



## A note from the director...

Valley Christian Preschool is a joyful ministry of Valley Community Presbyterian Church and a celebrated resource within our community. We embrace childhood by encouraging each child to discover the world through hands-on learning and the richness of open-ended play. This creates a solid foundation for their formal education and a love of learning in the years to come. In an atmosphere of love and acceptance modeled by God's unconditional love, the children develop self-esteem as well as confidence in their place in the group. Families are supported by our philosophy of sharing God's love, resulting in a community where we work together to create a wonderful place for children to thrive.

Tandra Pitchford, Director

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- Valley Christian Preschool is a ministry of
- Valley Community Presbyterian Church,
- which has served families in the Raleigh
- Hills and greater West Slope area for more
- than fifty years. We welcome students of
- any race, color, national or ethnic origin,
- and religious background.
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## 2009-2010 Class Schedule and Tuition Information

Classes begin the first Tuesday following Labor Day and ends the week before Memorial Day.

Tuition is based on expenses for the entire preschool year and is then divided into nine equal payments.

<b>Young 2 yr olds</b>	Fridays	\$ 90/mth
<b>2½ year olds</b>	Mon/Wed Tues/Thurs	\$180/mth \$180/mth
<b>* 3 year olds</b>	Mon/Wed Tues/Thurs	\$140/mth \$140/mth
<b>* 4 year olds</b>	Mon/Wed/Fri Tues/Thurs/Fri	\$170/mth \$170/mth

AM classes meet from 9 - 11:45a.m.

**\* 4 year olds extended day option** \$235/mth  
4 year old extended class meets from 9 - 1:00a.m.

**Lunch Bunch Group** \$25/mth  
- Lunch Bunch begins in October and is based on availability.  
- Fee is \$25/mth for one day per week.

Tuition is subject to change and will be finalized before January registration.

A yearly non-refundable \$150 registration fee as well as last months tuition is due upon registration.

\*Children must be potty trained to attend these classes.



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*"Learning, growing, sharing in God's love."*

### Play with a Purpose

For your 2 - 5 year old

A ministry of Valley Community  
Presbyterian Church

**The core purpose of Valley Christian Preschool is to embrace childhood in partnership with family and God.**



**Our Preschool Community shares the following values:**

**Christian Faith Principles**

We model and teach Christian faith principles such as love, patience, kindness, compassion, goodness, self control, gentleness, forgiveness, faithfulness, joy and humility.

**Child-Centered Curriculum**

We believe children learn through play. Our teachers skillfully prepare and facilitate open-ended learning environments appropriate for child-initiated exploration.

**Relationships**

We value each child and all people as unique gifts from God.

**Continuing Education**

We value continuous learning and what it brings to our community.

**Childhood**

We value childhood and its importance on 'who' young children become. We believe it is our responsibility to be active in safekeeping it.

**Staff**

Valley Christian Preschools' lead teachers hold degrees in Early Childhood Education. Each staff member is knowledgeable in areas relating to child development, participating each year in professional development to increase our knowledge base. Our Christian values are expressed in our genuine love of children.

**Family Involvement**

Family involvement is welcomed and encouraged. Taking part in your child's education benefits children and their families. With each shared experience, adults and children grow in community. While there are no required time commitments, Valley Christian Preschool offers a variety of ways to get involved and strives to discover the many talents of extended families.

**Curriculum**

Our program is a child-centered approach to learning through play. The staff recognizes, supports and facilitates curriculum themes that emerge from the needs and interests of the children. This developmentally appropriate program allows each child to grow in every area of child development at his/her own rate.

Our Classrooms are filled with:

- Music
- Math
- Art
- Science and Discovery
- Dramatic Play
- Fine and gross motor experiences
- Block Play
- Written and Oral language arts



**Program Information**

Valley Christian Preschool provides a safe, healthy, nurturing environment for children from 2 to 5 years of age. VCP provides high quality, creative and developmentally appropriate programs that lead to children experiencing God's love, creating a foundation upon which positive social relationship and strong self-esteem are built.

**2 and 2 1/2 Year Old Classes**

The children are introduced to the wonder of the world around them through opportunities to explore. The open-ended nature of play with a variety of materials encourages the children to develop the skills they need in order to progress to the next level. The teacher/student ratio is 2:10.

**3 Year Old Class**

This class encourages the child's cognitive and social skills. Each active morning provides the students with hands-on learning opportunities and spontaneous social interactions. Experiencing successful outcomes under the guiding hand of the teachers leads toward healthy self-esteem. The teacher/student ratio is 2:16.

**4 Year Old Class**

This class fosters an atmosphere of cooperative learning. We reinforce the social skills already acquired and expand the learning skills necessary to successfully transition to Kindergarten. The teacher/student ratio is 2:18.

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