

Nature's Scholars Enrichment Center

February 2023

Dates to Remember

February 2nd Groundhog Day

February 7th Scholastic Due

February 14th Valentine's Day

February 16th No School Johnsborg

February 18th No School Johnsborg,
No School Richmond,
No School Harrison

February 20th President's Day
No School Johnsborg,
No School Richmond,
No School Harrison

February 22nd Deputy Tim visits with the
Rangers Pre-K

February 23rd Hearing & Vision
Screening **Starts at 9AM**

Coming Up

- February 27th - March 3rd
Dr. Seuss Week (weekly
theme sheet will be
mailed out soon)
- Tentative Mother's Day
celebration will be held on
Friday, May 12th (Weather
Depending) More info to
follow when it gets closer.
- The tentative Pre-K
Graduation will be on
Friday May 26th. Starting at
10:00am with a light
luncheon to follow. The
graduation will be
outdoors.
- Father's Day celebration
will be held outside on
Friday, June 16th (weather
depending). More info to
follow when it gets closer.



Summer is approaching

Please make sure that you have completed the summer form that was sent out and return it to the front office by March 1st. We realize some parents may have the summer off and work schedules may change. It is very important that we plan for any changes that may occur. If your child will be disenrolling, we need an ending date noted. All students that plan on returning for the school year in the fall must pay the registration fee to hold their spot and list the expected return date. If different days are needed then currently enrolled for, you may request them, but any final changes must be approved by Ms. Mary.

Thank you for your cooperation.



Nature's Scholars Closings

Monday, May 29th "Memorial Day"

Tuesday July 4th "Independence Day"

Friday, August 18th "Staff-in-Service"

Monday, September 4th "Labor Day"

Thursday, November 23rd "Thanksgiving"

Friday, November 24th "Thanksgiving Holiday"

Monday, December 25th, "Christmas Holiday"

Tuesday December 26th, "Christmas Holiday"

Monday, January 1st, "New Year's Holiday"

Tuesday, January 2nd, "New Year's Holiday"

The days listed above are the days that Nature's Scholars Enrichment Center will be closed. Full tuition payment is expected for the weeks containing these holidays or days off.

This policy applies whether your child attends full or part time. This policy is in place because we give our teachers the benefit of paid holidays and shouldn't be penalized due to celebrations or acts of nature. Please see page 11 of the Parent Handbook for further information.

Hearing & vision testing information

The McHenry County Department of Health will be coming to our center to give out hearing and vision screenings.

 If your child attends any other PreK held through a school district they will not be receiving this.

 This also will NOT qualify for a Kindergarten exam for kids that will be going into kindergarten next year.

 We will be sending home a form for you to fill out if you are interested in your child participating in the exam.

 There is no charge for this screening!

Please make sure that your child still has all their outside gear daily. Gloves may need to go home for drying daily, as they do not dry well just sitting on top of the cubbies.

Tadpoles class needs to have their outdoor gear as well.

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Parent handbook reminders

Guidance and Discipline

What are the policies regarding guidance and discipline?

The goal of guidance and discipline is to help children acquire self-control and to help them develop appropriate ways to express their feelings.

There are three basic guidelines that Nature's Scholars follows:

1. Children need to care for others.
2. Children need to care for themselves.
3. Children need to care for their surroundings and property.

There are five life skills that we encourage at Nature's Scholars:

1. Be Respectful
2. Be Responsible
3. Be Helpful
4. Be Careful
5. Be Patient

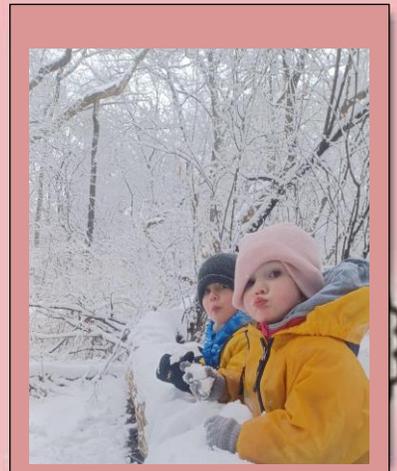
Rate increase

As stated in the Parent Handbook our rates are due to increase. We are increasing the rate in June this year, which is the beginning of the Summer Session, June 5th. With that being said, we are attaching a copy of our new rate sheet to give you time to prepare. We take pride in the fact that we are giving our families loving quality care, with creative lessons, nutritious meals, and fun activities. Our staff turnover has been minimal for this industry, and we would like to think it's because they follow our passion for giving high quality care. To pass along raises to our staff, cover rising food and supply rates as well as building and playground repairs, this small increase will help us keep up the quality we strive for. Thank you for your continued support, trusting us with your children and all your great reviews and referrals. We are thankful every day for your children and the relationships we have with the NSEC families.



Valentine's Day Party

This year we are having traditional classroom Valentine's Day party! Tuesday February 14th ALL students are allowed to attend the party even if they don't attend on that day. If they do not attend on that day normal, they can only come from 9-11AM.



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