



EMPOWER PRESCHOOL

ACE Empower Preschool Program Information Packet for Parents

ACE Empower Preschool: A Snapshot of Joyful Growth

Alternate Community Education (ACE) proudly presents **ACE Empower Preschool**, a nurturing two-day-a-week program designed for ages 2–5, running for 16 weeks each semester. Launching August 18, 2025, this program blends play-based learning, hands-on exploration, and early life skills to spark creativity, curiosity, and confidence in our youngest learners. With a focus on fun, nature, farm animal cuddles, and group adventures, we empower preschoolers to grow through joyful, age-appropriate experiences.

- **Ages:** 2–5 years old (must be potty trained).
- **Schedule:**
 - Tuesdays & Thursdays.
 - **Part-Time:** 8:30am–12:30pm (4 hours/day).
 - **Full-Time:** 8:30am–3:00pm (6.5 hours/day).
 - 16 weeks per semester (Fall & Spring).
 - School-year commitment.
 - First day of classes: August 18, 2025.
- **Cost:**
 - Registration Fee: \$200/year.
 - Tuition: \$10/hour.
 - **Part-Time:** \$1,280.00/semester
 - **Full-Time:** \$2,080.00/semester
 - Supply Fee: \$100/semester or \$200/year.
 - **Payment Schedule:** \$300 due at enrollment (\$200 registration + \$100 supply fee); tuition divided into five monthly payments (July 1–Nov 1):
 - Part-Time: \$256/month.
 - Full-Time: \$416/month.
 - **Additional Expenses:** Curriculum and semester student supply list.

A Day at ACE Empower Preschool

Every day at ACE Empower Preschool is filled with play, discovery, and connection. Our schedule balances structured learning, outside play, creative exploration, and plenty of free time to ensure young learners thrive in a warm, supportive environment.

1. **Joyful Morning Circle** (8:30am–9:00am, 30 mins)
 - Start the day with songs, stories, and a group cheer to build friendships and set a happy tone.
 - Example: Sharing a “What I Love Today” moment to spark confidence.
2. **Play & Move Together** (9:00am–9:30am, 30 mins)
 - Fun group games like parachute play or obstacle courses promote teamwork, movement, and giggles.

- Farm animal cuddles at our school farm foster empathy and joy (e.g., petting bunnies or feeding chickens).
- 3. **Hands-On Learning Adventures** (9:30am–11:00am, 1.5 hours)
 - Three 30-minute blocks with short breaks for wiggles and snacks.
 - **Learning Component:** Age-appropriate activities focus on early literacy (e.g., letter recognition through storytelling), numeracy (e.g., counting games with blocks), and social skills (e.g., sharing during group tasks).
 - Hands-on projects like finger painting, nature walks, or sensory bins encourage curiosity and fine motor skills.
 - Guides provide gentle support to meet each child’s developmental needs.
- 4. **Lunch & Playtime** (11:00am–12:00pm, 1 hour)
 - 30-minute lunch (bring your own or opt for our healthy meal plan).
 - 30-minute outdoor play on swings, slides, or digging in the sandbox to unwind and socialize.
- 5. **Little Life Skills & Group Ventures** (12:00pm–1:30pm, 1.5 hours, Full-Time Only)
 - Simple life skills like tidying up toys or watering plants teach responsibility through play.
 - Group “entrepreneur” projects (e.g., setting up a lemonade stand or decorating cookies to “sell”) foster creativity and collaboration.
 - Farm visits or craft time add extra hands-on fun.
- 6. **Story & Snuggle Wrap-Up** (1:30pm–2:00pm, 30 mins, Full-Time Only)
 - Cozy storytime and group reflection (e.g., “What was your favorite part of today?”).
 - Songs or a puppet show celebrate the day’s adventures.
- 7. **Free Play & Farewell** (2:00pm–3:00pm, 1 hour, Full-Time Only)
 - Open play with blocks, dress-up, or farm visits lets kids explore at their own pace.
 - Gentle goodbyes prepare them for pickup with smiles.

Part-Time families depart at 12:30pm after lunch and playtime.

What Sets ACE Empower Preschool Apart

Our preschool is a magical place where play meets purpose, fostering growth through tailored, joyful experiences. Here’s what makes us unique:

- **Play-Based Learning:** Every activity, from painting to animal cuddles, sparks creativity and curiosity.
- **Farm Animal Connection:** Regular visits to our school farm animals teach empathy and care through hands-on interaction.
- **Group Adventures:** Simple projects like lemonade stands build teamwork and confidence.
- **Tiny Tasks, Big Impact:** Small jobs (e.g., passing out crayons) give kids a sense of pride and responsibility.
- **Nurturing Community:** Small groups and caring guides create a family-like environment.
- **Holistic Growth:** We blend early academics, social skills, and physical play to nurture well-rounded kids.
- **Low Child-to-Guide Ratio:** Personalized attention ensures every child feels seen and supported.
- **Optional Healthy Meals:** Nutritious lunches fuel growing bodies (or bring your own).
- **Brightwheel App:** Stay connected with photos, updates, and easy communication.
- **Support Team:**
 - **Program Director:** Designs playful, engaging curricula.
 - **Team Leads:** Offer warm, hands-on guidance.
 - **Student Guides:** Mentor kids with patience and enthusiasm.

Our **ACE Sprouts Program** rewards preschoolers for their efforts with fun, tangible prizes to teach early responsibility and joy in achievement.

- **Earning Sprouts:** Kids earn “Sprouts” (stickers or tokens) for milestones like helping a friend, trying a new task, or joining a group project.
- **Tiny Jobs:** Simple roles like line leader or snack helper build confidence (no formal applications—just guided participation).
- **Group Ventures:** Kids collaborate on projects like a “farm market” or art sale, earning Sprouts for teamwork.
- **Sprouts Treasure Chest:** Trade Sprouts for small toys, stickers, or books, teaching choice-making in a playful way.

Building Community at ACE Empower Preschool

We foster kindness and connection through small, meaningful acts:

- **Local Love:** Group projects like making cards for neighbors teach giving back.
- **Mini Garden:** Kids plant seeds and watch them grow, learning care and sharing.
- **Campus Care:** Tidying toys or feeding animals builds pride in their space.
- **Big-Hearted Lessons:** Stories and songs about helping others spark empathy.

Tailored Growth for Ages 2–5

Every activity is designed for preschoolers’ developmental stages:

- **Ages 2–3:** Focus on sensory play, basic sharing, and short stories (e.g., matching shapes, petting animals).
- **Ages 4–5:** Introduce early letters/numbers, group games, and simple projects (e.g., counting lemons for a stand).
- All tasks emphasize play, hands-on fun, and building confidence through small successes.

Streamlined Enrollment

Joining is easy and personalized:

1. **Submit Payment & Forms:** Pay \$300 (\$200 registration + \$100 supply fee) and complete Brightwheel forms.
2. **Share Your Child’s Story:** Fill out a “Get to Know Me” form to share their likes and needs.
3. **Connect with Us:** Our Program Director calls to discuss your child’s goals.
4. **Welcome Meeting:** Visit in July/August for a tour and to plan their joyful start.

Join Our Community

At ACE Empower Preschool, we’re excited to help your child shine through play, love, and discovery! Explore other ACE programs like NWA Farm School or ACE Enrichment Academy.

- **Website:** www.NWAACE.com
- **Enroll:** Email admin@nwaace.com (title: “Ready to be Empowered”).

We can’t wait to welcome your little one to ACE!

