

Zion Lutheran Toddler Care

Information for Admission

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Zion is happy to offer a quality toddler care program for children ages 16- 36 months. The following are the guidelines for this program.

Age: Ages in this room range from 16 months to 36 months. Please note that when your child is 33 months, registration into our preschool and childcare would be an option.

Yearly Calendar: Toddler Care is offered throughout the whole year except on national holidays, the week between Christmas and New Year's Day, and one week during the summer. Toddler care may also be cancelled on days for inclement weather. Please plan toddler care days at least one month in advance.

Hours: The Toddler Care will be open daily from 7:30am-5:30pm.

Cost: You may choose one of the following options for Toddler Care:

- Option 1: \$58/day/child
- Option 2: \$245/week/child

Additional Notes about Cost:

1. All Toddler Care payments are due the Monday following the care week. Failure to make payments in a timely fashion may cause you to lose Toddler Care for your child.
2. There is a two-day minimum per week for Toddler Care.
3. Any day reserved on a regular basis by a full or part-time child must be paid for even if the child is absent. See parent handbook for complete cancellation policies.
4. The late fee for Toddler Care is \$5/15 minutes after 5:30.

Enrollment in Toddler Care: To enroll your child in Toddler Care, please complete the enrollment form and include the non-refundable \$60.00.

Meals: All meals will need to be provided by the family. Children who can eat table food are provided a morning snack and afternoon snack. Parents need to supply cold lunch and a labeled toddler (sippy) cup. We will serve breakfast brought from home until 8:15 AM.

Staff: The Toddler Care Staff ratio is 4:1. The class size will be a maximum of twelve toddlers. The toddler room has a lead teacher that is qualified based on state licensing guidelines.

Daily Schedule Notes:

- The children will sleep on cots. They have a regular rest time between 12:00 and 2:00 PM. If your child still requires a morning nap, we will do our best to accommodate this also. Parents need to provide a small blanket and a small pillow if desired for naps.
- Children have regular scheduled time in the gym for large motor activities.
- Children go outdoors daily, summer and winter, weather permitting. Please provide appropriate clothing such as boots, snow pants, mittens, hats and a warm coat for cold weather and bathing suit for summer. We would be happy to apply parents supplied sunscreen.
- Children experience daily age-appropriate devotions, music and movement, and story time.
- “Jesus Time” is provided daily. Children learn basic Bible accounts, songs, and fingerplays and most importantly learn that Jesus loves them!
- Plenty of time is allowed for free choice playtime.
- Children are provided with small motor opportunities in the form of art activities. Children become familiar with crayons, markers, and glue.
- A regular schedule is followed daily to provide a stable and predictable environment in which your child can feel safe and comfortable.
- Children learn to use cups, feed themselves, and may begin toilet training while in the toddler room. They begin to learn to pick up after themselves and enjoy helping the caregivers.
- Please remember to dress your child in play-speak clothing so that they can participate in all activities freely.