

# **Preschool 2025-2026**

Registration opens
February 24 at 8 am











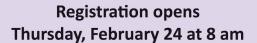
# Welcome to the Bison Community!

# We are excited to have you join our preschool community. The Bison Preschool offers educational programs intentionally designed for our youngest learners ages 2.5 to Kindergarten entrance.

Bison Preschool students will 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 Childhood 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.

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### 3 Ways to Register for Preschool

Online bhmschools.ce.eleyo.com

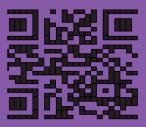
**By Phone** 763.682.8780

<u>In Person</u> 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.

Tuition assistance may be available.

Please contact ECFE office for more information.



### **Preschool Options at a Glance**



### Little Bison Preschool

### 2.5 years old by September 1, 2025

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, and 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 Preschool-Ready For More (Discovery Elementary).

### **Bison Preschool**

#### 3 years old by September 1, 2025

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 preschool classes are taught by Licensed Early Teachers in partnership with Early Childhood Special Education teachers and are created for all children.

Bison Preschool offerings include Three, Four, and Five Day All Day Options Please Note: Parents are responsible for transportation to and from preschool.



### Unique Offerings:

#### **Bison Explore Nature Preschool**

This unique Bison Preschool option (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 will have access to indoor and outdoor learning opportunities. Join us as we learn more about the natural world and our place in it.

### Bison All Day Preschool

This Bison Preschool option 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.



#### 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 suc-

ceed. 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 2025-26**

| Location  | Time            | Monday   | Tuesday  | Wednesday  | Thursday   | Friday  |
|---|-----------------|--|--|--|--|---|
| Discovery Elementary Room EC1                   | 8-9:30 AM       | Monday   | Little Bison Ready for More 1 Day Ages 2.5-3.5 years Class 4034A                   | Wednesday  | Little Bison<br>Ready for More<br>1 Day<br>Ages 2.5-3.5 years<br>Class 4034A       | Filday  |
| <b>Discovery Elementary</b><br>Room EC2         | 8-11 AM         | Bison Preschool<br>4 Day (M-Th)<br>Ages 4-5 years<br>Class 4204A                   |   |
|   | 12:30-3 PM      | Bison Preschool<br>2 Day (M, W)<br>Ages 3-4 years<br>Class 4204B                   | Bison Preschool<br>2 Day (T, Th)<br>Ages 3-4 years<br>Class 4204C                  | Bison Preschool<br>2 Day (M, W)<br>Ages 3-4 years<br>Class 4204B                   | Bison Preschool<br>2 Day (T, Th)<br>Ages 3-4 years<br>Class 4204C                  |   |
| Parkside Elementary<br>Room 303                 | 8-10:30 AM      | Bison Preschool<br>3 day (M, T, W)<br>Ages 3-4 years<br>Class 4205A                | Bison Preschool<br>3 day (M, T, W)<br>Ages 3-4 years<br>Class 4205A                | Bison Preschool<br>3 day (M, T, W)<br>Ages 3-4 years<br>Class 4205A                |  |   |
|   | 12-3 PM         | Bison Preschool<br>4 Day (M-Th)<br>Ages 4-5 years<br>Class 4205B                   |   |
| Parkside Elementary<br>Room 307                 | 7:45 AM-2:25 PM | Bison Preschool<br>All Day<br>5 Full day (M-F)<br>Ages 4-5 years<br>Class 4205C    | Bison Preschool<br>All Day<br>5 Full day (M-F)<br>Ages 4-5 years<br>Class 4205C    | Bison Preschool<br>All Day<br>5 Full day (M-F)<br>Ages 4-5 years<br>Class 4205C    | Bison Preschool<br>All Day<br>5 Full day (M-F)<br>Ages 4-5 years<br>Class 4205C    | Bison Preschool<br>All Day<br>5 Full day (M-F)<br>Ages 4-5 years<br>Class 4205C |
| Tatanka Elementary<br>Room 116                  | 7:45 AM-2:25 PM | Bison Preschool<br>All Day<br>5 Full day (M-F)<br>Ages 4-5 years<br>Class 4206A    | Bison Preschool<br>All Day<br>5 Full day (M-F)<br>Ages 4-5 years<br>Class 4206A    | Bison Preschool<br>All Day<br>5 Full day (M-F)<br>Ages 4-5 years<br>Class 4206A    | Bison Preschool<br>All Day<br>5 Full day (M-F)<br>Ages 4-5 years<br>Class 4206A    | Bison Preschool<br>All Day<br>5 Full day (M-F)<br>Ages 4-5 years<br>Class 4206A |
| Hanover Elementary                              | 8-9:30 AM       |  |  |  | Little Bison STEAM<br>1 Day<br>Ages 2.5-3.5 years<br>Class 4034B                   |   |
| Room 200  | 8-10:30 AM      | Bison Preschool<br>2 Day (M, W)<br>Ages 3-4 years<br>Class 4207A                   |  | Bison Preschool<br>2 Day (M, W)<br>Ages 3-4 years<br>Class 4207A                   |  |   |
| Hanover Elementary                              | 8-10:15 AM      | Bison Preschool<br>3 day (M, T, W)<br>Ages 3-4 years<br>Class 4207B                | Bison Preschool<br>3 day (M, T, W)<br>Ages 3-4 years<br>Class 4207B                | Bison Preschool<br>3 day (M, T, W)<br>Ages 3-4 years<br>Class 4207B                |  |   |
| ECFE Room                                       | 11:15-2:15 PM   | Bison Preschool<br>Explore Nature<br>4 Day (M-Th)<br>Ages 4-5 years<br>Class 4207C | Bison Preschool<br>Explore Nature<br>4 Day (M-Th)<br>Ages 4-5 years<br>Class 4207C | Bison Preschool<br>Explore Nature<br>4 Day (M-Th)<br>Ages 4-5 years<br>Class 4207C | Bison Preschool<br>Explore Nature<br>4 Day (M-Th)<br>Ages 4-5 years<br>Class 4207C |   |
|   | 8-9:30 AM       | Little Bison<br>Explore Nature<br>1 Day<br>Ages 2.5-3.5 years<br>Class 4034C       |  |  |  |   |
| Montrose Early Education<br>Center<br>ECFE Room | 8-10:30 AM      |  | Bison Preschool<br>2 Day (T, Th)<br>Ages 3-4 years<br>Class 4208A                  |  | Bison Preschool<br>2 Day (T, Th)<br>Ages 3-4 years<br>Class 4208A                  |   |
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### **Preschool Options in Buffalo**



4205A

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# **Discovery Center** 301 2nd Ave NE, Buffalo

| Little Bison Ready for More (2 Days)           | 4034A              |
|--|--------------------|
| Ages 2.5-3.5 years Tuesday & Thursday Room EC1 | 8 - 9:30 am<br>TBD |
| Bison Preschool (2 Days)                       | 4204B              |

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| Ages 3-4 years           |              |
| Monday & Wednesday       | 12:30 - 3 pm |
| Room EC2                 | Jen Robeck   |
|                          |              |

| Bison Preschool (2 Days) | 4204C        |
|--------------------------|--------------|
| Ages 3-4 years           |              |
| Tuesday & Thursday       | 12:30 - 3 pm |
| Room EC2                 | Jen Robeck   |
|                          |              |

| Bison Preschool (4 Days) | 4204A      |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Ages 4-5 years           |            |
| Monday - Thursday        | 8 - 11 am  |
| Room EC2                 | Jen Robeck |



Check out Wrap-Around Care for preschoolers through the KidKare Program.

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### Parkside Elementary 207 3rd St NE, Buffalo

**Bison Preschool (3 Days)** 

| Ages 3-4 years Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday Room 303                       | 8 - 10:30 am<br>Miranda Weber                     |
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| Bison Preschool (4 Days) Ages 4-5 years Monday - Thursday Room 303       | <b>4205B</b><br>12 - 3 pm<br>Miranda Weber        |
| Bison Preschool All Day (5 Days) Ages 4-5 years Monday - Friday Room 307 | <b>4205C</b><br>7:45am - 2:25 pm<br>Emily Pearson |

# Tatanka Elementary 703 8th St NE, Buffalo

| Bison Preschool All Day 5 Days | 4208B           |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| Ages 4-5 years                 |                 |
| Monday - Friday                | 7:45am - 2:25pm |
| Room 307                       | TBD             |
|                                |                 |

#### **Payment Information**

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<u>9 monthly payments</u> are due September 2025 – May 2026

1 day per week = \$50 per month

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4 days per week = \$250 per month

5 days per week = \$785 per month

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### Preschool Options in Hanover & Montrose

4034B

### Hanover Elementary 274 LaBeaux Ave NE, Hanover

### Little Bison STEAM (1 Day)

**Ages 2.5-3.5 years** 

Thursday 8 - 9:30 am Room 200 Nicole Tuchscherer

#### Bison Preschool (2 Days) 4207A

Ages 3-4 years

Monday & Wednesday 8 - 10:30 am Room 200 Nicole Tuchscherer

### Bison Preschool (3 Days) 4207B

Ages 3-4 years

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 8 - 10:15 am ECFE Room TBD

### Bison Preschool Explore Nature (4 Days) 4207C

Ages 4-5 years

Monday - Thursday 11:15 am - 2:15 pm ECFE Room TBD

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# Montrose Early Education Center 115 2nd St S, Montrose

### Little Bison Explore Nature (1 Day) 4034C

Ages 2.5-3.5 years

Monday 8 - 9:30 am ECFE Room Stephanie Adelman

### Bison Preschool (2 Days) 4208A

Ages 3-4 years

Tuesday, Thursday 8 - 10:30 am ECFE Room Stephanie Adelman

### Bison Preschool Explore Nature (4 Days) 4208B

Ages 4-5 years

Monday - Thursday 12 - 3 pm ECFE Room Stephanie Adelman

# **BHM Resources & Preschool Registration**

### **Early Childhood Screening**

Do you have a child between the ages of 3-5 years old?

The state of Minnesota requires all children to be screened, and recommends screening at age 3 in order to provide ample time to provide support if needed. Early Childhood Developmental Screenings are checks that help parents understand how their child is developing and growing.

During your screening appointment a trained professional will check:

- Vision and Hearing
- Height and Weight
- Immunizations (shots) review
- Large and Small muscles
- Thinking, Language, and Communication skills
- Social and Emotional development

Register online today!







KidKare KinderKids is a full day care program for ages 3-5 not yet in kindergarten. We offer childcare that "wraps around" your Bison Preschool class as well as full day care on non- preschool class days at our Hanover, Montrose, Parkside and Tatanka 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 KidKare KinderKids until it is time to go home.



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# Early Childhood Family Education Advisory Council

Parents, WE NEED YOU! Parents of young children are invited to participate in special events, fundraising, and provide programming input. This is a great way to meet other area families and get involved in the Buffalo-Hanover-Montrose school district. The meetings take place in person and virtually. Members receive a 10% discount on ECFE fees/tuition. For more information contact Jen Greenhagen, igreenhagen@bhmschools.org or 763.682.8753

Meeting Dates 2025: February 10, March 10, April 14



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Registration Site: bhmschools.ce.eleyo.com

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### **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

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