

Redwood City Community Resources to Help Prepare Your Child for Kindergarten

Whether or not your child has attended preschool, he or she could benefit from other activities that can help develop readiness to participate in the kindergarten class and learn. Parents, other family or caregivers can help teach basic academic skills, such as recognizing letters and numbers, and self-care skills such as dressing, feeding, and toileting. But it is helpful for children also to practice these and other skills-- such as following instructions, waiting turns, speaking to peers and other adults-- in other settings. (See "Is Your Child Ready for Kindergarten?" for more about readiness expectations.) **Here are some local Redwood City programs** that you can explore for your child. Some charge fees, some offer scholarships to help with costs, and others are free.

Preschool Programs in Redwood City that will enroll child in last 6 months before kindergarten entry (if space available)

Redwood City School District's Child Development Centers have part-day or full-day preschool classrooms at Fair Oaks, Hawes, Hoover, John Gill, Roosevelt, Selby Lane, and Taft Schools. Call 366-6819 for availability of subsidized or full-cost spaces.

Preschool-- Full-Day

(Many of these offer part-day and part-week schedules.)

WILL ENROLL

Beresford Montessori, 178 Clinton St., RC 94062	367-5027	Feb.-June
Fair Oaks Head Start,** 3502 Middlefield Rd., MP 94025	368-2698	Feb.-Apr.
Footsteps @ City Center Plaza,** 950 Main St., RC 94063	610-0715	Feb.-June
Hoover Children's Center, 303 Twin Dolphin Dr., RC 94065	593-6824	Feb.-July
Kiddie Garden Preschool, 1305 Middlefield Rd, RC 94063	366-3842	Feb.-July
Our Place/Marin Day Schools, 403 Winslow St., RC 94063	363-4939	Feb.-July
R.C. Child Development Program,**2600 Middlefield Rd, RC 94063	780-7520	Feb.-June
Roots N Wings Montessori School, 2323 Euclid Ave., RC 94061	568-1756	Feb.-July
Sequoia Children's Center, 1234 Brewster Ave., RC 94062	369-5277	Feb.-May
St. Matthias Preschool, 533 Canyon Road, RC 94062	367-1320	Feb.

Preschool-- Part-Day

Beth Jacob Preschool, 1550 Alameda de las Pulgas, RC 94061	366-8481	Feb.-Apr.
Fair Oaks Head Start,** 3502 Middlefield Rd., MP 94025	368-2698	Feb.-Apr.
Menlo Park Head Start,** 419 6 th Ave., MP 94025	369-7970	Feb.-Apr.
Family Connections (Parent Co-op)** 414 4 th Ave., RC 94063	568-9894	Feb.-Mar.
Li'l Learners PreSchool, 1120 Roosevelt, R.C. 94061	780-7311	Feb.-May
Peninsula Covenant Preschool, 3560 Farm Hill Blvd., RC 94061	365-8094	Feb.-Mar.
Playschool, 1835 Valota Road, RC 94061	369-4151	Feb.-July
Sequoia Preschool, 233 Topaz St., RC 94062	367-0180	Feb.-May

** indicates programs with subsidized spaces

KICKOFF TO KINDERGARTEN

A 4-week summer program for children who have not attended preschool; operated by Family Connections at Fair Oaks School; enrollment limited; call 568-9894

RECREATION CLASSES

RC Parks and Recreation: Spring/Summer quarter classes and day camps in art, dance, music, sports, science and more: 780-7311 or www.redwoodcity.org/parks

Sequoia YMCA: swimming, sports classes: 368-4168 or www.ymcasv.org/sequoia

OTHER

- Learning Together- Home Visiting support to help prepare children: 208-6167
- RCSD Preschool Special Education—for assessment of possible learning or speech/language delays: 482-5988
- Community events for children or families, sponsored by the City and other organizations. E.g. concerts in the Park/On the Square, Hometown Holidays
- Local attractions such as Marine Science Institute, CuriOdyssey (Coyote Point)Museum, the beaches, parks, and more.

LIBRARY PROGRAMS Free!

- * Weekly storytimes at the Main Library and 3 branches
 - * Use of library books, videos, CDs, parent/caregiver library
 - * Family literacy program
 - * Special events for children and parents
- 780-7018
www.redwoodcity.org/library