



CLASSROOM PROFILE: A2 PRESCHOOL

STAFF

Teacher: Angela Bullock

I have a Masters of Education in Early Childhood Education as well as a bachelors' degree in Human Ecology. My work experience includes substitute teaching and summer employment with the Edwards Creative Learning Center. I have always enjoyed being around and working with children. They can be so unpredictable in what they say and do! In my free time I most enjoy spending time with my family and friends.

Assistant Teacher: Emily Kopp

I majored in Marketing and have a minor in Art History from Kent State University. I have coached gymnastics for eight years and have been teaching preschool for two years. I choose to work in early childhood education because I enjoy watching and helping children when they discover the answers to their own questions.

ROOM SCHEDULE

7:00 - 9:00am	Child initiated activities; snack
9:00 - 10:00am	Outside/large muscle room
10:00 - 10:15am	Large group-music, read-a-loud, conversation/discussion
10:15 - 11:30am	Activities
11:30 - 12:00pm	Clean-up; outside
12:00 - 1:00pm	Lunch; toileting; tooth brushing; independent/small group reading
1:00 - 3:00pm	Nap and rest
3:00 - 3:30pm	Snack
3:30 - 4:00pm	Outside/muscle room
4:00 - 6:00pm	Child initiated activities

As many classrooms partner with the room next door, families are encouraged to get to know the staff in the adjoining room as well as the staff in our Evening Program, if applicable.

PRESCHOOL CLASSROOM INFORMATION

Preschool rooms provide a safe, nurturing and stimulating environment for children to explore throughout their day. Teachers design the environment and experiences based on children's developmental needs and individual interests. Experiences with peers and teachers, written and oral language, books, music, movement, nature,



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science and math materials, blocks and other construction materials, water, sand, art and dramatic play materials enhance children's growth and development.

Group experiences, long-term projects, child-directed and teacher-directed experiences are all part of the preschool curriculum. In addition, teachers align the children's experiences with the Ohio Department of Education Early Learning Content Standards. Planned curriculum is documented for families on the classroom Possibilities Plan.

Teachers document children's experiences through the use of photographs, dictation, artwork and constructions. Teachers may also share your child's experiences with you through phone calls, email, or notes in your mailbox. In addition, individual conferences and classroom family meetings are held throughout the year.

Preschool children are encouraged to explore their environment independently. Because exploring with all your senses can be a messy process, we ask families to dress children with this in mind. Please provide an extra set of clothes to be used when necessary. In addition, children go outdoors in all kinds of weather, so it is important that families provide appropriate outerwear for each season.

Preschool children often enjoy bringing something from home to share with their friends. Please help children choose materials that promote thinking and interaction (puzzles, games, books) or materials that promote imaginative play (vehicles, dramatic play props, dress-up clothes).

It is important to us that children have a wide variety of open-ended materials with which to play. Research has shown that highly imaginative play develops the executive brain functions that children need in order to self-regulate emotions and behavior, negotiate with peers, think critically and problem-solve. Therefore, we ask that parents help children leave action figures (both the male and female varieties) and electronic toys at home.

Preschool children nap on cots which are made more comfortable by a small blanket, pillow or sleeping toy brought from home. Teachers may help children relax by reading stories, playing soft music, or rubbing backs. While some children may not nap, everyone must spend some time resting every day.

We look forward to developing relationships with children and their families. We consider our partnerships with parents to be foundational to our program. Please consider sharing your family's culture or your own unique talents with our classroom. You are welcome to visit at anytime.

Please feel free to contact our room at anytime during the day. You may call 292-4453 and ask for room A2 or email the room directly a2@hr.osu.edu. You may also direct questions or comments to the Preschool Age-Level Specialist.

We look forward to meeting your child and family!