
Welcome to the Universal Pre-K program! We are so excited to have your child in our class this year. We have such amazing things planned and we can't wait to get started on all the fun! The Pre-K teachers will be working together to maximize your child's growth and development as they continue to prepare for kindergarten.

We believe that children learn through play. Therefore, we encourage them to explore/create using their imaginations. Discovery centers are all around the room, and have various materials such as blocks, dramatic play, trains, cars, and art. The children will be free to utilize these throughout the day.

We will also be focused on kindergarten readiness and preparation. We believe early exposure is best to create a solid foundation and familiarity. We will be reinforcing skills your child has already mastered, as well as providing an assortment of projects, crafts, books, and activities for each day. We have also implemented the Heggerty Program which has proven instrumental in helping with the Kindergarten curriculum.

We believe that a good parent-teacher relationship is necessary for school success. Throughout the year, we will send daily/weekly updates through the Band App. **Please make sure to download the app first, THEN join with the link we will provide.**

We would love to know more about your child, and what you as the parents believe will help us make the most out of this year. Please answer the questions on the questionnaire in the next packet and return it to us on Orientation Night 8/27.

Sincerely,

Miss Gina 516-369-4306

Miss Amaya

Miss Midge

Pre-K 3 Supply List

The following Items should be Labeled with your Childs First and Last Name:

1-**School-Sized** Backpack (All personal Belongings Must be Kept Together so the backpack must be the appropriate size. **Please no small sized ones**).

1 One Red Folder

1 1-1/2" Black or white binder with front cover insert

50 Page protectors

1 Box Washable Crayola thick classic markers

1 Box of Ticonderoga Sharpened #2 pencils

4 Expo Fine-tip dry erase markers & 2 Wide-tip dry erase markers

1 Elmer's 4pk Giant Washable School Glue Sticks (Disappearing Purple)

1 Box of Crayola Color Pencils

1 24 Count Crayola Crayons

1 Pair Child -Safe Scissors

1 Four Pack of 4oz Playdoh

1 Family Picture

4 Different Photos of your child to be used throughout the year

3 Containers of Clorox Wipes

6 Big Packs of Baby/Hand Wipes

6 Boxes of Tissues

1 Extra Change of Clothing in a Labeled Ziploc Bag (changed seasonally)

1 Zip Up Sweatshirt to be left in your Child's Backpack

1 Sleep Sac or equivalent (These will be sent home on Fridays) for aftercare children only

MEET THE TEACHERS

Welcome to the 2025-2026 Pre-K 3 class!

Miss Gina

Hi families!

My name is Gina Weiss. I absolutely love to teach, and I'm thrilled to work with your children. It's going to be an exciting and fun-filled year. I can't wait to see what this year holds for us. I am excited to be working with Miss Amaya, and Miss Midge.

I live in North Bellmore and am married with 3 children; 2 grown boys and one teenage daughter, who attends Mepham. Family is very important to me, and I love traveling and making memories with mine!

I started teaching Pre-K at TLC Brookside two years ago. I have previously worked in the NBNM school district, as well as Uniondale and Valley Stream, and I hold certifications in CDA Early Childhood Education, CPR and Education Nursery-6. I believe children learn through doing, so we try to incorporate as many hands-on experiences as we can into the classroom.

I am so looking forward to meeting you at orientation! I appreciate you trusting me with your most precious possessions in advance. I promise to treat your child with the same respect that I would expect for my own children, and I am looking forward to seeing how much they grow throughout the year. Last but not least, I will do everything in my power to provide your children with a fun, safe and unforgettable experience!

Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions at 516-369-4306 

Miss Amaya

Hello parents and families of our 2025-2026 Pre-K 3 classroom. My name is Miss Amaya.

I love learning and helping children to learn as I further my education in early childhood development. I'd like to send a warm welcome your way as I am honored to be assisting Miss Gina in the development of our new and wonderful little students.

I aim to help encourage them to be brave, to be kind and to love learning as they grow with us. My goal is to help them master their preschool year.

Miss Midge

Hi everyone!

My name is Miss Midge and I am so happy to have worked at TLC for nineteen years. I love working with young children and helping them to learn new things is very rewarding. I live in the community and spend time on Saturdays at the library reading to the children as often as possible.

Thank you for letting me share your children for the year!

- ALL BELONGINGS MUST BE LABELED WITH FIRST AND LAST NAMES. THIS INCLUDES WATER BOTTLES, SNACK/LUNCH BOXES AND EXTRA CLOTHES.
- ALL MEDICATIONS, DOCUMENTS, TUITION OR ANYTHING IMPORTANT MUST BE HANDED DIRECTLY TO THE TEACHER. WE WILL BE HAVING THE CHILDREN UNPACK THEIR BACKPACKS, AND WE DO NOT WANT ANYTHING MISPLACED.
- ALL CHILDREN MUST BE FULLY POTTY TRAINED BY THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL. WE UNDERSTAND ACCIDENTS HAPPEN, BUT AFTER THE 2ND WEEK OF SCHOOL, IF YOUR CHILD HAS AN ACCIDENT, YOU WILL BE CONTACTED TO COME PICK THEM UP.
- PLEASE **DO NOT** SEND YOUR CHILD IN WITH TOYS/STUFFED ANIMALS. WE HAVE HAD INSTANCES WHERE SENTIMENTAL ITEMS HAVE GOTTEN LOST!
- ***WE ARE A **PEANUT FREE FACILITY**. PLEASE BE MINDFUL OF THAT WHEN SENDING IN FOOD FROM HOME.
- RED FOLDERS WILL BE SENT HOME DAILY TO BE CHECKED AND CLEARED OF HOMEWORK, NOTICES, NOTES FROM US, ETC.
- HOMEWORK WILL GO HOME ON MONDAY AND IS DUE FRIDAY.
- PLEASE KEEP A LABELED SWEATSHIRT/HOODIE IN YOUR CHILD'S BACKPACK.
- OUR SNAPSHOT NOTICES, CALENDAR AND MENU WILL GO HOME MONTHLY WITH NOTICES/PLANNED ACTIVITIES FOR THE UPCOMING MONTH. **PLEASE** PRINT THE MENU SO IT IS HANDY, AND REVIEW IT. IF THERE IS SOMETHING YOU KNOW YOUR CHILD WILL NOT EAT, FEEL FREE TO SEND IN AN ALTERNATE FOR THAT DAY IF THEY EAT THE SCHOOL LUNCH.
- DO NOT HESITATE TO REACH OUT WITH ANY QUESTIONS AND OR CONCERNS. WE WILL WORK QUICKLY TO ADDRESS ANY ISSUES THAT MAY ARISE.

Name: _____ Nickname: _____

Describe your child's personality.

What are some expectations for your child this year?

How does your child feel about school?

What are your child's strengths?

What area would you like to see the most improvement for your child?

What are your child's hobbies/ favorite thing to do?

Is your child a good eater? Picky eater? Allergies or intolerances we should know about?

Please include any other information you would like me to know about your child.

What kinds of rewards/ reinforcements work best with your child?

About your family: What activities do you enjoy as a family? What holidays do you celebrate? Other important things?
