

2010-2011 School Year Registration Procedure

Registration for ALL children will be accepted beginning Monday, March 15, 2010. There is a **\$50 non-refundable annual registration fee** for this program payable at the time of registration. Please fill out registration forms completely – it is important that we have the most up-to-date records on file in case of emergency.

Bessworth Beginners Ages 3 to 5



The Bessworth Beginners Pre-School Program is committed to providing a creative, high quality, developmentally-appropriate curriculum. This affords the teacher and children the opportunity to have fun and enjoy the learning process while engaging in creative, integrated, hands-on learning activities that encompass the whole child.

The Bessworth Beginners begins on Tuesday, September 7, 2010, and runs through June. The program will follow the Scarborough Public School calendar regarding vacations, holidays, and storm days. Look at our NEW Extended Care Program if you require care during these time periods.

2-Day

Tuesday and Thursday
8:45 am to 12:00 noon
\$55 per week

Our two-day program offers young pre-school children 3 to 4 years old a first-time experience away from home. This program is essentially a playgroup with some very easy and fun projects to take home during the school year. Our major goal is to encourage all children to become independent while in a small group and age-appropriate setting. *Must be 3 years old by January 15, 2011, for the 2010-2011 program.*

3-Day

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday
8:45 am to 12:00 noon
\$75 per week

5-Day

Monday through Friday
8:45 am to 12:00 noon
\$105 per week

This program offers 3 to 5 year olds a classroom in which to participate in many group activities. A variety of themes will be covered during the year. We will paint, paste, and cut. Students will be introduced to letters and numbers and will have the opportunity for free play, all in an age-appropriate setting. *Must be 3 years old by October 15, 2010, for the 2010-2011 program.*

5-Day Extended

Monday through Friday
8:45 am to 12:00 noon (M, W, F)
8:45 am to 2:15 pm (Tu, Th)*
\$120 per week

Our five-day program helps to prepare children for their upcoming full day kindergarten experience. We will provide a classroom full of activities to help enhance their learning. There will be opportunities to develop early math and pre-reading skills, and they will have hands-on experiences in science, music, cooking, and art. The schedule will include free-choice time, outdoor play, and monthly field trips (additional fees will apply). *Must be 4 years old by October 15, 2010, for the 2010-2011 program.*

* Lunch can be purchased on extended days through the school nutrition program.

PLEASE NOTE:

Children must be potty trained to participate in the Bessworth Beginners program.

Extended Pre-School Care

Looking for an extended care option for your pre-school student? Do you have to work part-time or full-time but like the structure of our pre-school program? Well, you are in luck! NEW extended pre-school care options are available beginning in September of 2010.

Care will be available between 7:00 and 8:45 am, 12:00 noon and 6:00 pm, or you may choose both.

First, select the pre-school program which best meets your needs and child's age; then select what extended care you will require. The program will need a minimum of 8 students registered in order to run. Please see options and fees listed to the right. Register early to ensure a spot and to guarantee the program runs!

Lunch - Parents will have the option to send their child with a lunch from home, or lunch can be purchased daily, weekly, or monthly through the school nutrition program.



Extended Pre-School Care Fees (weekly)

Days of Care	Rates below include regular weekly pre-school care fees, vacations, holidays and storm days.		
	AM Care (7:00 to 8:45 am)	PM Care (12:00 noon to 6:00 pm)	Both AM and PM
Tu, Th	\$80	\$110	\$120
M, W, F	\$110	\$140	\$150
M-F	\$150	\$195	\$215
M-F Extended	\$150	\$195*	\$215*
* M-F Extended PM Hours: 12:00 noon to 6:00 pm (M,W, F) 2:15 to 6:00 pm (Tu, Th)			

School Age Care Grades K to 5



The School Age Child Care program is designed to provide children in kindergarten through fifth grade a safe and exciting place to be during their out-of-school hours. Our state-licensed program currently has an enrollment over 300 students.



The goal of the program is to promote the physical, mental, social, and emotional development of each child by providing high-quality child care. Activities include outside play or indoor physical activity, crafts, science, cooking, special projects, clubs, and quiet times. A nutritious snack is provided daily. We view the home, school, community, and child care settings as complementary and interrelated domains that affect children's growth and development. We keep open lines of communication among all of these groups.



Conveniently located at each school in town: Bessworth (behind Wentworth), Pleasant Hill School, Blue Point School, and Eight Corners School.

2010-2011 Monthly Fees (per child)

Day Care Schedule	5 days per week	4 days per week	3 days per week	2 days per week
Before School	\$185	\$165	\$125	\$100
After School	\$330	\$275	\$235	\$180
Before and After School	\$410	\$355	\$280	\$205
Extra Day Costs	Snow/Teacher Days: \$40		Vacation Camps: TBD	

Additional Child Care Information

- Before-school care opens at 7:00 am; after-school care closes at 6:00 pm.
- Snow days, teacher days, and vacation camps are available at Bessworth (*additional charges will apply*).
- Child care fees are billed monthly from September through May and include all regularly scheduled school days. *All fees are subject to change.*
- **Child Care does not issue invoices.** Payments are due within the first 7 business days of each month. A late fee of \$25 will automatically be assessed on the eighth business day of each month.
- **A one-month written notice must be provided prior to withdrawing your child from the program.** If proper notice is not given, child care billing will remain the same and payment will be expected. Late fees may also apply.
- Bessworth Child Care accepts cash, checks, money orders, debit cards, as well as the electronic transfer of funds (paperwork available at the Bessworth Child Care Office or the Community Services Office in the Municipal Building). Please make checks payable to *Town of Scarborough*.
- Effective February 15, 2010, Community Services will no longer be able to accept credit card payments at the counter. This is a town-wide directive and is due to reduced spending requirements resulting from reduced state funding and general slowing of revenues.
- Community Services will continue to accept credit card payments online only. Call 730-4170 or 730-4150 for your user name and password.

Would a Big Brother or Big Sister Be a Good Fit for Your 3rd to 5th Grade Child?

If so, we may be able to match your child with a Scarborough High School student who will be their special friend and mentor -- someone to talk with, teach them new things, and just have fun. High school volunteers are screened through an interview and training process. Your child and their Big will meet at Bessworth Child Care for at least one hour between 3:00 and 5:00 one afternoon every week that school is in session. If you and your child are interested, please see a Bessworth staff person for an application or call Richard Verre at Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southern Maine at 773-5437.

Club Teen Grades 6 to 8

The Club Teen program is designed to provide middle school students a safe and inviting place to be after school between 2:00 and 6:00 pm. Club Teen is located in the Middle School Cafeteria (and occasionally in the Applied Humanities Room) with time and space for homework, recreational activities, clubs and sports, as well as some free time. In order for this program to operate, we must begin with a minimum enrollment of 20 students.

**Club Teen consists of one payment option -
A MONTHLY FEE OF \$200**

2010-2011 No-School Days Day Care Coverage

We will continue offering child care coverage on scheduled no-school days at Bessworth Child Care for any students in Grades K through 8. Space is limited to 140 students and we must have a minimum of 20 students. Pre-registration is required, is on a first-come, first-served basis, and is accepted up to one week prior to the program beginning or until full. **No drop-ins allowed.**



Cost (per day per child)

- \$40 if you register 2 weeks prior
- \$45 if you register 1 week prior
- \$50 when registering 1 day prior (*if space permits*)
- \$55 when registering the day of program (*if space permits*)

Days and dates will be determined once the 2010-2011 school calendars are available.