

Our Beliefs

- A child has infinite worth because he/she is a child of God.
- A child learns to accept him/herself and others by being accepted, and learns to love by being loved.
- A child learns best through play and this is our focus.

About Our School

We are blessed to have experienced, loving, Christian teachers that have a strong commitment to our school. In hiring for our program we look for the perfect mix of education and experience in our teachers. The small size of our school allows our teachers to establish wonderful relationships with the children in their classes as well as children in other classes. This is truly a place where all the staff knows each child's name. Our size also allows us a lot of flexibility within our program.

Our Typical School Day

Each day is set up to offer your child a balance of emotional, social, physical and intellectual development. All classes are held from **9:00 am—12:30 pm**. *(For an additional fee, extended day options are available for either an 8:30 drop off or 1:00 pick up) Children bring lunch from home each day. **No peanut/nut products of any kind are permitted due to allergy concerns.** All of our classes follow a similar schedule for the school day. The children play in centers upon arrival. This is followed by a morning circle time and morning activities which may include art, enrichment programs, special visitors, etc. The children have outside time on a daily basis and we do have a "rainy day" room as well. Following outside time, the children have lunch in their classrooms. The classes will then have a closing circle time/story time together before packing up for dismissal. Enrichment opportunities are offered for all children. These opportunities increase with the age and ability of the child. All children will participate in weekly

music classes, which will include singing, movement and instruments. The twos, threes, and fours will participate in Chapel twice a month with church staff. Chapel lessons are short, centered around one point and simple to understand. At least twice a month all of the classes participate in a health/movement program called Dilworth Fitness FUNatics, led by one of our staff members. The threes and fours classes will have occasional off-site field trips to community places such as the Nature Museum, Imagination and Discovery Place.

Class Offerings:

• **Toddler/one year olds:**

Must be one year old by August 31, 2010 and walking.

Tuesday /Thursday

*will consider offering a three or four day option if requested.

• **Two year olds:**

Must be two years old by August 31, 2010.

Tues/Thurs

Tues/Wed/Thurs

Mon/Tues/Wed/Thurs

• **Three year olds:**

Must be three by August 31, 2010.

Tues/Wed/Thurs

Mon/Tues/Wed/Thurs

• **Four year olds:**

Must be four by August 31, 2010.

Mon/Tues/Wed/Thurs

Registration Information

Registration for the 2010-2011 school year will begin for currently enrolled families on Monday, February 1st. We will open registration to Dilworth UMC members and the community on Monday, February 8th.

A registration form and a non-refundable registration fee must be returned to our school to complete the registration process. Notification of placement in the program or placement on the waiting list will be sent out by late February.

*Registration Fees

Returning families and DUMC members: \$75 for the first child, \$65 for each additional child.

Non-members: \$100 for the first child \$90 for each additional child

This non-refundable registration fee is fixed and applicable to any time during the school year, regardless of when a child enrolls.

Activity Fees

There will be an annual activity fee for all classes to cover enrichment activities including weekly music classes, science and nature programs, special visitors, field trips and more. The activity fee is due in September each year.

Toddlers	\$35
Twos	\$65
Threes	\$100
Fours	\$100

Tuition Schedule

2 days per week	\$225 per month
3 days per week	\$250 per month
4 days per week	\$270 per month

On May 13, 2010 (or at time of registration if after May 13) an advance payment of one month's tuition is due to accept and confirm your child's placement for next year. This advance tuition payment is non-refundable unless the place can be filled by another child.

Eight remaining tuition payments are due at the first of the each month beginning in September.

A \$10 late fee is charged after the 15th of the month.

Summer Camps 2010

Registration will begin **March 1**

Session One – June 7 – 10

Session Two – July 12 – 15

Session Three – July 19 – 22

Session Four – August 2 - 5

What our parents are saying...

"Before attending DUMC Weekday School, my son had not been left with anyone but family. I can honestly say that because of the positive Christian and family atmosphere of the school, I didn't think twice about leaving him in the care of his teachers. Our experience with DUMC has been everything we hoped for and more!" - Catherine McLester

"Both of my children have attended the DUMC Weekday School and our family has truly enjoyed watching our children develop their individual personalities with the support of the teachers, staff and other families at school. After two years with the school, my daughter had developed a love for school, music, creative expression and making friends. More than anything, I am so happy that she had the chance to get a head start on her love of learning before heading off to kindergarten. And my son, now in his second year with the weekday school, is following the same path - making friends, sharing and learning to love his special time at school.

I can't say enough about the teachers and staff at DUMC - always supportive and looking for ways to make the school day fun and exciting for the children. And also finding ways to share news and updates about the children with parents as well as inviting feedback and ideas from the families. They are truly caring partners in my children's special pre-school years." - Shannon Medina

"I have had children at DUMC Weekday School for nearly 5 years now, and have never wanted to go elsewhere. The small classes, loving teachers and active days are just what I wanted for my children. My current kindergartener found the transition to 'big' school a breeze after the things she learned at DUMC, which made it wonderful for both of us." - Lisa Rasmussen

School Year Calendar

Our school year begins after Labor Day and runs through Memorial Day. We follow the Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools calendar for most holidays and workdays.



ENROLLMENT INFORMATION 2010-2011

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Our Mission

Dilworth UMC Weekday School is a ministry of Dilworth United Methodist Church. Our mission is to provide children a place to learn and grow through active participation in a variety of developmentally appropriate activities in a nurturing Christian environment.