

# Lagoon Playgroup 2017-2018

## Basic Enrollment Information

The 2017-2018 school year runs from September 6, 2017 – June 8, 2018. The Lagoon Playgroup follows the Long Beach Unified School District traditional holiday and school closure calendar.

The Lagoon Playgroup is not a typical preschool. It is a Parent Cooperative that provides a unique experience where parents have the opportunity to participate first-hand in their child's school experience. In order for the school to be successful, each family at the Lagoon Playgroup must participate in a number of activities and duties. It is a place for caring, responsible and engaged families who are willing to work as a community. Please review the program carefully before committing.

### Junior Group (3-4 year olds):

- The Junior Group meets Tuesday and Thursday from 9:00 am until 12:00 pm. Children participate in educational activities, active play and eat snack at each session. In addition, field trips, guest speakers and other special activities are scheduled monthly. Participating families will be scheduled to work school sessions from 8:30 am – 12:30 pm and will be assigned to bring a beverage or snack for the entire class on their work day. Tuition is **\$155 per month** (paid in 9 monthly installments).
- An optional Extended Day program is offered from 12:00pm – 2:00pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays. This program runs November – May and families may opt in and out of the program on a monthly basis. A minimum of 5 children must commit to attending the Extended Day program for it to be offered for the month. The fee for the program is **\$7.50 per day** so the total monthly cost varies based on the number of days it is offered each month. Participating families will be scheduled to work Extended Day sessions from 12:00 pm – 2:30 pm. Each child must bring their own lunch.
- Child must be 3 years old by September 2<sup>nd</sup> of that school year. Child must be current on all vaccinations and potty trained.

### Senior Group (4-5 year olds):

- The Senior Group meets Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:00 am until 12:00 pm. Children participate in educational activities, active play and eat snack at each session. Participating families will be scheduled to work school sessions from 8:30 am – 12:30 pm and will be assigned to bring a beverage or snack for the entire class on their work day. Tuition is **\$225 per month** (paid in 9 monthly installments).
- An optional Extended Day program is offered from 12:00pm – 2:00pm on Mondays and Wednesdays. This program runs October – May and families may opt in and out of the program on a monthly basis. A minimum of 5 children must commit to attending the Extended Day program for it to be offered for the month. The fee for the program is **\$7.50 per day** so the total monthly cost varies based on the number of days it is offered each month. Participating families will be scheduled to work Extended Day sessions from 12:00 pm – 2:30 pm. Each child must bring their own lunch.

- Child must be 4 years old by September 2<sup>nd</sup> of that school year. Child must be current on all vaccinations and potty trained.

#### **COMMITMENTS:**

- Working Parent: At least one parent in the family must commit to being a working parent. That parent will work at the school typically 1-3 times a month assisting the Teacher in classroom set-up and clean-up, scheduled activities and overall class management. The working parent is hands-on with the children during their work shift and should be prepared to interact with the students in one-on-one and group settings. The working parent will be assigned to bring a beverage or snack for the entire group. The workday begins at 8:30 am and goes until at least 12:30 pm (depending on clean-up time). Grandparents and/or babysitters may not substitute for a working parent. Siblings may not attend the school during your work shifts. The working parent must pass a background check and provide a recent physical that includes proof of immunity to measles and pertussis, as well as a negative TB test, among other documents.
- Attend Summer and Fall Orientation Sessions: These sessions are mandatory for the working parent(s). Children may not attend orientation sessions.
- Hold a Coordinator or Board Member Position: Each member will be assigned a job that they are responsible for effectively handling for the entire year. Examples of available jobs include President, Treasurer, Librarian, Special Events Coordinator, Art Coordinator, Science and Animal Coordinator, etc. You will be given a notebook that explains your position. These jobs require work outside of class time.
- Participate in Fundraisers: Because we are a non-profit cooperative with low tuition rates, participation in fundraisers throughout the year is mandatory. An outline of the fundraisers and requirements will be provided by the Ways and Means Chairperson.
- Attend & Host/Co-Host Monthly Meetings: The working parent must attend mandatory general membership meetings. These meetings are typically held on the first Monday of every month from 6:30 pm to approximately 9:00 pm. Children may not attend. You will be asked to Host and/or provide food/beverage items for the general membership meetings typically 3-5 times per year.
- Perform Housekeeping Duties at the School: Parents must attend two general cleaning days a year and volunteer for maintenance projects as they arise.
- Participate in Field Trips & Special Events: Our children have an active curriculum that involves many field trips and special events. Parents must volunteer outside of assigned work days to help drive carpool, assist with special event set-up or clean-up, etc. In order to participate in some of these activities parents must have a clean driving record and proof of auto insurance that meets the school's minimum requirements.
- Pay Tuition: Tuition is due at the general membership meeting or by the 5<sup>th</sup> of each month, whichever is later. Unpaid tuition is subject to late fees and suspension of your membership.
- Follow all School Rules: You will be provided copies of our By-Laws, Standing Rules and Parent Handbook. You will be responsible for reading these guidelines and following all rules and policies. Fines and other penalties may be enacted for non-adherence.
- Actively Participate in the Community: The success of our program depends on an active and engaged community. We are seeking members who are looking to grow their network of friends and are eager to participate in school activities and support each other.

There is a ***probationary period of eight weeks for the working parent and child***, subject to review by the Board.

**RATES:**

**Enrollment Junior Rates:**

- \$ 50.00          Application Fee
- \$140.00        Registration, Fees and Insurance
- \$155.00        First Month Tuition
- \$ 85.00        Working Parent Background Check Fee (per parent)

Total Deposit for Enrollment: \$430.00 for One Working Parent | \$515.00 for Two Working Parents

**Enrollment Senior Rates:**

- \$ 50.00          Application Fee
- \$170.00        Registration, Fees and Insurance
- \$225.00        First Month Tuition
- \$ 85.00        Working Parent Background Check Fee (per parent)

Total Deposit for Enrollment: \$530.00 for One Working Parent | \$615.00 for Two Working Parents