Wayland Union Schools' Little Wildcats Preschool programs! Our preschools foster learning through play by offering developmentally appropriate activities. We focus on the whole child, supporting their social, emotional, physical, and cognitive growth.

We offer tuition-based classes for three-year-olds and free classes for four-year-olds at both Baker and Dorr Elementary Schools. Our three-year-old classes are limited to 16 students, while our four-year-old classes accommodate 19 students at Baker Elementary and 20 students at Dorr Elementary.

**4-year-old Preschool is funded through the Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP)*



Other Preschool Options Available to Wayland Families

Head Start:

- A federally funded free preschool for both 3 and 4-year-olds with center-based and home-based options. Families must qualify based on income guidelines. Visit www.hmgallegan.org and click on "Family Resources" then "Preschool and Childcare" to see if you qualify.

Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE):

- Offered to preschool children with special needs. If you have concerns about your child's development, call WUS Special Programs at (269) 792-3069.

For more information, please scan the QR code:



Little Wildcats Preschool

Offerings for 3 and 4 year olds



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Enrollment

Enrollment opens on February 7th, 2025

- Visit hmgallegan.org to fill out the Allegan Area Preschool Application (Get Connected > Preschool (3-5 year old) > Interest Form)
- Completing the interest form does NOT guarantee a spot in the classroom, but will allow us to contact you with the next steps.



Rates

- 3-year-old Half Day (M/W/F): \$195 /month (in-district*), \$225/month (out of district)
- 3-year-old Half Day (T/Th): \$130/month (in-district*), \$150/month (out of district)
 - WUS district residents receive a discounted rate from the Gun Lake Tribe in lieu of tax money
- 4-year-old: Free through the Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP)



Little Wildcats Preschool Offerings

Baker Elementary

- 3 year old Half Day AM (Mon, Wed, Fri)
9:05am - 11:45am
- 4 year old Full Day (Mon - Thurs)
9:00am - 4:00pm
 - 3 classrooms available

Dorr Elementary

- 3 year old Half Day AM (Tue, Thur)
9:05am - 11:45am
- 4 year old Full Day (Mon- Thursday)
8:50am - 3:50pm
 - 2 classrooms available

Must be age 3 or age 4 by September 1st, 2025



Curriculum

- Our 3-year-old preschoolers receive instruction through the *Learning Without Tears* curriculum. This curriculum focuses on early literacy, math, science, and social-emotional development
- Our 4-year-old preschoolers receive instruction using the *Creative Curriculum*, emphasizing adult-child interactions in a carefully designed learning environment that is play-based and strengthens initiative and self-reliance in children.

Calendar

Preschoolers begin in September and go through the end of May. We follow the Wayland Union School District calendar for holidays and closures.

