

# Little Farmers Academy – Frequently Asked Questions

## **1 – When can my child start?**

We are working hard to ensure staffing is in place to accommodate the new enrollments. Please be sure to include your preferred enrollment date on your application. You may also contact the center to discuss enrollment options. Our goal is to get everyone start as close to their preferred enrollment date as possible.

## **2 – How much is tuition?**

Please check out one of our tuition flyers for specific cost.

Business partner rates are available for employees of participating agencies. Please contact the center to request a business rate tuition schedule.

## **3 - Do Genesis employees get a discount?**

Genesis oversees determining discount eligibility for employees. All tuition for Genesis Employees will be paid through payroll deduction. The center will bill Genesis directly for the full tuition amount.

## **4 – Are meals provided?**

At this time families are asked to provide meals and snacks for their children. We do keep a variety of items on hand at the center in case a child needs an extra snack or a family forgets to pack. We are working on securing a meal program option. Our goal is to have this in place by Fall.

## **5 – What are your hours?**

Currently we are open from 6:30 am – 5:30 pm. Effective May 26, 2026, we will be extending our hours from 6:00 am to 6:00 pm.

## **6 – How do staff communicate with parents throughout the day?**

We use a communication system called Brightwheel. Parents can download an app for their phones. It includes a messaging feature as well as an area for daily reports. Parents are kept up to date about their child’s day in real time. This includes meals, naps, and diaper changes. Additionally, parents can send messages that can be read by all staff or message admin directly. Tuition can also be paid via the app for non-Genesis parents.

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## 7- What are the adult to child ratios?

We will always maintain the state required ratios. Our goal is to keep ratios lower than the state maximum whenever possible, especially in the infant classrooms.

AgeGroup	Staff Member/Child Ratio	Maximum Group Size
Birth to less than 12 months	1:5 or 2:12 if two preschool staff members are in the room	12
12 months to less than 18 months	1:6	12
18 months to less than 30 months	1:7	14
30 months to less than 3 years	1:8	16
3 years	1:12	24
4 year olds and 5 year olds not in kindergarten or school	1:14	28
5 – 11 years	1:18	36
11 – 15 years	1:20	40

## 8 – What curriculum is used?

We have FrogStreet curriculum purchased. Frog Street is a research-based early childhood curriculum designed for infants through Pre-K children. It uses hands-on activities, songs, stories, movement, and play to help children build skills in language, literacy, math, science, social-emotional development, and problem-solving. The program emphasizes school readiness while also supporting creativity, confidence, and positive behavior

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through daily routines and interactive learning. Frog Street also includes family engagement activities so parents can continue learning at home.

Staff trainings will occur over the summer months. Curriculum implementation will begin at the start of the school year in the Fall.

In the meantime, developmentally appropriate activities will be planned and implemented in all classrooms.

Additionally, for our school age students – we will be working with the Junior Achievement program to obtain their JA My Journal workbooks.

JA My Journey is designed for independent learning and is flexible to accommodate varying delivery methods to meet different students and settings. Students can work independently with minimal assistance to foster self-reliance and personal exploration or can be led by a facilitator for deeper instruction and discussion. Students have multiple opportunities to color in the outlined images in the activity pages