



Dear Parents:

It is with great pleasure that we welcome our new families to **Rainbow Corner Preschool** at Grace Avenue UMC and say welcome back to our returning families. Rainbow Corner provides a hands-on, play-based preschool education and is an extension of the ministry of the church. The director, teachers, and support staff are dedicated to their craft and approach their work in a loving, conscientious, and prayerful manner. Below is some information pertaining to the start of our upcoming 2021-2022 school year. Enrolled families will periodically get emails from the director repeating this information along with any possible new information.

You are invited to **a Parent Orientation Meeting on Monday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> from 6:00-7:00pm**. Please join us in the church's Sanctuary for a general information session. Childcare **will not** be available during this meeting, so you will need to make appropriate arrangements for at least one parent to attend. We ask that you complete and turn in admission forms, current immunization records, and a health statement prior to this meeting. Beginning August 2<sup>nd</sup>, all Rainbow Corner paperwork may be turned in to the church's front office during summer business hours (M-Th 9:00-3:00). These forms can be found on our website [www.graceavenue.org](http://www.graceavenue.org) on the Rainbow Corner page. We are hoping to offer an online option for paperwork soon, so stay tuned for more information to come. All students (including returning students) must have updated admission forms and immunization records **turned in each year**. If you have previously turned in a health statement for your child, you do not need to turn in another one.

**Meet the Teacher Day(s)** will take place during the mornings of **Wednesday, August 25<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, August 26<sup>th</sup>**. You and your child are invited to explore the classroom and visit with the teachers together for a short 30 minute session. This is your child's time to get acquainted with the classroom and teachers so that he or she will feel more comfortable on their first day of school. We will send out a sign up for you to select a scheduled time during the above dates. Those links will go out in mid to late July.

**The first day of class** will be **Monday, August 30<sup>th</sup> for Monday Enrichment classes or Tuesday, August 31<sup>st</sup> for T/Th and T/W/Th classes** according to the class in which your child is enrolled. **NOTE: THIS IS A RETURN TO PREVIOUS POLICIES: Tuition will be due one month in advance this year. September's Tuition will be due by August 10<sup>th</sup>.** October's tuition will be due by September 10<sup>th</sup>, and so on. Your last tuition payment will be made in April instead of May. Tuition may be paid by check, cashier's check, money order, or credit card. **NO CASH PAYMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

Your child will need the following for school:

A lunch box or container for lunches brought from home. (peanut-free food)

A full-sized backpack (Small backpacks do not hold all the necessary items)

(Items required to fit in the backpack include: lunch, change of clothes, small approved items for naps/rest time, blue folder provided by school)

**A 1" accordion, folding Kindermat nap mat will be required for two year old and three year old classes if you do not have one. NO OTHER MATS WILL BE ALLOWED. You may find these at Target, Walmart, Mardel, Academy Sports, or online.**

Please call or email if you have any questions at 469-294-5380 or [karen@graceavenue.org](mailto:karen@graceavenue.org).

We look forward to seeing you at Orientation/Meet the Teacher.

*Karen Lubbe*

Karen Lubbe, Director of Rainbow Corner