

MMO@1st FAQs

Whether you are a first-time mom or are bringing your fourth child, you are likely to have some questions about how our Mother's Morning Out Program operates. The following is a short question-answer list that hopefully will lessen your anxiety and make this transition to "school" an easy one.

What do I need to send with my child?

Send a lunch, drink(s), change of clothes, diapers, wipes and a "lovey" if needed. All bottles must have lids. Label EVERYTHING!

What do the children do while they are here?

Play, play, play! We believe learning through play is what little ones do best! We do this by "teaching" through crafts, songs and rhymes, pretending with the children, creating a variety of play centers and offering both indoor and outdoor play opportunities. Each month we have a theme that includes a color, a shape and a Bible verse. Crafts, decorations, songs and playtime will all reemphasize this theme.

Since we're part of MMO, are we automatically in the First Presbyterian Academy K2 (preschool)?

No. You need to submit an application (available at www.theacademysc.org) and an application fee ASAP.

When is tuition due and how is it calculated?

All tuition is due and will be drafted on the 1st business day of each month. All late payments and/or declined drafts will incur a \$25.00 fee. You will receive an invoice statement via email before each draft occurs as a courtesy reminder. Your tuition is calculated on a monthly rate, taking into consideration the number of days your child is registered for the school year, the number of days we are open and a \$30 per day rate.

Monthly tuition is as follows:

- 1 day per week / \$120 per month
- 2 days per week / \$240 per month
- 3 days per week / \$360 per month
- 4 days per week / \$480 per month
- 5 days per week / \$600 per month

Daily Fee: \$30 per day
 \$15 per day for 2nd child

Early Stay: \$10.00 per day

Late Stay: \$5.00 per day

Drop In Day: \$35.00 per day

What are the class sizes?

In our infant room, we have a ratio of 1:5. In the toddler rooms, our ratio is 1:6. In addition, we have our own requirement of at least 2 childcare providers at all times in each room. No teacher is ever left alone.

What should they wear?

Play clothes!!! Bring a jacket/coat when it begins to cool off outside.

What are the hours?

We are ready to care for your child Monday through Friday starting at 9:00am and closing at 2:00pm, unless you have previously signed up for early and late stay (early stay begins at 8:00am and late stay goes until 2:30pm). Your promptness is greatly appreciated, since many of us have children waiting for us, too. Please refer to our 2018-2019 calendar on the last page of your MMO Handbook for exact holiday closings.

What are the training requirements of the staff?

Each employee must take 15 hours of continuing education in Early Childhood every year and the Director takes 20 hours of continuing education training every year. Our staff is also certified in CPR, First Aid and Stewards of Children (child protection training).

Do I still pay even when my child misses a day?

Simply put, yes. We count on you to commit to your day(s) each month. Your child will eventually miss a day due to travel or illness. When this happens, it really helps if you notify us as soon as possible so that we can offer your "spot" to another child. Then, in turn, you may possibly do a make-up day at no additional charge when someone else is out. DO NOT make your own "switching" arrangements with another parent.