

Extended Day/Enrichment/Full Day Programs

We understand that some families require more hours than the traditional half-day preschool program allows. Open Arms Christian Preschool offers three options for our preschool, extended day and year-round full care programs.

1. Early drop-off from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.
2. Extended day (which includes daily enrichment classes) from noon to 2:00 p.m.
3. Afternoon full care (which includes daily enrichment classes) from noon to 6:00 p.m.

Enrichment Classes. Children love exploration – new ideas, new sounds, new tastes. Our afternoon extended day and full care programs provide opportunities to explore new areas that require more time than the morning program allows. All of our enrichment classes are designed to stimulate your child's mind and senses.

The children start their afternoon with one of our fun enrichment classes and follow with a peanut-free lunch, which the children bring. The children may bring milk with their lunches. Below are just some of our enrichment classes:

Foreign languages (including sign language)	Story-telling
Cooking	Science Fun
Little Kicks soccer	Yoga
Bible stories and drama	Dance (including tap and folk)
Music & Movement	Creative Expression Art

For children enrolled in the full care program, rest time begins at 12:30 for our younger children. Older children will go down for rest at 1:30. Children who stay for rest are to bring a beach towel and a rest mat (both labeled with your child's name). Children may also bring a small "lovey" to help them rest. (no pacifiers, please). After rest, the children are involved in an enrichment activity, small group instruction or other fun activities, snack and outside time. Our schedule will stay the same throughout the week.

Our afternoon program is truly an extension of our morning preschool program. We hire equally qualified teachers and follow NAC accreditation guidelines, including maintaining accreditation teacher/child ratios.

Some of you may not need to have your child stay every week and want the flexibility of using the program occasionally and as needed. We will still accommodate drop-ins on a space-availability basis, with no less than 24 hours notice. If you find that, as the school year progresses, you would like your child to use this program regularly, please let us know. We will do our best to accommodate you, if space permits.

As always, please let us know if you have any questions about this program.