

Saint Margaret Mary School
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Pre-School Interest Form

St. Margaret Mary School provides a loving and nurturing environment for our preschool children to learn and grow. Our Preschool Program is characterized by a holistic approach to the growth and development of young children.

A child-centered curriculum, developed by the Diocese of Harrisburg, provides hands-on experiences in language exploration, art, music, science, manipulative math, nutrition, creative movement, and dramatic play. We strive to develop the needs of the “whole child” spiritually, socially, emotionally, cognitively, and physically

We are interested in information for:

_____ Pre-K 3 - Tuesday and Thursday (8:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.)

_____ Pre-K 4/5 – Monday, Wednesday and Friday – all day
(8:00 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.)

_____ Pre-K 4/5 - 5 days a week - half day (8:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.)

_____ Pre-K 4/5 – 5 days a week – all day (8:00 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.)

Family Name _____

Child(ren) Name(s) _____

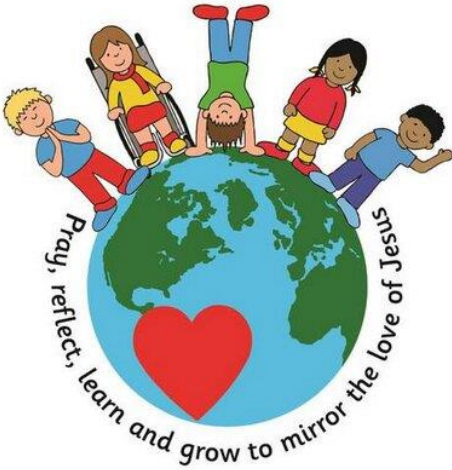
Other children/grade attending St. Margaret Mary



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Pre-K 3:

- Our Preschool curriculum is a **broad framework** that provides many pathways for academic, **social and creative development**, as well as the in-depth exploration that encourages higher-level thinking skills in young children.
- A primary focus of our program is **social and emotional development** of each child. **Social skills** are taught and practiced through all daily activities.
- Our curriculum aligns with families' expectations of **educational excellence**, helping our students grow into confident students who begin to read, write, solve problems and explore scientific concepts through the curriculum guidelines of the Diocese of Harrisburg.
- Teachers provide a mix of independent, teacher-directed, and small group learning experiences and activities.
- **Multi-disciplinary learning centers** in our classrooms encourage developing children's skills in the areas of creative expression, literacy, language, handwriting, math, arts, technology, and dramatic play through active learning.
- We implement curriculum that **engages the individual child** and adapts to every age/ stage.



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Pre-K 4/5

- The prekindergarten program is developmentally based, with a greater emphasis on academic learning and a lot of small group instruction.
- Our program promotes **social and emotional growth** through play, interest centers and academic instruction.
- Our curriculum aims to help children prepare for developmental/academic milestones set for kindergarten in the areas of language and literacy, math, science, technology and the arts.
- A **balanced literacy approach** is the core of our reading program.
- Children **study letter names and sounds** and are encouraged to **read simple words** and books appropriate to their individual reading levels.
- **Writing** is taught through instruction in the formation of letters, words, sentences, and personal journals.
- **Mathematics** is taught with a “hands-on” approach through the use of manipulatives and projects.
- **Science** is a key curriculum area for our prekindergarten students that includes **interactive STEM** enhanced activities.
- **Music & Movement** and **Arts & Crafts** are also integral to this program.
- Teachers provide a mix of independent, teacher-directed, and small group learning experiences and activities.
- Afternoon sessions enhance learning through **interest center activities**.
- Our students share faith and academic activities with their prayer partners in sixth grade.