



# *Calvary Early Learning Center*

*Preschool and Kindergarten*

*Connecting and Educating Children through the Love of Jesus Christ*

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## Our Mission & Philosophy

The mission of Calvary Early Learning Center is to share God's grace through the education and enrichment of young children. Our guiding educational philosophy is that every child is a gift from God, full of potential and ready to be nurtured in mind, body and spirit. Calvary offers a Christian learning environment for children ages 2 through 6. Our well-balanced program supports emotional, social, cognitive, physical and spiritual development. Children are allowed to develop at their own readiness with the needs of the "whole child" as the focus. Calvary Early Learning Center joins other Lutheran schools as a member of the Pittsburgh Area Lutheran School System (PALS).

## A Place for Your Child

At Calvary Early Learning Center your child will find a loving, caring environment where he or she can explore the world and prepare for the challenges ahead in their educational future. Each child will receive individual attention to help them reach their full potential. Our classrooms are fun, safe, and welcoming spaces where your child can learn and grow.

## Growing in Faith

All children, regardless of faith or church affiliation, are welcome at Calvary. We include in our classrooms beginning concepts in the Christian faith. We believe that children benefit from learning about God at an early age. From simple Bible stories children learn about God's creation and experience how God loves and cares for them each and every day.

## Healthy Bodies

There's more to a child's first experience at school than ABC's and 123's. A healthy adult body begins early in childhood with plenty of active play. Our indoor gym area, outdoor play area, and bike riding days provide great ways to keep your child moving. Children grow so fast and their bodies need lots of movement and spirited play to stay strong.

## Glue, Paint, Glitter and Other Sticky Stuff!

Children love to dive in with both hands—whether it is finger paint, glue, crayons, markers or play dough! Getting little fingers moving in new ways with diverse materials helps promote fine motor skills and reinforces mind-body connections in the developing brain. Art also helps small children learn to express and understand their feelings. We encourage this kind of play and make sure that your child has hands-on activities to keep their creative juices flowing!

## Registration

To register, complete the enclosed Application form. Registrations will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Class size is limited so early registration is important. A registration fee of \$75 is due upon registration. The registration fee is required to reserve a child's place in that class. CELC will purchase materials, so the registration fee is non-refundable.

## Our Staff

The staff at Calvary is highly-qualified and experienced at teaching and guiding the twos, preschool, and kindergarten age children. Our teachers and aides pride themselves on giving our children the skills and encouragement needed for a healthy start to a lifetime of learning and accomplishment.

## Questions?

**We welcome your questions about Calvary Early Learning Center. Feel free to contact the administrator at (724) 327-2898 or through e-mail at [director@calvarylcms.org](mailto:director@calvarylcms.org) to set up a time to tour the school and speak with our teachers.**

# Program Options

Calvary Early Learning Center has small class sizes that will enhance your child's early learning experience. The Twos, Preschool, and Kindergarten classes are limited to 10 children with a teacher and a teacher's aide. The curriculum for each age group is Bible-based, literature rich, and developed through weekly themes.

For Tuition Rates, please see accompanying sheet or call 724-327-2898

## The Two Year-Old Class

Tuesday and Thursday 9:00 am - 11:00 am

No Commitment

The Twos class is a pay as you go program for children who are two years old by September 1st. You may purchase a 4-pack coupon book to be used on days you wish your child to attend or purchase one coupon for that day. The Coupon is good for any class through the end of the school year. Each day is themed with a craft project. Your child will learn basic colors, shapes, the art of sharing and socialization, and a short Bible story. Parents are welcome to stay for the first month of school. Please call 724-327-2898 for more information.

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## The Three Year-Old Class

Tuesday and Thursday 9:00 am - 11:30 am

Registration \$75

This class is for 3 year olds with or without previous preschool experience. Your child must turn three and be potty-trained by September 1<sup>st</sup> to enroll or must be interviewed by the teacher. The children will be introduced to school routine and activities, learn to share and interact positively with peers, develop motor skills and eye-hand coordination, learn letter recognition, foster creativity, and experience beginning concepts in the Christian faith. Your child can look forward to field trips, guest speakers, music enrichment, indoor/outdoor play, bicycles, and cooking.

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## The Four Year-Old Class

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00 am - 11:30 am

Registration \$75

This class is for children age 4 years by September 1<sup>st</sup> or must be interviewed by the teacher. The children will focus on beginning language, pre-reading, math, writing, early phonics, and introduction to computers. Each child will engage in social interaction and learn cooperation, take part in small group activities, have one-on-one time with the teacher, learn to foster creativity, and experience beginning concepts in the Christian faith. Your child can look forward to field trips, guest speakers, music enrichment, indoor/outdoor play, bicycles, and cooking.

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## Pre-K (Kindergarten Readiness Class)

Monday through Thursday 12:30 pm - 3:00 pm

Registration \$75

This class is for children that are not quite kindergarten ready and those with summer/early fall birthdays that may have missed the kindergarten cut-off date with their district. This class will help your child enhance his or her learning with the use of school materials and with the study of the world around them. The children will focus on language development, pre-reading, math and science development, and writing. Each child will engage in social interaction and learn cooperation, take part in small group activities, have one-on-one time with the teacher, learn to foster creativity, and experience beginning concepts in the Christian faith. Your child can look forward to field trips, guest speakers, music enrichment, Spanish class, indoor/outdoor play, bicycles, and cooking. This class gives the child another year to grow socially and sharpen skills before entering a Kindergarten program.

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## Kindergarten Class

Monday through Friday 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Registration \$75

This class is for children who are 5 years old by September 1<sup>st</sup>. The children will experience an in-depth use of school materials and study the world around them while following a State approved Kindergarten curriculum. They will strongly focus on language, reading, phonics, math, writing, social studies, and science experiences. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt textbooks are used for each of the core classes. Each child will engage in social interaction and learn cooperation, take part in small group activities, have one-on-one time with the teacher, learn to foster creativity, and experience early concepts in the Christian faith. Your child can look forward to field trips, guest speakers, music enrichment, Spanish class, indoor/outdoor play, bicycles, and cooking. Busing is available from your home school district one-way if you reside within a 10 mile radius. An immunization record provided by your family physician and a dental exam by your family dentist is required prior to the start of the kindergarten program.