

## Trinity Learning Center

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# Registration Information for the 2025-2026 School Year

Thank you for considering Trinity Learning Center for the social, academic, and spiritual development of your child. We would love to welcome you and your child to our school family!

#### Mission Statement

We are a caring, Christian community that provides learning through play in a structured environment while nurturing the child's uniqueness and positive self-image.

#### Learning Philosophy

We believe that through a partnership with the parents, teachers, and children, Trinity Learning Center provides a wonderful opportunity for early childhood learning and development. At three and four years old, children are reaching out to discover the world around them. Some children run into that new world while others are hesitant. Our role in your child's development is to provide a safe, caring environment for your child to discover and learn as they venture into that new world at their own pace.

At Trinity Learning Center, we focus on three areas of development: social, academic, and spiritual. We view play as the means in which the child can begin to develop a positive attitude about learning and discovery. The children are surrounded with other children while at play, so they learn social skills, such as sharing, personal respect and space, and conflict management. The children's academic skills are developed through daily experiences with reading, writing, math, science, social studies, music, art, and physical activities. We also affirm each child as a child of God. Through our program, we share our faith by nurturing and caring for the children and introducing them to prayer, Christian songs, Bible stories, and the example of love that we find in Jesus Christ.

#### Learning Objectives

Our overall learning objectives are to provide opportunities for your child to develop socially, academically, and spiritually. We use a MD state approved preschool curriculum, <u>The Creative</u> <u>Curriculum</u> for our three and four-year old classes. This curriculum helps teachers build children's

confidence, creativity, and critical thinking skills and promote positive outcomes. We also use additional curriculums to build children's self-regulation and social-emotional skills; This helps them listen, pay attention, manage their behavior, and get along with others.

Our Three-Year-Old Program begins with an emphasis on socialization skills. Taking turns, getting along with others, sharing, self-care, and participating in group activities are among the skills that we cover. Our lessons expose students to letters, numbers, stories, writing, math, science, and social studies skills to help prepare them academically. Weekly Bible stories and visits with the Pastor are included to foster their spiritual growth.

Our Four-Year-Old Program focuses more on the academic skills that will help each child to be ready for their first day of kindergarten while continuing to foster socialization skills and spiritual growth. We create a portfolio for each child to show their growth from the beginning to the end of the year. Included in our curriculum are the kindergarten readiness expectations of the public elementary schools.

#### **Eligibility**

Your child must be three-years old as of September 5, 2025, for the three-year old class <u>or</u> you can speak with us about availability for a later sign-up date. For the four-year-old class your child must be four by September 5, 2025. Children turning four between then and October 31, 2025, will be evaluated for which class to be put in on a case-to-case basis. Each child should be potty trained before the first day of school. Please contact us if you have questions or concerns about this.

#### Registration Fees

There is a \$50.00 per child, per year, non-refundable registration fee due with each application.

#### **Tuition**

#### Monthly tuition fees are as follows:

3-year-old program - \$175 for two half days (Tues and Thurs AM 8:30-11 or PM 11:30-2)

(Option of 3 half days for \$210 may be offered January 2026. This option will depend on enrollment and availability at that time.)

4-year-old program - \$210 for three half days (Mon, Wed, and Fri AM 8:30-11 or PM 11:30-2)

\$290 for five half days (Mon-Fri AM 8:30-11 or PM 11:30-2)

(Options to transition to 5 half days, 3 full days for \$340, or 5 full days for \$470 may be offered January 2026. These options will depend on enrollment and availability at that time.)

Tuition is due on the  $15^{th}$  of the month **prior** to care. Payment is accepted in the form of cash or checks made payable to Trinity Learning Center (TLC). We also offer tuition payment options for debit cards, credit cards, or ACH withdrawal from your bank account.

#### Necessary Paperwork

An updated Maryland State Health Inventory, a Dept. of Health & Mental Hygiene Immunization report and all other paperwork is required for each child by the first Friday of August.

#### Submitting a Registration Application

Registration materials will be given to the currently enrolled families on February 1, 2025 and is open to all families in the community after this date as well. A registration appointment can be made by calling the center to set up a tour. The registration form along with more information about our program is also available on the school website at www.tlclearning.org.

We will be hosting a Family Carnival Open House on Saturday, March 15, 2025, from 10:00-12:00 where we will also be registering students for the fall. There will be activities for the children to enjoy and information for parents about the program. This is a great time to visit and meet teachers and see our classroom.

Classes will be filled according to enrollment priorities in the following order: 1-currently enrolled TLC families and Trinity Lutheran Church members, 2-returning TLC families, and 3-new families. We will send confirmation of your placement on April 1, 2025. Any registrations after April 1st will be filled according to availability on a first come first served basis.

## **Trinity Learning Center**

### 2025-2026 School Year Registration Form

Please register:			·
	Child's Last Name	Child's First Name child to recand write in class.	Preferred Name for cognize
Please mark th	ne first choice and second	choice.	
THREE-YE	AR-OLD CLASS		
2 half day	s Morning: Tuesday and T	hursday 8:30-11:00 am \$175	5/month
2 half day	s Afternoon: Tuesday and	Thursday 11:30-2:00 pm \$17	75/month
if it becomes av	<u> </u>	terested in possibly switching ment and availability at that	g to the following option in January 2026 time).
	R-OLD CLASS		
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•	•	day 8:30-11:00 am \$290/mor	
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Four-Year-Old if it becomes av	! Options: We would be in	•	g to the following option in January 2026
3 full days	s for \$340/month		
5 full days	s for \$470/month		
Parent Name:		Cellphone:	
		Work phone:	
Parent Name:		Cell phone:	
		Work phone:	
Street Address_			·
City		State	Zip

Child's Birth Date:	
Preferred e-mail addresses for us to contact you with important school info and reminders (can be more one – i.e. both parents, grandparents, etc.)	than
Primary e-mail:	
Additional e-mail:	
Additional e-mail:	
Any EMERGENCY health issues (i.e. asthma, food or insect allergies) that may require medication on special care?	site or
Any general health issues (seasonal allergies, etc.) that we should be aware of?	
Younger siblings that may be future TLC students and their birth dates:	
How did you hear about our program?  Church Affiliation	
We are: □ currently enrolled at TLC □ church members of Trinity Lutheran Church □ a return TLC family □ a new TLC family	ning