

Treehouse News 2024-2025 School Year

WELCOME!

Welcome to the 2024-2025 School Session! I look forward to a great year, filled with learning and fun for everyone.

The early childhood years are the most important stage in a person's life. These formative years are a crucial time for parents and educators to provide positive experiences and instill strong character in children.

Please feel free to email me with any questions. You are also welcome to come see me in person for any questions or concerns.

I am thankful for each one of you that you chose Treehouse Preschool for your child's early education.

I welcome our new and returning families to Treehouse. We will have a wonderful year together.

May the Lord bless your family!



Treehouse Staff 2024-25

<u>Little Angels Class</u>

Loretta Nelson, Head Teacher & Assistant Director Fairy Yang, Teacher Vuong Takamatsu, Teacher Yan Li, Teacher

Preschool Class

Rhonda Jimenez, Head Teacher Natalie Wynne, Teacher Candice Lin, Teacher

Pre-Kindergarten Class

Jenna Banks, Head Teacher Taiko Roskothen, Teacher Jodi Eatherly, Teacher

Transitional Kindergarten

Jill Gilmete, Head Teacher Lorena Torres, Teacher

<u>Administrative Staff</u>

Jan Nienu, Director Kayla Sancada, Office Administrator

Jan Nienu

We welcome Teacher Fairy and Teacher Yan Li! Fairy started at Treehouse in January of this year and has already become a team player for Little Angels. Yan Li is our newest teacher and she is bringing with her years of experience from another preschool and from raising her own kids.

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General Information



Parent – Teacher Communication

Newsletters will be emailed via Constant Contact to both parents at the beginning of each month. (All parents have already been signed up to Constant Contact. No action is needed. If you do not receive any Constant Contact emails, please contact us).

Please read all emails carefully. They will provide you with information about events taking place in the classroom. If information needs to be given in the middle of a month, it will be shared in the same manner.

If you need to discuss matters with your child's Head Teacher, please make an appointment. It is not always possible for the teaching staff to give you their full attention during class sessions.

Procedures

Sign In & Sign Out

It is required by law that you sign in and sign out your child each day, using your full signature

No sibling or person under eighteen (18) years

Treehouse requires written permission from a

drop-off

at all times. Please write clearly and record your

of age is legally allowed to sign in or sign out any

parent in order to add persons to the list of those

authorized to pick up your child. If a nanny is picking up your child, make sure that your child is

restricted from coming into the classroom. Parents

will sign in/out at the counter, wash their child's

hands and bring them to the classroom door, where

a teacher will greet them. LA students will have

their hands washed by a teacher. TK parents will sign in/out at a table outside the classroom. A

teacher will then take them inside to wash their

the classroom to collect their child's belongings.

During afternoon pick-up, parents may enter

picked up on time and is properly signed out.

During **morning**

time accurately, noting any drop-in hours.

Treehouse student.

Cubbies

Each child has a basket or "cubbie" with his or her name on the front. This cubbie is a place for the children to store their special artwork and other projects.

Please check your child's cubbie on a regular basis and take all art projects home with you.

Clothing

It is important that you send your child to school in clothes that are both comfortable and washable.

We also ask that your child wear comfortable tennis shoes. No sandals or Crocs will be allowed.

Please bring an extra set of clothes and underwear to school for your child.

Please remember to <u>label</u> all clothing, including sweaters and jackets.



Room Parents

Thank you for our wonderful room parents who continue to support us year after year!

Little Angels: Jill Potter Preschool: Chanda Gonzales Pre-K: Michelle Malison TK: Amanda Guslani & Loran Tolbert (Chair)



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Birthdays

parents <u>ar</u>e

Children are invited to celebrate their birthdays at school. If you would like to bring a special snack for your child's class please inform the Head Teacher so she can put your child on the birthday calendar.

We can have fun and limit the amount of sugar. We suggest that <u>instead</u> of cupcakes children bring fruit, fresh veggies with dip, individual size yogurt. No nuts/peanuts please.

Parents will not be allowed to join in the classroom celebrations at this time.



General Information



Lunch Time

Parents are asked to provide a nutritious lunch for their child if he or she is scheduled to stay for the noon hour. The Little Angels class have lunch at school starting around 11:30 am, and Preschool, Pre-K, and TK will have lunch at 11:55 am.

Please <u>do not</u> send junk food, candy, or food needing refrigeration or heating. Hot food may be prepacked from home in thermos containers. However, we <u>do not</u> heat up any student lunches and we <u>do not</u> have space to refrigerate students' lunches.

24-25 Treehouse Directory

Every year we release our school directory in November. This directory contains photos of all the children, their names, and their families' address and contact info. This directory is for personal use such as play dates and outside school birthday parties. Every family will receive a free copy. *If you do not wish for your child's photo or family address to be in the directory, please email Jan or Kayla.



Contact Information

Director-Jan Nienu jan@treehousepreschool.org

Office Administrator-Kayla Sancada kayla@treehousepreschool.org

Please contact Kayla with any questions regarding payments. She will be emailing financial information to you as needed.

New Info... PLEASE

Included in this Packet is a **Verification of Contact Info** form. Please review the information on this form and make any changes necessary to update your information. If you have any changes, please return the form to the office.

Throughout the school year, please inform the office in writing if you have any new family information such as address or phone number changes or people authorized to pick up your child.

Safety First

Please lock your car door when dropping off or picking up your child.

Please do not leave your car running, and **do not** leave any children unattended in your vehicle at any time.

Also please do not leave any valuables in your car. * If you need assistance during morning drop-off, please call the office. We are happy to come and support you.

Earthquake/Emergency out of state contact: Jennifer Ankcorn, a former office administrator, lives in Washington state and she will be our contact in case of an emergency. Cell: (425) 306-5447



Thank you for driving slowly through the parking lot!

Financial Information



SAMPLE CHECK Date September 1, 2024 1234 Pay to the order of Treehouse First Covenant Church \$xx.xx xx and xx/100 dollars

Signature

Memo Treehouse

Tuition Payments

The Treehouse school year runs from September through June. Tuition payments are due on the 1st of each month.

We send a reminder to parents via classroom posters next to the sign-in/sign-out folders and through our monthly newsletters. Please remember to make your payment promptly at the beginning of each month.

Late Payments: Tuition is due by the 1st of the month, *regardless* of the days your child attends, is out sick, or on vacation.

Tuition not received by the 5th calendar day of the month will be assessed a late fee of \$15.00.

Drop Box: For your convenience, there is a tuition drop box in the Treehouse Office door.

Receipts:

Please let us know if you will need a tuition receipt for work reimbursement or for personal records. We are happy to email you a monthly Tuition Statement. Also, let us know if you will need a 2024 year-end statement for tax purposes.

Absences & Withdrawal

All students are contracted for 10 months, September 2024 - June 2025. Payment for the full ten months is required as outlined in the Tuition Payment Contract signed upon enrollment.

Please notify us if your child will be absent from school. We do not offer substitution of days missed due to illness, vacations, or school holidays. All tuition payments are non-refundable.

For school holidays, please refer to the Official Treehouse Calendar for the 2023-2024 School Session.

Students Signed Up for 9am-4pm

Students signed up for the Extended Program: 9am-4pm must arrive anytime after 9am and be picked up by 4pm.

There is a 5 minute grace period before 9:00am drop-off and after 4:00pm pick-up. However, this grace period is not be used on a regular basis. Any early drop-offs before 8:55am and late pick-ups after 4:05pm will be charged an early drop-off/ late fee of \$15 per hour for the full hour.

Students Signed Up for 7:30am-6pm

Students signed up for the Full-Time Program: 7:30am-6:00pm must arrive anytime after 7:30am and be picked up promptly by 6:00pm.

There is no 5 minute grace period for the Full-time schedule. There are no drop-offs before 7:30am and any late pick-ups right after 6:00pm will be charged \$1 per minute starting at 6pm. This is to be paid to the