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# Universal Pre-K Fact Sheet

Lewiston-Porter Central YMCA Pre-Kindergarten Program operates in the Primary Education Center.

**The UPK program follows the Lewiston Porter District Calendar for snow days, holidays, recesses etc.**

## **DROP OFF:**

Parents are asked to drop their children off using the side entrance of the PEC building. This door is located at the back of the parking lot to the left of the school. We DO NOT use the main entrance to the school for regular drop off. Teachers will open the door from 8:55-9:05 daily for intake. If they arrive late students must be walked to the front of the building and signed into the main office.

**BUS:** Students have the option to ride the bus to school daily. These arrangements must be made with the district. UPK Staff will get the children off the bus in the morning and bring them into the school. Please fill out the YMCA bus form so we can make sure your child is on our list to get off the bus.

**PLEASE NOTE: Any child entering UPK at age 3 requires a district provided car seat and a bus monitor onboard in order to ride. In some cases, bus monitors are not available to ride all required busses.** If you intend for your child to ride the bus, please be advised we will do our best to ensure all children receive the service. Please make alternate arrangements as a backup until your child turns 4-years-old. You will be notified if your child is eligible to ride the bus at age 3.

## **PICK UP:**

**11:25** Parents are asked to be prompt picking up students from school. The bus is NOT available. Staff will come to the door to let parents in to get their child.

**Extended day option of 3:30:** Parents can pick up their child at the end of the district school day for an additional fee. Bussing is available if you select this option and children will be brought out to the bus to ride home.

**SNACK:** Parents are encouraged to send in a healthy snack their child will eat. If you do not send in a snack one will be provided to the student by the program.

**WHAT SHOULD THEY BRING TO CLASS?** Backpack/folder, as requested by the teacher, and a change of clothes. Children should not bring in any personal toys from home. Each classroom has additional rules and special days to bring items from home to share. This will be given by the classroom teacher.

## **ACADEMICS:**

The program follows the OWL Curriculum (Opening the World of Learning) which continues in the district. Students also partake in the Second Step curriculum supporting social emotional learning.

**Assessment:** The teachers evaluate the children using Brigance assessment tools and this will be reported to the parents at conference time. Parents complete the Ages and Stages Questionnaire to assess social emotional learning. The ASQ:SE will be emailed to each family for completion.

**EXTENDED DAY:** Program is offered to all students registered in the UPK program. There is a fee associated with the program. In the extended day program, they eat lunch, participate in enrichment activities, story time, rest time, socialization, arts & crafts and more!

The fee is monthly Part Time (1-3 days per week) or Full Time (4-5 days per week)

**EXTENDED DAY WITH BEFORE AND AFTERSCHOOL CARE:** You may drop off as early as 7:00am pick up by 6:00pm. This program is also run in the PEC building and offers extra care to our families. The fee for this program differs from just the extended day fee.