

A Typical Day at Wooddale Community Nursery School

FREE PLAY

The school day begins with an hour of free play time when children will benefit from playing with the entire group of children, all ages together. At this time, they will have opportunities for:

- Large motor activities (such as climbing, sliding, riding trikes and turtle racers).
- Quieter activities (such as puzzles, looking at books, building with blocks and Legos, playing with Playmobil).
- Dramatic play where children can play dress-up or play house with a play kitchen and housekeeping area.
- Art activity during this free time. The art activity allows the children time to be creative but also requires them to learn to follow the teacher's directions.
- At the end of free play, children work together with the teachers to clean up the play area and put away toys.

MUSIC

During this time the children will sing songs, listen to stories, act out stories and songs, move to a variety of music, participate in rhythm band activities, and learn to follow directions in a group. Music can last from 15 to 25 minutes, depending on the children's interests and needs. The children will help pick up the music area.

SNACK and SMALL GROUP TIME

The children will break into four small groups, one for each teacher. During this time the children will have a snack and a chance to socialize during snack and show their "show and tell," listen to stories, play a group game, and take part in age-appropriate activities.