



Admission/Enrollment

- An Open House will be held on a Saturday in January. Teachers will be available to meet children and parents and answer questions.
- Registration forms will be given out at the open house. These forms can be returned through the regular mail.
- Observation visits will be held soon after the open house, to give parents an opportunity to observe a class in session.
- Eligibility will be determined by the following:
 - *Age of the child
 - *Order application is received
 - *The readiness of the child as determined by parents and director.

A non-refundable registration fee will be required with your application



Our Mission

As a church school, we tend to the spiritual needs of our children through song, bible stories, prayer before snack, Chapel time, and Christian values with our Pastor.

Ashton Christian Preschool is a non-profit, non-denominational Preschool which believes that all children are gifts from God. We welcome all children regardless of race, sex, religion or national origin. Established as a mission over 35 years ago by the Ashton United Methodist Church.

Licensed by the Maryland State Department of Education



Ashton Christian Preschool

September through May
Ages 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ - 5
Half day classes
Full day classes

17314 New Hampshire Avenue
Ashton, MD 20861
301-774-7113
Mary Landsman, Director



Program Philosophy

"A place to learn and explore together"

Our program is designed to nurture the development of each child as a unique and special individual created in the image of God. Through interaction with others, children learn to express their ideas and respect themselves while building self-esteem and social skills.

Every aspect of our program is geared toward developing an environment where children are encouraged to explore, problem solve, discover, and practice newly emerging skills. Our goal is to create a special environment of unconditional love, support and respect for the children.

Our activities include science, language arts, mathematical concepts, arts & crafts, music and movement, small and large motor development, sensory and dramatic play, simple cooking, and field trips to the community to explore the world around us.



Our Staff

Ashton Christian Preschool classes are staffed with highly qualified and experienced teachers. They are chosen for their warmth, love and understanding of young children, as well as their educational backgrounds. All classes are staffed with a teacher and co-teacher.

The staff at Ashton Christian Preschool strives to give the children the best learning experience possible. Our teachers meet the requirements for Early Childhood Education set by the Maryland State Department of Education and the Child Care Administration.

All staff members are certified in CPR and First Aid, and are required to take continuing classes in Early Childhood Education.

Our teacher-student ratio is a maximum of 1-9 which allows for individual attention and education.



A Typical Day

- Arrival- Settling in with friends & Fine motor skills
- Circle Time- Group sharing, Stories, Language and Songs
- Centers-Free choice of Art, Science, Math, Blocks, Dramatic Play and Creative Exploration
- Clean-up Time- All children Participate in putting the room in order
- Music Time- Records, singing, instruments, movement and acting out dramatics
- Snack Time- Snack is provided by families on a rotating basis
- Book Look & Story Time- Exploring library books and listening to stories
- Outdoor Time-Games, activities and free play time on the playground

*Our day includes both quiet and active times, cooperative play and teacher directed activities