Wren’s Nest Forest Preschool Application 2019-2020

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Wren’s Nest enrolls children full days 8:00 to 2:30, with an option of extended programming from 2:30-4:30. Children are encouraged to enroll for a minimum of three days a week, but we offer slots for two, four, and five days as well. Our program is for 3-5 year olds who are toilet-trained by the time they start in September.

Children who will be aged 3 or 4 by September 1, 2019 are eligible to receive state preschool funding towards 10 hours/week of preschool tuition. Additional tuition costs are the responsibility of the family/guardian.

Wren’s Nest employs a whole-child, immersive, sensory-based approach to learning. We aim to foster children’s independence and understanding of the interconnectedness of the natural world through a joyful, play based, and emergent learning approach. Wren’s Nest creates a warm and caring place for children to embody their natural sense of awe and wonder. Children develop a deep level of comfort and love for the land and its inhabitants. Each child’s interest guides the learning process. Children at Wren’s Nest are encouraged to take personal and developmentally appropriate risks. For preschoolers this may be staying outside longer than they’re used to, holding a bug in their hands, or it may simply be walking into the woods for the first time without their trusted adult. We encourage siblings, parents, guardians, and grandparents to attend events and take active roles in exploring the wonders of nature with their children.

Wren’s Nest Preschool admits students and families of all socioeconomic status, race, ethnicity, religion, gender, sexual orientation, nationality, and ability/disability.
Please return this portion to Wren’s Nest

Child’s name: ________________________________
Preferred pronoun (he/she/they) _______ Age: _____ Date of birth: ______________________
Parent/Guardian Name________________________________________________________________
Address_________________________ Town_________________ State_______ Zip__________
E-Mail ____________________________________________
Home Phone ___________ Cell Phone_____________ Work Phone__________________________
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Indicate below the number of days & extended care requested

☐ 2 days per week $112/month M,T,W,T,F Deposit due upon acceptance: $80
☐ 3 days per week $355/month M,T,W,T,F Deposit due upon acceptance: $200
☐ 4 days per week $597/month M,T,W,T,F Deposit due upon acceptance: $350
☐ 5 days per week $840/month M,T,W,T,F Deposit due upon acceptance: $500

*Please note: these rates reflect the co-pay. If you do not qualify for pre-k funding (see above)
please request an auxiliary tuition sheet.

Extended Programming 2:30-4:30

☐ 2 days per week $140/month M,T,W,T,F
☐ 3 days per week $210/month M,T,W,T,F
☐ 4 days per week $280/month M,T,W,T,F
☐ 5 days per week $350/month M,T,W,T,F

Notes about schedule:

Wren’s Nest provides two healthy snacks a day. Students bring their own packed lunches.

*Please enclose a non-refundable application fee of $50.00. Checks made payable to “The
Willowell Foundation.”
The 2019-2020 Wren’s Nest class will be based on family scheduling requests, the availability of space, as well as the age and gender of your child. We will do our best to accommodate your requests as we strive to create a well-balanced group. You will receive confirmation of your child’s schedule in mid April and a contract will follow.

Your deposit is due June 11, 2019. Receipt of your deposit will confirm your child’s enrollment in Wren’s Nest. The remaining balance will be 9 equal payments, due the beginning of each month, September 2018-May 2019.

We work directly with the state to make child care affordable. To find out if you are eligible for state subsidy please call Subsidy Specialist, Jane Reilly, at 802-388-4304. Email info@willowell.org if you would like more information about scholarship opportunities.

Wren’s Nest is a Pre Kindergarten partner. We have licensed teachers, our curriculum aligns with the Vermont Early Education Standards (VELS), and we record documentation for children using Teaching Strategies Gold. These three components were established by the Vermont Agency of Education (AOE) for participating partners. Children who are 3 or 4 prior to 9/1/2019 and are enrolled for at least 2 days per week will receive state preschool funding for 10 hours per week toward preschool tuition. Please request full tuition rates if you do not qualify for the Pre-K funding.

*The deposit is in addition to the $50 application fee and secures your spot once your child has been accepted into the program. Deposit goes towards full cost of tuition.

**Thank you for applying to Wren’s Nest!**

Please return this form with your $50 application fee to

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