

St. Matthias Preschool

A Quality Early Education Program

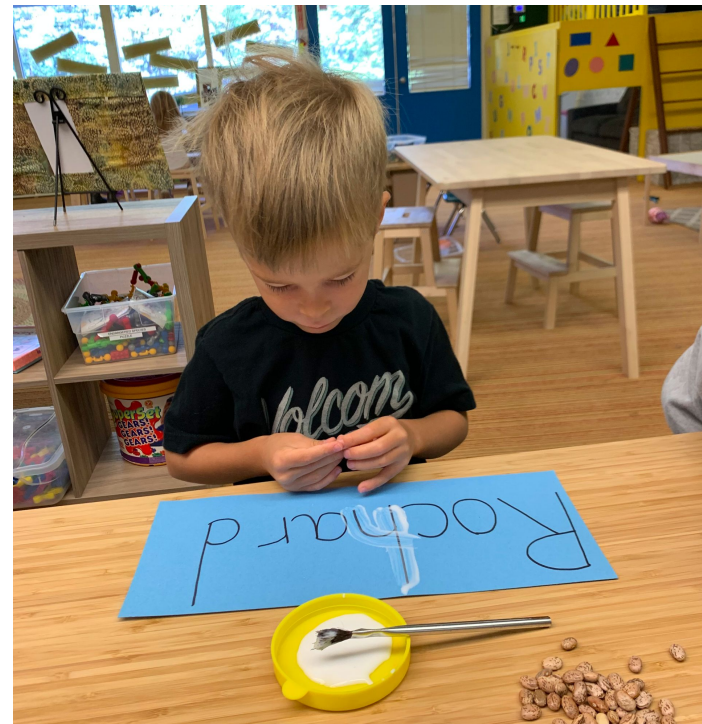


A young child with dark hair, wearing a bright yellow shirt, is seen from the back, holding a clipboard and pen. They are standing on a gravel path in a lush, wooded area. To the left is a large palm tree with many fronds, and to the right is a dense green hedge. Sunlight filters through the trees, creating dappled shadows on the path. A large white circle with a thin black border is centered over the image, containing text.

St. Matthias Preschool...

is the ***largest*** preschool
campus in the area in a
beautiful woodsy setting!

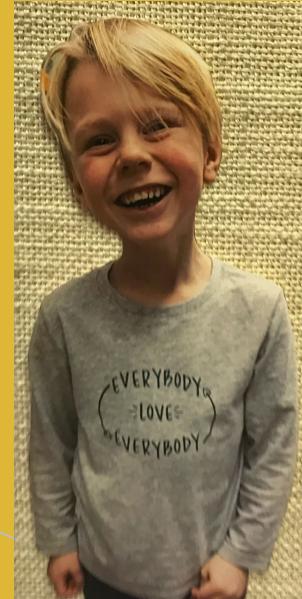
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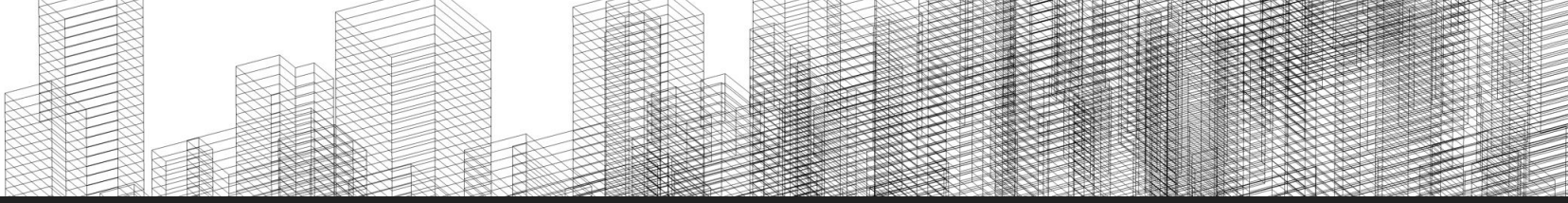


provides spacious and light filled classrooms.

St. Matthias Preschool's mission during COVID-19 is...

to deliver safe, high quality and in-person early education to children ages 3-5 years old while adhering to COVID-19 mandates.





Upon children's arrival to preschool, teachers:

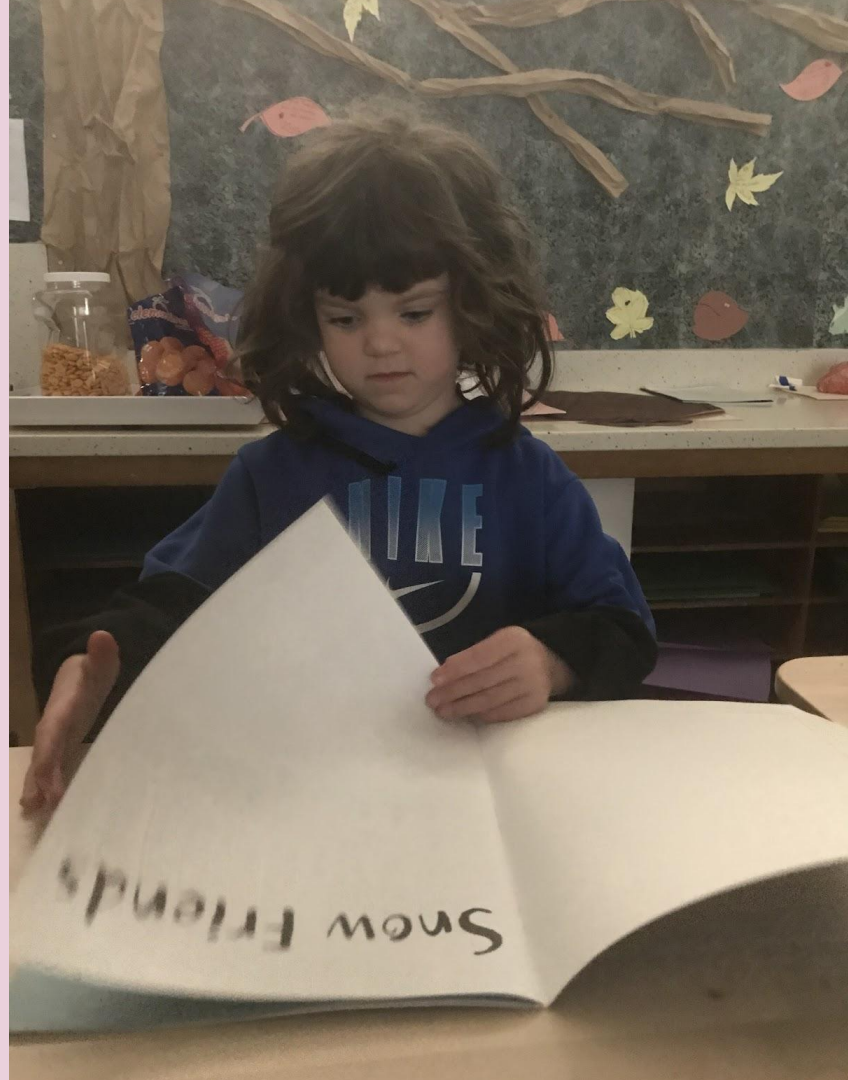
- Ask parents if their child has had fever within the past 24 hours.
- Conduct a visual check of the child to assure he/she does not appear to exhibit ill symptoms.
- Take the child's temperature with a no touch thermometer.
- If a temperature of 100.4°F/38°C or higher is detected from staff and/or children, they will immediately be excluded from the facility.

Who may enter classrooms?

Families are discouraged from entering the classrooms in an attempt to limit its occupancy to solely children and their teachers.

Our Professional Staff...

design intentional, individualized and age appropriate curriculum which fosters optimal learning and is based on the developmental needs and interests of children to help maximize their academic and social-emotional potential necessary for kindergarten readiness.



Curriculum Enhancement Activities

Spanish instruction is delivered weekly to children.

Music and **dance** will occur, via distance, by a certified music instructor.

Goal: St. Matthias Preschool is seeking to arrange to provide storytime, via distance with a Redwood City Librarian.




Age Appropriate Faith Formation

Through age appropriate faith formation, we foster prayer and teach about the important values in life related to caring, kindness, patience, respect, gratitude and forgiveness while learning the love of God.

California Department Of Social Services

St. Matthias Preschool was tele-inspected and interviewed by the CA Department of Social Services, Community Care Licensing (CCL).

Additional large outdoor play areas were approved by CCL to allow for extended outdoor curriculum learning and play, supporting children's social distancing while enjoying the fresh air.

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Three Large Play Areas



In addition to a our large and beautiful preschool playground equipped with climbing structures, etc., children also enjoy two large additional outdoor play areas, each **over 8,000 square feet!**

For children's learning enjoyment, our additional large outdoor play areas are equipped with:



Drinking water and cups

Canopies for shade

Balls

Obstacle courses

Music and movement

Language and Literacy (books, writing, coloring, etc.)

Jump ropes

Relay races

Hula hoops

Preschool garden maintenance

And much more!!!

Teachers will have first aid kits, latex gloves, accident reports and pens.

Additional Restrooms For Children's Use

Two additional large restrooms in the Fr. Lacey Hall, each with three toilet stalls and sinks, are available to children to better support social distancing.

Preschool staff utilize walkie talkies to...



ensure more effective
communication between preschool
staff and to better enforce additional
safety measures to support social
distancing and the health and safety
of children, staff and families.



Group Sizes & Learning Pods (Mini Apartments)

Small gatherings of 8 children are grouped closely by age to every one qualified and seasoned early educator.

Group Sizes & Learning PODs Cont.



Learning pods are created personal spaces (mini apartments) for children where they have all the curriculum supplies they need while encouraging conversations with peers as they social distance.



Classroom children and teachers do not
share rooms, nor mix or commingle.
Outside play areas and bathrooms will be used separately.

St. Matthias Preschool Becomes A Shoeless Environment

Shoeless environments help to prevent toxins from teachers and children's shoes from being carried into the classrooms.

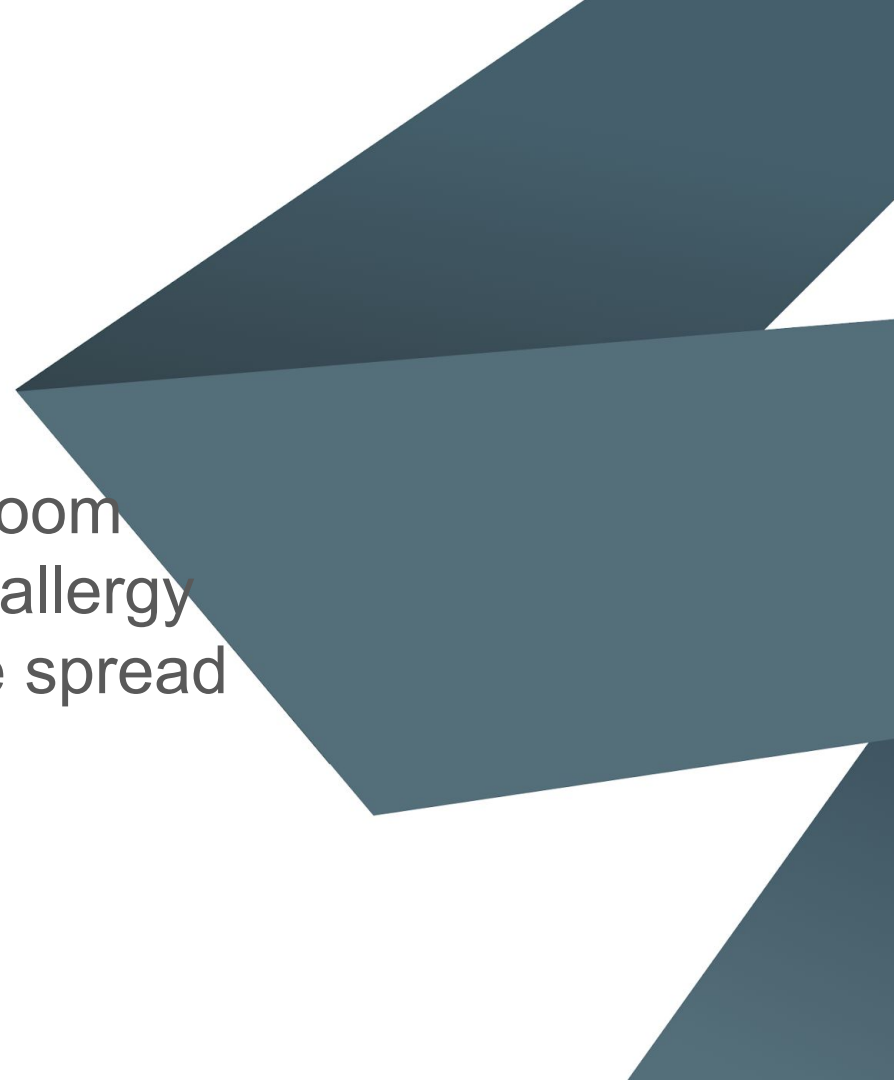


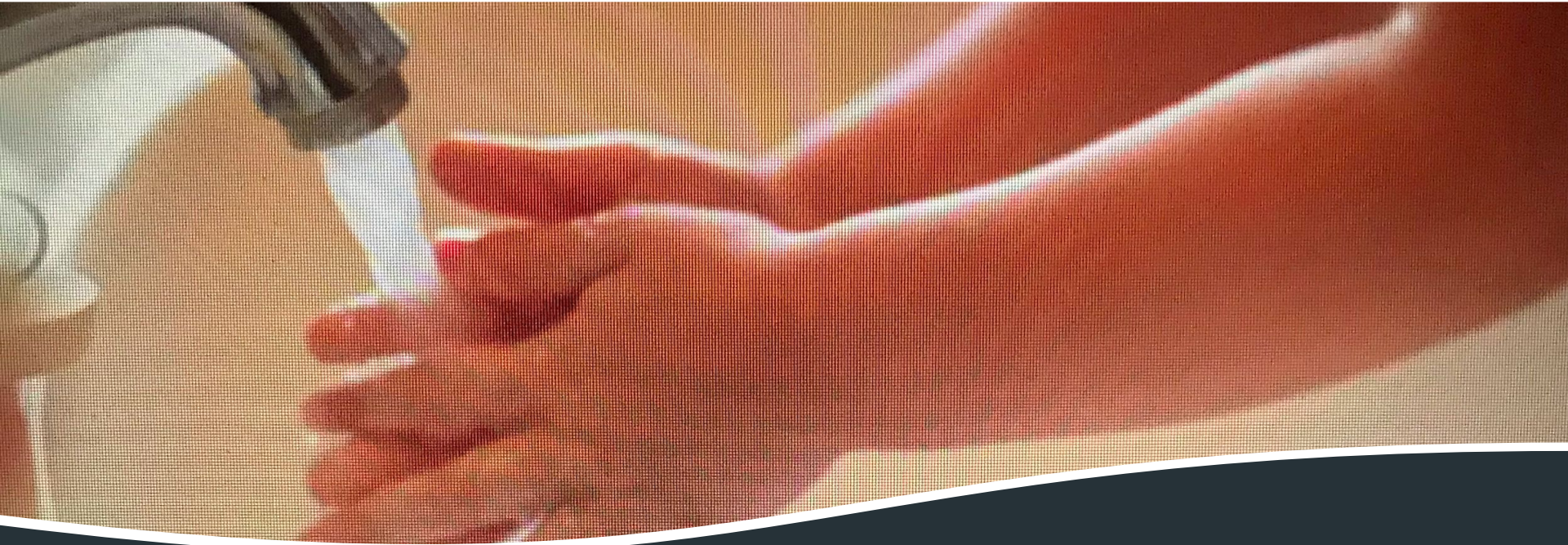
Classroom Ventilation

Classroom windows remain open during program operations to let out germs and toxins.

Classroom Purifiers

Air purifiers are in each classroom to filter out bacteria and remove allergy and asthma triggers to reduce the spread of colds, flu and viruses.

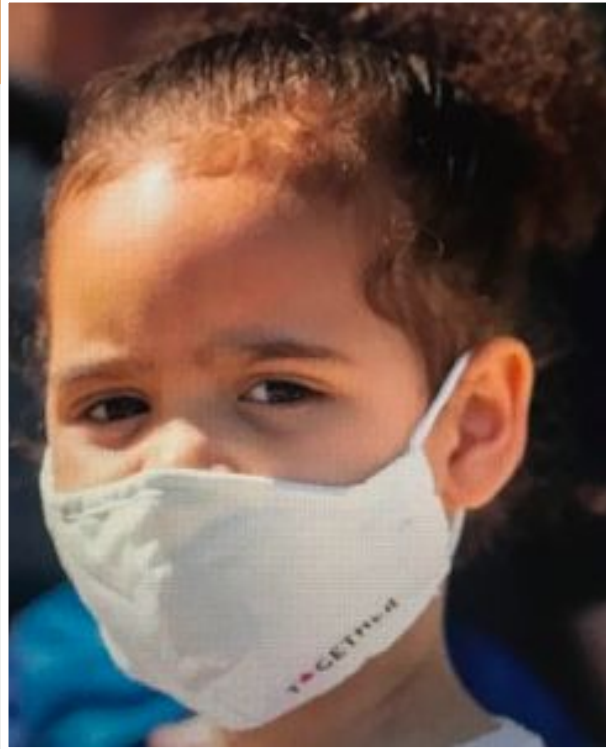




Healthy Hygiene Practices

Staff each model and reinforce healthy habits and require children to consistently exercise key times to wash hands: upon arrival to school, before eating food, after using the bathroom, after blowing your nose, coughing or sneezing, when returning to the classroom from preschool outdoor play areas, etc. If soap and water are not readily available, we use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.

Masks



Staff and children wear masks during preschool program operating hours.

Through a curriculum approach, staff demonstrate and role model to children how to properly wear masks. Children learn about various healthy measures to help eliminate the spread of germs.

St. Matthias Preschool COVID-19 Readiness Plan

Please click on the following link to access the plan:

[St. Matthias Preschool Readiness Plan](#)

NOW ENROLLING

St. Matthias Preschool

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5 Day/Week Program

8:30 AM to 5:30 PM

\$500 Registration Fee

\$1800/month (first month's tuition fee is non-refundable)

For enrollment questions, please contact Rosemary at:

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