

KidKare



REGISTRATION 2026-27



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Welcome

KidKare is making meaningful changes to our programming to better support our families. These updates reflect our commitment to listening, growing, and responding to the needs of our community. We invite families, current and new, to carefully review the information in this brochure so you feel informed and confident as we move forward together. Please be sure to review all details in advance of registration, which opens on February 25, so you are fully prepared when the time comes.

Registration Dates
Summer
February 25, 9am-March 13, 4pm
School Year
February 25, 9am-March 27, 4pm

Scan the QR Code to view our registration how to guide.



Enrollment

The following requirements must be met before enrolling your child:

- Children must be between the ages of 3 and 12.
- Children must be fully and independently potty trained (please refer to the bathrooming section in our family handbook).
- Online registration must be submitted and approved.
- The registration fee must be paid and your account balance must be up to date.

Registration

All families, including current KidKare families, must register each summer and school year season, each year. Families will register using their Eleyo account. Register for an account by visiting bhmschools.ce.eleyo.com. Families will pay an annual non-refundable \$50 fee at the time of registration. Enrollment will be delayed if there are outstanding balances with KidKare and/or other Community Education programs. All outstanding balances must be paid in full before your registration is approved.

Registrations will be approved until the program site has reached staff to student ratio and/or group maximum capacity. **Priority is given** as follows: families currently enrolled in KidKare, number of scheduled days, and grade level. You will receive a confirmation email when your registration has been approved. Please allow a minimum of 3-5 business days for processing after the registration period has closed.

Daily Rates



KinderKids Rates (Age 3-5)

Schedule Options	Details	Full Day	Before School 5 day Bison PreK	Wrap Around School 2-4 day Bison PreK	After School 5 day Bison PreK
Consistent - Full Time	5 days a week	\$39.50/day	\$7.75/day	\$31.50/day	\$14.50/day
Consistent - Part Time	1-4 days a week	\$40.50/day	\$8.75/day	\$32.50/day	\$15.50/day
Pick Your Days	Custom days, at least 1 day/week	\$41.50/day	\$9.75/day	\$33.50/day	\$16.50/day
Drop In Days	Days outside of your schedule	\$44.50/day	\$12.75/day	\$36.50/day	\$19.50/day

Non-School Days: \$39.50/day

School-Age Rates (Grade K-6)

Schedule Options	Details	Before School	After School
Consistent - Full Time	5 days a week	\$7.75/day	\$14.50/day
Consistent - Part Time	1-4 days a week	\$8.75/day	\$15.50/day
Pick Your Days	Custom days, at least 1 day/week	\$9.75/day	\$16.50/day
Drop In Days	Days outside of your schedule	\$12.75/day	\$19.50/day

Early Release Days: \$27.50/day Non-School Days: \$39.50/day

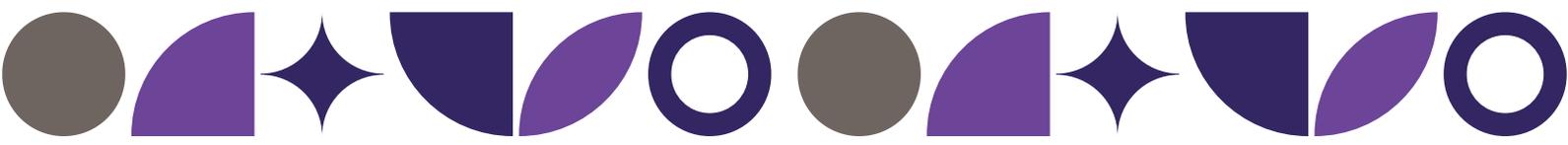
Summer Rates (Age 3-12)

Schedule Options	Details	Full Day	Half Day
Consistent - Full Time	5 days a week	\$40.50/day	\$28.50/day
Consistent - Part Time	1-4 days a week	\$41.50/day	\$29.50/day
Pick Your Days	Custom days, at least 1 day/wk	\$42.50/day	\$30.50/day
Drop In Days	Days outside of your schedule	\$45.50/day	\$33.50/day



Summer field trip to the Minnesota Zoo.





Program Options

KinderKids (Age 3-5)

- Theme-based activities that support social-emotional development, academic readiness, learning through play and more.
- Offering full day care, before and/or after school care for 5 full day Bison Preschool students, and wrap around care for 2-4 day Bison Preschool Students.
- See the flip side of this brochure for information on Bison Preschool.

School-Age (Grade K-6)

- Offering care before school, after school, and on early release days.
- Activities including arts and crafts, outdoor play, gym games, and more.
- A structured, supportive environment where children can explore, create, and build friendships.

Non-School Days (Age 3-12)

- We are open most non-school days and provide full-day care for enrolled children.
- Engaging activities to keep kids entertained, learning, and active throughout the day.
- Includes field trips, special events, or unique projects to enhance the experience.

Summer (Age 3-12)

- Offering full-day and half-day care options.
- Weekly themes that include a variety of fun and educational activities to keep kids learning and active throughout the summer.
- Includes field trips and creative projects designed to make each week memorable.

Schedule Options

Consistent Schedule: Choose this option if you need care on the same days of the week each month. 5 days a week is required for Full Time Rates. 1-4 days per week are required to receive Part Time Rates.

Pick Your Days Schedule: Choose this option if your care needs vary each week and will not always be on the same day each week. 1 day per week is required. Care needs are to be submitted by the Monday prior to the week of care.



Learning and playing together.

Care Options

Once you have chosen your desired schedule option, you will then choose when you need care.

School Year Options

Before School: Choose this calendar option if you need care before Elementary School or full day five days a week Bison Preschool from 6-7:45 am.

After School: Choose this calendar option if you need care after Elementary School or full day 5 days a week Bison Preschool from 2:25-6 pm.

KinderKids Additional Options

Full Day: Choose this calendar option on days your child does not have Bison Preschool or if you are a full time family not attending Bison Preschool from 6 am-6 pm.

Wrap Around: Choose this calendar option on days your child has part time Bison Preschool and you need care outside class time hours between 6 am-6 pm.

Summer Options

Full Day: Choose this calendar option if you need care for the majority of the day between 6 am-6 pm.

Half Day: Choose this calendar option if you only need care for the AM (6 am-12 pm) or PM (12-6 pm) hours of the day.

KidKare Calendar 2026-27



KidKare is open Monday-Friday, 6 am-6 pm, all Elementary School calendar days, most non-school days and in the summer.

- Staggered Start Day - OPEN
- Non-School Day - OPEN
- Early Release Day - OPEN
- Staff Training/Set Up Day - CLOSED
- Holiday - CLOSED

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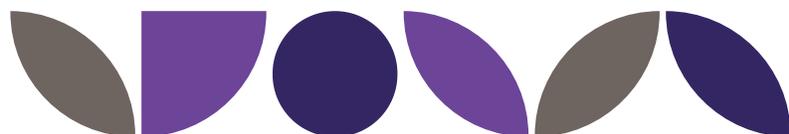
Outdoor fun on the playground.



Find more detailed information in our Family Handbook.

Contact Information

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- bhmschools.org/kidkare
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Early Childhood Family Education

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Bison Preschool 2026-27



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REGISTRATION OPENS

February 25 at 9:00 am





Welcome to the Bison Community

Welcome

We are excited to have you join our preschool community. Bison Preschool offers educational programs intentionally designed for our youngest learners ages 2.5 to Kindergarten entrance. Bison Preschool students have opportunities to learn through play, build friendships with peers, engage in music and movement, outdoor play, early academic activities, art, snack, and collaborative large and small group routines.

Our preschool classrooms are taught by licensed Early Education teachers. Children are supported by teaching teams that include general education and special education professionals. We are an inclusive preschool welcoming all children. Bison Preschool uses research based tools designed specially for early childhood students, including, The Creative Curriculum which guides our learning, Teaching Strategies Gold, an authentic observation based assessment to measure a child's progress, and the Pyramid Model, a program wide initiative to build a child's social-emotional well-being and development.

Interested in a Tour?
Scan the QR code to schedule your tour today!



Registration Opens

Wednesday, February 25 at 9 am

A \$50 non-refundable registration fee reserves a place for your child in the preschool class of your choice.

4 Ways to Register for Preschool

1. Online at bhmschools.ce.eleyo.com
2. In Person at ECFE-Community Education Office:
301 2nd Ave NE, Buffalo (Door 1)
3. By Phone: 763.682.8780
4. Scan the QR code



Payment Information

9 monthly payments due September 2026 - May 2027.

- 1 day per week: \$50 per month
- 2 days per week: \$130 per month
- 3 days per week: \$150 per month
- 4 days per week: \$250 per month
- 5 days per week: \$785 per month

Tuition Assistance

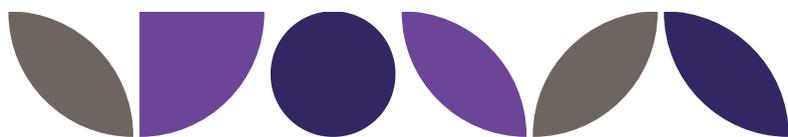
No family will be turned away due to inability to pay. Contact Jen Greenhagen, Early Childhood Coordinator, at jgreenhagen@bhmschools.org or call 763.682.8753 to inquire.

Every Family Counts

Being on the census ensures that you will receive ECFE mailings, be notified of Early Childhood Screenings and receive kindergarten information when your child become eligible to attend.

Call 763.682.8737 if you:

- Recently had a baby or adopted a child
- Moved to this district and/or changed your address
- Did not receive this catalog in the mail





Little Bison Preschool

2.5 years old by September 1, 2026

Little Bison Preschool is a preschool program designed for our youngest learners. This class offers opportunities that support a child's early learning in a smaller group setting. Little Bison Preschool classes focus on your child's early social-emotional skill development and well-being including turn-taking, sharing, trading, playing with peers, and building experiences with preschool routines.

A gentle separating class where parents are encouraged to attend with their child for the first session. In addition, there will be opportunities for parent conversation with other parents led by a licensed parent educator one time per month. Parent education topics may include: creating positive routines at home, building a child's self-regulation skills, learning strategies for adults to stay calm, how and why to use visual schedules, and more.

Little Bison Preschool offerings include: Explore Nature (Montrose Early Education Center), STEAM (Hanover Elementary) and Little Bison Ready for More (Discovery Elementary).



Friendships begin in Bison Preschool.

Bison Preschool

3 years old by September 1, 2026

Bison Preschool is an important part of building the skills your child will use as they move toward Kindergarten age. It is an exciting time for children to grow through learning with friends. During our Bison Preschool classes, children will experience large and small group activities that focus on language development, building social skills, pretend play, early academics including: early literacy, math, and writing skills. There are also opportunities for art, science and outdoor play activities. Our Bison Preschool classes are taught by licensed Early Childhood Teachers in partnership with Early Childhood Special Education Teachers and are created for all children.

Bison Preschool offerings include Two, Four and Five Day-all day Option.

Please Note: Parents are responsible for transportation to and from preschool.

Unique Offerings

Bison Preschool -Explore Nature

This unique Bison Preschool offering at Hanover Elementary and Montrose Early Education Center provides children with all of the opportunities of a traditional preschool program with a nature inspired focus. Children have access to indoor and outdoor learning opportunities.

Bison Preschool-Full Day

4 years old by September 1, 2026

This Bison Preschool offering is designed for 4 and 5 year old children the year before Kindergarten. This offering will focus on building friendships, early academic skills, and routines similar to Kindergarten, including eating breakfast and lunch at school. In addition, students will also have a quiet rest time as part of their school day.

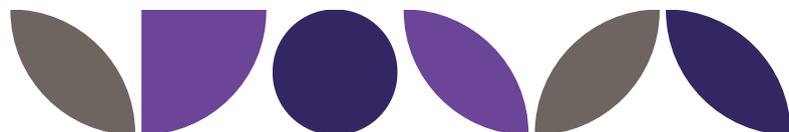


A 4-Star Quality Rating is given to early education providers that focus on high quality early learning and kindergarten readiness. Minnesota's 1 to 4 Star Rating System measures best practices identified by research that help children succeed. Scholarships may be awarded to qualifying families whose children attend MN Parent Aware Star-Rated programs. To apply for a preschool voucher, contact your ECFE Office at 763.682.8753 or Milestones at 800.288.8549.



Bison Preschool Schedule

Location	Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Discovery Elementary Room EC1	7:45AM-9:15AM		Little Bison Ready for More 2 Day (T, Th) Ages 2.5-3.5 years Class 4209A		Little Bison Ready for More 2 Day (T, Th) Ages 2.5-3.5 years Class 4209A	
Discovery Elementary Room EC2	7:45AM-10:15AM	Bison Preschool 2 Day (M, W) Ages 3-4 years Class 4204B	Bison Preschool 2 Day (T, Th) Ages 3-4 years Class 4204C	Bison Preschool 2 Day (M, W) Ages 3-4 years Class 4204B	Bison Preschool 2 Day (T, Th) Ages 3-4 years Class 4204C	
Parkside Elementary Room 303	7:45AM-10:45AM	Bison Preschool 4 Day (M-Th) Ages 4-5 years Class 4205A	Bison Preschool 4 Day (M-Th) Ages 4-5 years Class 4205A	Bison Preschool 4 Day (M-Th) Ages 4-5 years Class 4205A	Bison Preschool 4 Day (M-Th) Ages 4-5 years Class 4205A	
	11:45AM-2:25PM	Bison Preschool 3 Day (M-W) Ages 3-5 years Class 4211B	Bison Preschool 3 Day (M-W) Ages 3-5 years Class 4211B	Bison Preschool 3 Day (M-W) Ages 3-5 years Class 4211B		
Parkside Elementary Room 307	7:45 AM-2:25 PM	Bison Preschool All Day 5 Full day (M-F) Ages 4-5 years Class 4211C	Bison Preschool All Day 5 Full day (M-F) Ages 4-5 years Class 4211C	Bison Preschool All Day 5 Full day (M-F) Ages 4-5 years Class 4211C	Bison Preschool All Day 5 Full day (M-F) Ages 4-5 years Class 4211C	Bison Preschool All Day 5 Full day (M-F) Ages 4-5 years Class 4211C
Tatanka Elementary Room 116	7:45 AM-2:25 PM	Bison Preschool All Day 5 Full day (M-F) Ages 4-5 years Class 4212A	Bison Preschool All Day 5 Full day (M-F) Ages 4-5 years Class 4212A	Bison Preschool All Day 5 Full day (M-F) Ages 4-5 years Class 4212A	Bison Preschool All Day 5 Full day (M-F) Ages 4-5 years Class 4212A	Bison Preschool All Day 5 Full day (M-F) Ages 4-5 years Class 4212A
Hanover Elementary Room 200	7:45AM-9:15AM			Little Bison STEAM 1 Day (W) Ages 2.5-3.5 years Class 4213A		
Hanover Elementary ECFE Room	7:45AM-10:15AM	Bison Preschool 2 Day (M, W) Ages 3-4 years Class 4213B	Bison Preschool 2 Day (T, Th) Ages 3-4 years Class 4213C	Bison Preschool 2 Day (M, W) Ages 3-4 years Class 4213B	Bison Preschool 2 Day (T, Th) Ages 3-4 years Class 4213C	
	11:25AM-2:25PM	Bison Preschool Explore Nature 4 Day (M-Th) Ages 4-5 years Class 4213D	Bison Preschool Explore Nature 4 Day (M-Th) Ages 4-5 years Class 4213D	Bison Preschool Explore Nature 4 Day (M-Th) Ages 4-5 years Class 4213D	Bison Preschool Explore Nature 4 Day (M-Th) Ages 4-5 years Class 4213D	
Montrose Early Education Center ECFE Room	7:45AM-9:15AM	Little Bison Explore Nature 1 Day (M) Ages 2.5-3.5 years Class 4214A				
	7:45AM-10:15AM		Bison Preschool 2 Day (T, Th) Ages 3-4 years Class 4214B		Bison Preschool 2 Day (T, Th) Ages 3-4 years Class 4214B	
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Preschool Options in Buffalo



Sensory play at Hanover Bison Preschool.

Parkside Elementary

207 3rd St NE, Buffalo

Bison Preschool (4 Day)	4205A
Ages 4-5 years	
Monday - Thursday	7:45-10:45 am
Room 303	TBD
Bison Preschool (3 Day)	4211B
Ages 3-5 years	
Monday-Wednesday	11:45am-2:25 pm
Room 303	TBD
Bison Preschool Full Day (5 Day)	4211C
Ages 4-5 years	
Monday - Friday	7:45 am-2:25 pm
Room 307	Emily Pearson

Discovery Center

301 2nd Ave NE, Buffalo

Little Bison Ready for More	4209A
Ages 2.5-3.5 years	
Tuesday and Thursday	7:45-9:15 am
Room EC1	Nicole Tuchscherer
Bison Preschool (2 Day)	4204B
Ages 3-4 years	
Monday and Wednesday	7:45-10:15 am
Room EC2	Jen Robeck
Bison Preschool (2 Day)	4204C
Ages 3-4 years	
Tuesday and Thursday	7:45-10:15 am
Room EC2	Jen Robeck



Growing up Bison.

Tatanka Elementary

703 8th St NE, Buffalo

Bison Preschool Full Day (5 Day)	4212A
Ages 4-5 years	
Monday - Friday	7:45 am-2:25 pm
Room 106	TBD

Parents, We Need You!

Join our Early Childhood Family Education Advisory Council. Parents of young children are invited to provide programming input and to participate in special events and fundraising. This is a great way to meet other area families and get involved in the BHM School District. The meetings take place in person and virtually. Members receive a 10% discount on ECFE tuition/fees. For more information contact Jen Greenhagen, jgreenhagen@bhmschools.org, 763.682.8753.





Preschool Options in Hanover & Montrose

Hanover Elementary 274 LaBeaux Ave NE, Hanover

- Little Bison STEAM (1 Day)** 4213A
Ages 2.5-3.5 years
Wednesday 7:45 - 9:15 am
Room 200 Stephanie Adelman
- Bison Preschool (2 Day)** 4213B
Ages 3-4 years
Monday & Wednesday 7:45-10:15 am
ECFE Room Stephanie Halverson
- Bison Preschool (2 Day)** 4213C
Ages 3-4 years
Tuesday & Thursday 7:45-10:15 am
ECFE Room Stephanie Halverson
- Bison Preschool Explore Nature (4 Day)** 4213D
Ages 4-5 years
Monday - Thursday 11:25 am - 2:25 pm
ECFE Room Stephanie Halverson

Montrose Early Education Center 115 2nd St S, Montrose

- Little Bison Explore Nature (1 Day)** 4214A
Ages 2.5-3.5 years
Monday 7:45-9:15 am
ECFE Room Stephanie Adelman
- Bison Preschool (2 Day)** 4214B
Ages 4-5 years
Tuesday & Thursday 7:45-10:15 am
ECFE Room Stephanie Adelman
- Bison Preschool (4 Day)** 4214C
Ages 4-5 years
Monday - Thursday 11:25 am-2:25 pm
ECFE Room Stephanie Adelman



Apple painting at Discovery Little Bison Preschool.

Early Childhood Screening Is your child between the ages of 3-5 years old?

Early Childhood Screening is a free and simple check of how your child is growing, developing, and learning. Screening is tailored for your child's age, there is no pass or fail.

During this free screening appointment a trained professional will check:

- Cognitive Development
- Social and Emotional Development
- Large and Small Muscle Development
- Language and Communication Skills
- Immunizations Review
- Vision and Hearing
- Height and Weight

SCAN ME!



Register Online Today!





Bison Preschool Calendar

BHM SCHOOLS - BISON PRESCHOOL CALENDAR 2026-2027



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Color Codes:

- First & Last Day of Preschool/ECFE
- Teacher Workshop - No School
- Preschool Conferences - No School
- Holiday - No School
- Early Release - No School

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IMPORTANT DATES:

- Sept 8** First Day of School
- Oct 2** Early Release - No School
- Oct 14** Teacher Workshop - No School
- Oct 15-16** Fall Break - No School
- Oct 26** Teacher Workshop - No School
- Nov 6** Teacher Workshop - No School
- Nov 13** Early Release - No School
- Nov 23 & 24** Preschool Conferences - No School
- Nov 25-27** Thanksgiving Break - No School
- Dec 4** Early Release - No School
- Dec 24-Jan 1** Winter Break - No School
- Jan 8** Early Release - No School
- Jan 18** MLK Jr Day - No School
- Feb 5** Early Release - No School
- Feb 15** President's Day - No School
- Feb 26** Teacher Workshop - No School
- March 8-12** Spring Break - No School
- March 19** Early Release - No School
- March 31** Preschool Conferences - No School
- April 1** Preschool Conferences - No School
- April 2** Teacher Workshop - No School
- April 9** Early Release - No School
- May 7** Early Release - No School
- May 18** Last Day of Early Childhood Classes

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Nature Exploration at Montrose Bison Preschool.

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