



# Early Childhood Family Education

BUFFALO HANOVER MONTROSE SCHOOLS

## Preschool 2023-2024



Registration opens February 28 at 8 am



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# Every Family Counts

## Welcome to the Bison Family!

We invite you to participate in one of our preschool options, designed for children ages 2.5 years to Kindergarten entrance. Our programs use Creative Curriculum to support the unfolding of your child's development in all domains. We are integrated with Early Childhood Special Education, welcoming children of all abilities into our classrooms. Our daily schedule includes academic activities, music, large motor games and STEM activities. We also provide a literacy rich environment, cooperative and small group experiences and snack time.

*One of our preschool options including half-day, full-day or Nature-Based will be a perfect fit for you and your child!*



*We are looking forward to you joining our Pre-K Bison family!*

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Tuition scholarships may be available. Contact Barbara Eckberg, ECFE Coordinator, at [beckberg@bhmschools.org](mailto:beckberg@bhmschools.org) or 763.682.8753.



**What does this mean?** 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.

## Introducing the Pyramid Model



### What is Pyramid Model?

The **Pyramid Model** is a framework for supporting the social and emotional development of our children. The goal of the **Pyramid Model** is to create an environment of success for each child by designing classrooms that promote engagement in learning and by building positive relationships among children, families, and staff. In our use of the **Pyramid Model**, our classroom staff work together to ensure all children understand behavior expectations, receive instruction in social skills, and those children who demonstrate a need for additional support, receive individual supports from the teaching team.

The more socially skilled children are, the more likely they are to succeed in school. Because this is so important for your child, we have implemented the **Pyramid Model** in our Ready Set Grow, KidKare and Early Childhood Special Education programs.

To learn more, contact Barbara Eckberg, ECFE Coordinator, at 763.682.8753 or Tiffany Lund, Kid Kare Coordinator, at 763.682.8787.

### Budget Tight?

All families are eligible to participate in the ECFE program. If you would like to request assistance, please contact Barbara Eckberg, ECFE Coordinator, at 763.682.8753.

# Preschool Options at a Glance



SPRING INTO PRESCHOOL at a Glance						
	Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Discovery Elementary</b> (Room EC1)	8-9:30 am				<b>1-Day</b> Ages 2.5-3.5 years Class 4034C	
<b>Discovery Elementary</b> (Room EC1)	10:30 am-12 pm			<b>1-Day</b> Ages 2.5-3.5 years Class 4034B		
<b>Montrose Early Ed Center</b> (ECFE Room)	8-9:30 am	<b>1-Day</b> Ages 2.5-3.5 years Class 4034A				

READY SET GROW PRESCHOOL at a Glance						
	Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Discovery Elementary</b> (Room EC2)	8-10:30 am	<b>2-Day (M,W)</b> Ages 3-5 years Class 4207A		<b>2-Day (M,W)</b> Ages 3-5 years Class 4207A		
	8-10:30 am		<b>2-Day (T,Th)</b> Ages 4-5 years Class 4207B		<b>2-Day (T,Th)</b> Ages 4-5 years Class 4207B	
	12-3 pm	<b>4-Day (M-Th)</b> Ages 4-5 years Class 4206A				
<b>Parkside Elementary</b> (Room 303)	8-10:30 am	<b>3-Day (M,W,F)</b> Ages 3-4 years Class 4205A	<b>2-Day (T,Th)</b> Ages 3-5 years Class 4205B	<b>3-Day (M,W,F)</b> Ages 3-4 years Class 4205A	<b>2-Day (T,Th)</b> Ages 3-5 years Class 4205B	<b>3-Day (M,W,F)</b> Ages 3-4 years Class 4205A
	12-3 pm	<b>4-Day (M-Th)</b> Ages 4-5 years Class 4206C				
<b>Parkside Elementary</b> (Room 307)	8 am-2 pm	<b>5-Full Day (M-F)</b> Ages 4-5 years Class 4208A	<b>5-Full Day (M-F)</b> Ages 4-5 years Class 4208A			
<b>Tatanka Elementary</b> (Room TBD)	8 am-2 pm	<b>5-Full Day (M-F)</b> Ages 4-5 years Class 4208B	<b>5-Full Day (M-F)</b> Ages 4-5 years Class 4208B			
<b>Hanover Elementary</b> (Room 200)	8-10:30 am	<b>2-Day (M,W)</b> Ages 3-4 years Class 4205C		<b>2-Day (M,W)</b> Ages 3-4 years Class 4205C		
<b>Hanover Elementary</b> (ECFE Room and outdoor spaces)	8-10:15 am	<b>5-Day (M-F)</b> Ages 3.5-5 years Class 4206D	<b>5-Day (M-F)</b> Ages 3.5-5 years Class 4206D			
	11:15 am-2:15 pm	<b>4-Day (M-Th) Nature-Based</b> Ages 4-5 years Class 4207C				
<b>Montrose Early Education Center</b> (ECFE Room and outdoor spaces)	8-10:30 am		<b>3-Day (T,W,Th)</b> Ages 3-5 years Class 4207D	<b>3-Day (T,W,Th)</b> Ages 3-5 years Class 4207D	<b>3-Day (T,W,Th)</b> Ages 3-5 years Class 4207D	
	12-3 pm	<b>4-Day (M-Th) Nature-Based</b> Ages 4-5 years Class 4206B				

**New Site**



# Ready Set Grow Preschool (Ages 3-5)



A \$50 non-refundable registration fee reserves a place for your child in the Ready Set Grow class of your choice. Tuition scholarships may be available.

🌟 **Online Registration opens Tuesday, February 28 at 8 am.** 🌟

A two-week notice is required, with a charge, to accommodate registration changes.



## Ready Set Grow Preschool

The amazing world of a preschooler is a time of discovery, growth, skill-building and friendships. Children participate in large and small group experiences that focus on language development, literacy, social/emotional development, math and science skills and the arts. Our preschool classes are integrated with Early Childhood Special Education, partnering to create an age appropriate experience for children of all abilities. Our teachers use Creative Curriculum, Second Step, Handwriting Without Tears and the Pyramid Model Framework

to support the growth and development of preschoolers across developmental domains. Three, four and five day preschool options are available. **Please Note:** Parents are responsible for transportation to and from preschool. Class max 20.

### Parent Involvement Choices

Parent Involvement is available for all of our preschool classes in one of the following:

- ◆ ECFE Parent/Child Class
- ◆ ECFE Home Visits
- ◆ Classroom Volunteer
- ◆ Family Learning
- ◆ Parent Only Classes
- ◆ Field Trips

## Ready Set Grow Preschool (Ages 3-5)

3 years old by September 1, 2023

**2 Day (Ages 3-5)** 4205B  
Tuesdays & Thursdays 8 - 10:30 am  
September 12 - May 23 Miranda Weber  
Buffalo, Parkside Elementary Room 303

**2 Day (Ages 3-4)** 4205C  
Mondays & Wednesdays 8 - 10:30 am  
September 11 - May 22  
Nicole Tuchscherer  
Hanover Elementary Room 200

**3 Day (Ages 3-4)** 4205A  
Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
September 11 - May 24 8 - 10:30 am  
Miranda Weber  
Buffalo, Parkside Elementary Room 303



**2 Day (Ages 3-5)** 4207A  
Mondays & Wednesdays 8 - 10:30 am  
September 11 - May 22 Jen Robeck  
Buffalo, Discovery Center Room EC2

**2 Day (Ages 4-5)** 4207B  
Tuesdays & Thursdays 8 - 10:30 am  
September 12 - May 21 Jen Robeck  
Buffalo, Discovery Center Room EC2

**3 Day (Ages 3-5)** 4207D  
Tuesdays, Wednesday, Thursday  
September 12 - May 21 8 - 10:30 am  
Dana Pearson  
Montrose Early Education Center



Check out Wrap-Around Care for preschoolers through the KidKare Program  
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### Ready Set Grow (Ages 3-5) Payment Information

**9 monthly payments** are due  
September 2023 - May 2024

2 Days/week = \$120/payment  
3 Days/week = \$150/payment

# Ready Set Grow Preschool (Ages 3.5-5)



## Ready Set Grow Preschool (Ages 3.5-5) 3.5 years old by September 1, 2023

**4 Days (Ages 4-5)** **4206A**  
 Monday-Thursday 12 - 3 pm  
 September 11 - May 23  
 Jen Robeck  
 Buffalo, Discovery Center Room EC2

**4 Days (Ages 4-5)** **4206C**  
 Monday-Thursday 12 - 3 pm  
 September 11 - May 23  
 Miranda Weber  
 Buffalo, Parkside Elementary Room 303

**5 Days (Ages 3.5-5)** **New!** **4206D**  
 Monday-Friday 8 - 10:15 am  
 September 11 - May 24  
 Annette Rabusch  
 Hanover Elementary ECFE Room



**Ready Set Grow (Ages 3.5-5) Payment Information**  
**9 monthly payments** are due September 30, 2023 – May 31, 2024  
 4 days/week = \$240/payment  
 5 days/week = \$215/payment

## Ready Set Grow Nature-Based Preschool 4 years old by September 1, 2023

**Ready Set Grow Nature Based Preschool (NBP)** is an opportunity for preschoolers to engage in nature inspired themes and explore the great outdoors. Preschoolers will have indoor and outdoor learning environments including opportunities for field trip experiences that are nature based. NBP achieves the same outcomes as our traditional preschool programs, only focused on nature. Along with Project Learning Tree, teachers will use Creative Curriculum, Social/Emotional curriculum Second Step, HandWriting Without Tears and the Pyramid Model Framework to support growth and development. **Note:** Parents are responsible for transportation to and from preschool.



## Ready Set Grow Full Day Preschool 4 years old by September 1, 2023

Ready Set Grow **Full Day Preschool** is designed for 4 and 5 year old children the year before Kindergarten entrance. During this special year before Kindergarten, children will focus on friendships, skill building and age appropriate academic experiences. Our teachers use Creative Curriculum, Second Step, Handwriting without Tears, and the Pyramid Model Framework to design a morning preschool experience. Children will eat school lunch, enjoy a quiet time, engage in outdoor playground activities, gym time and academic activities designed to extend the themes explored during the morning's lessons. **Note:** Parents are responsible for transportation to and from preschool.

**5 Full Days (Ages 4-5)** **4208A** **New!**  
 Monday-Friday 8 am - 2 pm  
 September 11- May 24 Emily Pearson  
 Buffalo, Parkside Elementary Room 307  
**9 monthly payments, \$775/payment, due Sept 30-May 31**

**5 Full Days (Ages 4-5)** **4208B** **New!**  
 Monday-Friday 8 am - 2 pm  
 September 11 - May 24 Teacher TBD  
 Buffalo, Tatanka Elementary Room TBD  
**9 monthly payments, \$775/payment, due Sept 30-May 31**

**4 Day (Ages 4-5)** **4207C** **New!**  
 Monday-Thursday 11:15 am - 2:15 pm  
 September 11 - May 23 Annette Rabusch  
 Hanover Elementary ECFE Room  
**9 monthly payments, \$240/payment, due Sept 30-May 31**

**4 Day (Ages 4-5)** **4206B** **New!**  
 Monday-Thursday 12 - 3 pm  
 September 11 - May 23 Dana Pearson  
 Montrose Early Ed Center ECFE Room  
**9 monthly payments, \$240/payment, due Sept 30-May 31**



**Questions? Call ECFE at 763.682.8780**



# Spring Into Preschool (Ages 2.5-3.5)

## Spring Into Preschool

2.5 years old by September 1, 2023

Spring Into Preschool is a preschool class for our youngest preschoolers. This class is designed to offer age-appropriate experiences and activities in the preschool setting with a focus on first friendships, preschool routines and opportunities to work with preschool materials.

Visitation days will be offered, in which parents attend the class for the entire session, with an opportunity to meet the teachers and explore the classroom environment. In addition, parent discussion time is scheduled one-time per month for **Spring Into Preschool** parents. Class max 9.

### 4034A

Mondays, October 2 - May 20  
8 - 9:30 am Dana Pearson  
Montrose Early Education Center ECFE Room

### 4034B

Wednesdays, October 4 - May 22  
10:30 am - 12 pm Patty Lammers  
Buffalo, Discovery Center Room EC1

### 4034C

Thursdays, October 5 - May 23  
8 - 9:30 am Patty Lammers  
Buffalo, Discovery Center Room EC1



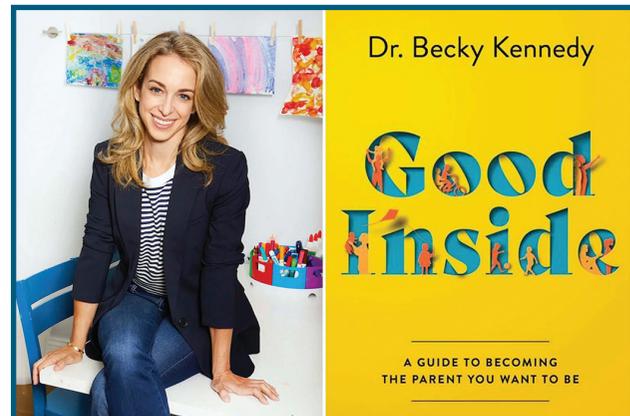
## Spring Into Preschool Payment Information

A \$50 non-refundable registration fee will reserve a place for your child in the class.

8 monthly payments are due October 2023 - May 2024

Each payment = \$45/month

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at 8 am!*



### 4401A

Fridays, February 17-March 24

10:30-11:30 am

(No class March 3, 31)

5 sessions - \$25 per family

Sarah LaPointe

Hanover Elementary

Room 200

## Every Family Counts

Being on the census ensures that you will receive ECFE mailings, be notified of Early Childhood Screening and receive kindergarten information when your child becomes 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

# Resources & Registration



## Early Childhood Screening (Age 3-5 years)

Screening will check your child's overall development. The state of Minnesota recommends all children be screened before their 4th birthday in order to start kindergarten in any Minnesota public school. **Screening is required within 90 days of beginning ECFE preschool. Call 763.682.8408 or 763.682.8780 to schedule.** Appointments available in Buffalo.



## Parent Coaching

An ECFE Parent Educator will visit virtually or in an ECFE classroom with you. Visits can include:

- ◆ **Time to talk** and problem solve ways to meet your family's needs.
- ◆ **Resources** and ideas on parenting, child development and community services.
- ◆ **Free** for families with children ages birth to kindergarten entrance.
- ◆ Contact Barbara, ECFE Coordinator, at 763.682.8753 or [beckberg@bhmschools.org](mailto:beckberg@bhmschools.org).

## KidKare KinderKids "Wrap-Around" Care



## KidKare BHM SCHOOLS

**KidKare Kinderkids** is a full day care program for ages 3-5 not yet in kindergarten. We offer childcare that "wraps around" your Ready, Set, Grow Preschool class. We also offer full day care on non-preschool class days at our Hanover, Parkside and Montrose locations. Drop your child off for care in the morning and

our staff will escort them to class when it is time. After class, your child will be brought back to **KinderKids** until they are picked up. For more information, visit [bhmschools.org/kidkare](http://bhmschools.org/kidkare) or contact Tiffany Lund, KidKare Coordinator, at 763.682.8787 or [tlund@bhmschools.org](mailto:tlund@bhmschools.org).

Secure your spot on our **KinderKids** waiting list for the 2022-2023 school year when you register your child for a Ready, Set, Grow class. KidKare will contact you in July to complete the **KidKare KinderKids** registration process. **A \$50 non-refundable registration fee is due per family.**

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## 3 Ways to Register for Preschool

Online [bhmschools.ce.eleyo.com](http://bhmschools.ce.eleyo.com)

By Phone 763.682.8780

In Person ECFE/Community Education Office  
301 2nd Ave NE, Buffalo (Door 1)

Contact ECFE at 763.682.8780 with questions or for our refund policy on classes, activities and programs.

## Join Our Bison Family!





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## Come Join the Fun!

### Preschool Locations

- Discovery Center 301 2nd Ave NE, Buffalo
- Parkside Elementary 207 3rd St NE, Buffalo
- Tatanka Elementary 703 8th St NE, Buffalo
- Hanover Elementary 274 LeBeaux Ave NE, Hanover
- Montrose Early Education Center 115 2nd St S, Montrose



## What's New?

at BHM Schools Preschool

**New!** Nature-Based Preschool  
at Hanover and Montrose

**New!** Location  
at Tatanka Elementary



**New!** 5-Day Half Day Option  
at Hanover

**New!** 5-Day Full Day Option  
at two sites in Buffalo

All this and more inside!

## ECFE Family Fair

Saturday, April 22, 10 am - 1 pm  
Discovery Center Gym

Dozens of parent and child  
activities AND entertainment!



Silent  
Auction  
Baskets



Entertainment  
by, *Wonderful  
World of  
Woody*



Community  
Center  
Toy Shop



Bison  
Box Lunch

For more information or questions about  
Family Fair, contact ECFE at 763.682.8780.