LINCOLNSHIRE COMMUNITY NURSERY SCHOOL
Registration Policies
2027-2028

Current LCNS Families Registration

Regular registration will begin for all current LCNS families beginning at 6am on Wednesday, December 2nd when they receive a PEN that contains a link to online registration forms. Once the online registration is completed, you will receive a confirmation email within 4 days from the registrar alerting you to your registration status of either enrolled in the class or waitlisted. If enrolled, LCNS must receive the $175 non-refundable registration fee and the $325 deposit by Wednesday, December 9, 2026 at 3pm in order to hold your child's spot. If payment is not received by this time, your child's spot in the class will be made available during open registration.

Open Registration

All new LCNS families will be eligible to register via lcns.org beginning at 6am on Friday, December 4, 2026. Once a child is registered via the web, the school must receive the $175 non-refundable registration fee and $325 deposit to be applied towards tuition by Friday, December 11, 2026 at 3:00pm in order to hold your child's spot. If payment is not received by this time, your child's spot in the class will be released and the next child on the waitlist will be accepted. After January 2027, registration will continue throughout the school year by completing the required registration form which can be found on LCNS' website at www.lcns.org and submitting it with the appropriate fees or by contacting Katie Tantillo, Director of LCNS, at 847.945.1450 or director@lcns.org.

Wait List

Once a class is filled, children will be placed on a wait list. Once the family is notified of an available spot in the desired class, the family has one week to notify the school of their decision to accept the spot and pay the tuition deposit. After that one week has expired, the next child on the waitlist, if any, will be offered the available spot.

Registration Process

1. Complete the online registration form.
2. Within 4 days of completion, you will receive an email from the registrar alerting you to your registration status of either enrolled or waitlisted.
3. Pay the registration fee of $500. The fee is made up of a non-refundable $175 registration fee and $325 deposit to be applied towards tuition, per each child being enrolled. (You & Me does NOT require a registration fee upon registration.) Payments can be made by dropping off a check, via Zelle (send to treasurer@lcns.org), or online through the school store. There is a 3% credit card fee ($15) for online payments.

2027-28 Class Offerings

Program	Days	Hours	Age Requirement	Student to Teacher Ratio	2027-28 Annual Tuition
You & Me	Wednesday	9:15 - 10:30 am	15-30 mos by Sept. 1, 2027	caregiver attends	$900
Two's	Tues, Thurs	9:00 - 11:30 am	2 yrs by Sept. 1, 2027	5 to 1	$3,400
Three's (3 days)	Mon, Wed, Fri	9:00 - 11:30 am	3 yrs by Sept. 1, 2027	7 to 1	$4,970
Three's (5 days)	Mon - Fri	9:00 - 11:30 am	3 yrs by Sept. 1, 2027	7 to 1	$6,595
Pre-K AM	Mon - Fri	9:00 - 11:30 am	4 yrs by Sept. 1, 2027	8 to 1	$6,595
Explorers Enrichment	Mon, Wed, Fri	11:30 am - 2:00 pm	3s and Pre-K students	6 to 1	$3,815
Wizards Enrichment	Tues & Thurs	11:30 am - 2:00 pm	3s and Pre-K students	6 to 1	$2,550
Lunch Buddies Enrichment	Mon - Fri	11:30 am - 12:45 pm	3s and Pre-K students	10 to 1	$675 annually, per day

*Classes are subject to change based on enrollment numbers. In the case of cancellation, the entire enrollment fee will be refunded.

*Information will be sent out in the summer concerning our payment options.

LCNS Class Descriptions

You & Me

You & Me is a gentle introduction to the preschool experience for children ages 15 months to 2 years old. With a caregiver by their side, children explore, socialize, and build confidence through music, stories, movement, sensory experiences, and play. These early experiences support communication, social-emotional growth, and fine and gross motor development while helping children become comfortable in a group learning environment.

Twos

The Twos program provides a nurturing environment where two-year-olds begin developing independence while learning alongside teachers and peers. Through imaginative play, sensory experiences, art, music, stories, and hands-on exploration, children build language, motor, cognitive, and social-emotional skills. Children are encouraged to make choices, explore their environment, build relationships, and grow in confidence as they become more independent learners.

Threes

The Threes program encourages children's growing curiosity, creativity, and independence through meaningful play and hands-on exploration. Learning centers, imaginative play, art, music, movement, stories, and science and math experiences support development across all areas of learning. Children strengthen communication, problem-solving, cooperation, and social-emotional skills while becoming confident and enthusiastic learners.

Pre-K

Our Pre-K program helps children build the skills and confidence they need for a successful transition to kindergarten. Through learning centers, imaginative play, hands-on exploration, and small and large group experiences, children develop skills in language and literacy, early math, science, creative arts, physical development, and social-emotional learning. Children are encouraged to think critically, solve problems, communicate their ideas, and collaborate with peers while maintaining the joy and wonder of early childhood.

Explorers Enrichment

Explorers is a nature-based enrichment class that inspires curiosity, creativity, and a love of the natural world. Through hands-on exploration, nature-inspired art, sensory experiences, dramatic play, literature, and movement, children investigate the world around them. Engaging themes encourage discovery, self-expression, problem-solving, and active learning. Designed for children ready for a longer day with multiple transitions, students enjoy Lunch Buddies before class and bring lunch from home.

Wizards Enrichment

Wizards is a creative enrichment class where imagination, art, and science come together. Through imaginative and dramatic play, hands-on science experiments, creative projects, and sensory exploration, children bring ideas to life and discover how the world works. Children are encouraged to collaborate, experiment, problem-solve, and explore their curiosity through playful, wonder-filled themes. Designed for children ready for a longer day with multiple transitions, Lunch Buddies is included in the class fee, and students bring a lunch from home.

Lunch Buddies Enrichment

Children enjoy lunch with friends and participate in gross motor play, building opportunities for social interaction, cooperation, communication, and physical development. Through daily routines, children practice independence, self-help skills, and positive peer relationships in a supportive group setting. Lunch Buddies is included with enrichment enrollment, and all students should bring a clearly labeled lunch from home. Lunch Buddies is offered Monday-Friday for Threes and Pre-K students from 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.