

# Beginnings Preschool

Beginnings Preschool at Good News UMC

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**Mission Statement:**  
Beginnings Preschool strives to provide a caring and Christian based educational environment to promote the social, emotional, physical, and cognitive development of each child.

**Philosophy:**  
Beginnings Preschool believes that learning in the first 5 years of life is critical to future successes in education and society. Students will be taught a Christ-centered VPK (Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten) approved curriculum using center areas in the classroom and outdoor play. The qualified staff aims to promote the four-child development theories of growth through teacher directed lessons and facilitated independent play. Beginnings Preschool will celebrate and focus on the true meaning of all Christian holidays. Teachers will adapt fundamental Christian beliefs into everyday lessons. We encourage parent involvement and ask that parents pray for the school each day. A newsletter will be sent home monthly to keep parents informed of the exciting updates of Beginnings Preschool.

**Operation Time:**  
School year: Thursday, August 19, 2010 – Wednesday, May 25, 2011  
We follow the Walton County School Schedule for Holidays  
School Day: 9 AM to 2 PM with early drop offered at 8 AM for an additional fee

Daily curriculum used: ELLM/Plus ([www.unf.edu/dept/fie/ellm](http://www.unf.edu/dept/fie/ellm))

We provide Spanish  
& large motor skill development 2-days-per-week and an  
extracurricular activity paired with Christian Curriculum  
3-days-per-week.

General Information:

Teacher-Student

Ratio is 10:1 in each classroom with a “floater” and Director on-site  
daily. Total daily ratio is 30 students to 5 staff.

The students rest for ~ 40 minutes each day (we provide the mat)

You pack a healthy snack & lunch for your child each day

We do pizza day twice monthly – send \$3 (drink, pizza, chips,  
& fruit provided)

For

parent convenience, we provide a drive thru student drop-off and pick-up  
car line