



Arcola Christian Preschool

"Let the little children come to Me . . . for of such is
the kingdom of God."
(Luke 18:16 NKJV)

January 2019

Director's Note

Happy New Year!

I hope you had a holiday season full of joy. It was wonderful to see so many parents, siblings, grandparents, and other family members and friends at the Family Christmas Sing-A-Long and at Christmas Eve worship. What glorious celebrations of our Savior's birth!

I am looking forward to being back at school and seeing your children's happy, smiley faces. They will be full of news for us about special time with their families and will be so excited to see their friends which is always fun. The teachers have many wonderful learning experiences planned for this month and registration begins for the 2019-2020 school year.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

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Scholastic Book Orders

This month's **orders are due January 22**. Remember, placing your online credit card order is completely safe and secure.

Web address: scholastic.com/bookclubs

Class Activation Code: GZVWY

2019-2020 Registration for ACP

Registration for the 2019-2020 school year has begun. Information and forms are available in the Lobby of the Worship Center and on our web site (www.ArcolaChurch.org). I've also attached one to this newsletter in case you need it or want to pass it on to a friend.

If your child is a current student interested in returning next year, you will need to register again.

All applications must be received by **noon on February 15, 2019** to be included in the lottery.

Admin Notes

Illness

Reminder – If your child is ill, they cannot return to school until 24 hours after their symptoms (fever, vomiting, diarrhea) have subsided. We play outside every day so if they cannot go outside, please keep them home. Thank you for helping keep all of our children healthy!

Tuition

Tuition payments are **due the first of each month**. We rely on your timely payments to pay our staff and purchase supplies.

Absences

If your child is going to be out of school due to illness or travel, please inform your child's teacher or the preschool office.

Odds and Ends

Please be sure to label all clothes, jackets, and school bags with your child's name. Many children do not recognize their own jackets when there are several others that look similar.

Snack

All snacks must be nut free – that includes peanuts and tree nuts. Snacks must be store bought with labels we

can read and be unopened. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping all students safe.

Warm Clothes

We play outside every day unless it is raining or the playground is covered in snow. Please make sure your child is dressed appropriately with all items labeled. If your child cannot put on their own gloves, please help the teachers and send MITTENS instead! We want the children to feel as independent as possible (plus, mittens keep their hands warmer). Thank you!!!

Arcola Christian Preschool Calendar:

January 2 – Registration begins
January 18 – NO SCHOOL - LCPS movable student holiday (if date changes for LCPS, so will ours)
January 21 – NO SCHOOL – MLK, Jr. Day
February 15 – Registration deadline at noon
February 19 – NO SCHOOL – Presidents’ Day
February 28 & March 1 – School Pictures

Upcoming events at Arcola Church

Please look at our church website for more information about our church and these upcoming groups or events. More are listed online. Feel free to share this information with friends. All are welcome.

Financial Peace University

Financial Peace University is a nine-lesson, money-management class taught by Dave Ramsey. Dave and his teaching team will walk you through the basics of budgeting, dumping debt, planning for the future, and much more through videos, online tools and resources. This 9-week course, coordinated by Betsy West, runs January 23 - March 20. **Registration deadline is Sunday, January 20.** For more information, visit <https://arcolachurch.org/event/1254852-2019-01-23-financial-peace-university-class/>

Moms with Littles

Join us for "Moms with Littles" on Wednesdays from 9:30-10:30am in Room 110. We will meet the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month resuming January 3. We'll drink coffee, nibble on snacks, discuss scripture and share the joys and challenges of motherhood. Free childcare available upon request.
<https://arcolachurch.org/event/1206770-2019-01-03-moms-with-littles/>

Refill Wednesday

Our next Refill Wednesday will be on January 16 at 6pm. Come for a great time of fellowship and a meal prepared by Arcola volunteers. Go [online](#) and RSVP. <https://arcolachurch.org/event/1163991-2018-12-05-refill-wednesdays/>

Dates with a Purpose

Go on a date with your spouse on Saturday, January 19. Before you go, join us at the church at 6pm for a 20 minute discussion on ways to improve your relationship. Childcare is available. **Deadline for childcare is Thursday, January 17, at 5pm.** Go [online](#) to register. <https://arcolachurch.org/event/819836-2019-01-19-dates-with-a-purpose/>

Divorce Care and Recovery Group

The Divorce Care and Recovery Group is a 7 week support group that runs from January 15 to March 5 from 7-9pm in the Conference room. This group is for people who are going through a divorce or are recently divorced. Our goal is to provide healing, comfort and care as you process your divorce. Each week focuses on a new topic to consider. We will pray, talk, encourage, express feelings, support each other, and do some artistic expression. This is open to the Arcola community. [Register here.](#) <https://arcolachurch.org/event/1249197-2019-01-15-divorce-care-and-recovery-for-adults/>

Arcola United Methodist Church

Pastor: Chris Riedel

Web site: www.arcolachurch.org

Sunday worship times: 8:00, 9:15 & 11:00 am



If you are interested in learning more about what is happening in the life of Arcola Church, please send me an e-mail (BarbaraL@ArcolaChurch.org) and I will have you added to the church newsletter e-mail distribution list.



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Registration Lottery Information 2019-2020

Registration for the 2019-2020 school year will begin on January 2, 2019. The registration packet consists of this information sheet, the class schedule, fee schedule, and registration form. Information and forms are available in the church lobby and on our website (www.ArcolaChurch.org).

We will begin accepting applications for registration on **January 2, 2019**. All applications must be **received by noon on February 15, 2019**. (We are not responsible for delays in mail service.)

Acceptance into the preschool is based on a lottery system. There will be a lottery for each of the following groups, in this order of consideration:

- Currently enrolled students and children of teachers
- Siblings of currently enrolled students
- Siblings of alumni
- Children of active board members and church staff
- Children of actively involved members of Arcola United Methodist Church
- General Public

Registration forms may be mailed to the church, to the attention of the Preschool Director, or delivered in person to a staff member at the preschool during one of the information sessions or on any school day during our registration period between 10-11:30am.

A registration fee of \$135.00, in the form of a check made out to Arcola Christian Preschool, must be included with the registration form. This fee is non-refundable if your child is offered placement in any of your choices. Placements are made by **March 1, 2019**. If a child is not offered placement, the registration fee will be returned. However, those children will automatically be placed on a wait list unless parents notify the Director, in writing or through email, that they do not wish to continue the process. In the event a space becomes available, parents will be contacted and given 48 hours to notify the Preschool Director of their decision and pay the \$135 registration fee.

All children, whose registrations arrive after noon on February 15, 2019, will be placed on a wait list until all timely registrations are processed.

The Lottery Process

1. As registrations are received, they will be grouped in the categories listed above.
2. Registration forms will be drawn randomly within the first group, and children will be placed in a class based on the preference indicated on the registration form. If the first choice is not available, the student will be placed in the second choice and put on the wait list for the first choice.
3. After the first group is placed, we will go through the same process for each of the remaining groups in the order they are listed above.
4. Registrants will be notified by e-mail of acceptance on or before **March 1, 2019**.
5. Children will automatically be placed on the wait list unless parents notify the Director, in writing or through email, that they do not wish to continue the process.
6. **We will continue to place students who apply after February 15, 2019, on a first-come, first-serve basis until all slots are full or add them to the waiting list.**

Although we will do our best to accommodate preferences in class placement, we must consider the boy/girl ratio in each class, as well as the need to place siblings in school on the same days.



2019-2020 CLASS SCHEDULE OPTIONS

All classes meet from 9:30 am – 12:15 pm.

Arcola Christian Preschool reserves the right to alter the class schedule based on enrollment demands.

2 ½ year olds (must be 2 by March 31, 2019) have the following options:

- Tuesday and Thursday
- Wednesday and Friday

3 year olds (must be 3 by September 30, 2019) have the following options:

- Tuesday and Thursday
- Wednesday and Friday
- Monday/Tuesday/Thursday
- Monday/Wednesday/Friday

4/5 year olds (must be 4 by September 30, 2019) have the following options:

- Monday/Wednesday/Friday
- Monday/Tuesday/Thursday
- Monday through Thursday mornings (Priority for this 4-day class will be current students who need an extra year of preschool and then those who will be 5 before January 1, 2020.)
- Monday through Friday mornings (Priority for this 5-day class will be current students who need an extra year of preschool and then those who will be 5 before January 1, 2020.)

FEE SCHEDULE

A **REGISTRATION FEE** of \$135.00 must accompany each registration form. The registration fee is non-refundable if your child is offered placement in our program so make sure to only mark those classes you are willing to accept.

TUITION for the 2019-2020 school year at Arcola Christian Preschool is listed below. Tuition is to be paid in nine equal installments. The first tuition payment is due May 1, 2019. It is a deposit and will be credited as the May 2020 payment. The remainder of the payments are to be made by the first of each month, August through March, and are applied to the following month's fees.

To ensure we receive timely payments, **we ask that all families make their tuition payments through our [online payment page](#) using an electronic fund transfer or use bill pay through your bank** allowing at least 7 days for processing and delivery. If this presents a problem for your family, please talk with our Director.

Monthly Tuition

Two day classes	\$235.00
Three day classes	\$295.00
Four day class	\$365.00
Five day class	\$425.00

Information Sessions and Tours are offered at 10am on the following days:

Wednesday, January 9
Thursday, January 24
Tuesday, February 5

Tuesday, January 15
Wednesday, January 30
Wednesday, February 13

To reserve your space, sign up [online](#).



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Check one:

- Currently enrolled student or child of teacher
- Sibling of currently enrolled student
- Sibling of alumni
- ACP Board Member or church staff
- Actively involved member at Arcola UMC
- General Public

2019-2020 REGISTRATION FORM

Child's Name: _____ Date of Birth: ___/___/_____ Sex: _____
Last First Middle

Prefers to be called: _____ If more than one sibling is enrolling, keep them on same days? Yes ___ No ___

Class for which you would like to enroll your child (please mark your choices in order of preference: 1st, 2nd, etc.). Do not choose a class you are unwilling to accept. Arcola Christian Preschool reserves the right to alter the class schedule as listed below based on enrollment demands.

2 ½ year-old (must be turning 2 by March 31, 2019)	3-Year-Old Classes (must be 3 years old by Sept. 30, 2019)	4/5-Year-Old Classes (must be 4 years old by Sept. 30, 2019)
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Name of Parents/Guardians: _____

Mother

Father

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

E-mail Address (Primary method of communication!): _____

Phone Number: _____

*If the class in which you wish to enroll your child is full, your child will be put on the wait list unless you notify the Director, in writing, that you do not wish to continue the process.

SPECIAL NEEDS:

Are there any areas where your child needs special support/services? **(Please do not request teachers or classmates.)**

*We feel it is important for our teachers to spend all their time with the children in the classroom. Therefore, it is our policy that all children be fully potty-trained before starting school. (2 ½ year-old must be actively working on training even if not completely trained.)

*A non-refundable registration fee of \$135.00 is due upon admission to our program. Checks should be made out to Arcola Christian Preschool. The first tuition payment acts as a deposit and is due May 1, 2019. The next tuition payment is due August 1 and monthly thereafter through March 1, 2020.

*Virginia State Law requires us to view your child's birth certificate before admitting him/her to the preschool.

*Arcola Christian Preschool admits students of any race, color, and national or ethnic origin.

 Signature of Parent

 Date

FOR OFFICE USE: Date received _____ Check # _____ Acceptance sent _____ Check returned _____