

# TUMPS

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## TUMPS Programs

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TUMPS uses Ohio's Early Learning & Development Standards in the planning of our preschool day. Ohio's Early Learning Content Standards (a consistent set of expectations for learning) include Social and Emotional Development, Approaches Toward Learning, Cognition and General Knowledge (including Mathematics, Science and Social Studies), Language and Literacy Development, and Physical Well-Being and Motor Development. These standards serve as a framework for designing and implementing meaningful curricular and intentional learning activities.

Our teachers have been trained to utilize the Foundations Pre-K program in the classrooms. Foundations is a multisensory, structured language program being used in the Upper Arlington and Grandview city schools. Pre-K Foundations offers the children an introduction to the letter-sound and writing skills that they will be taught beginning in Kindergarten. Foundations supports students' emerging understanding of the alphabetic principles of letter-sound associations and alphabetical order, and the written language skill of manuscript letter formation.

Play is an integral part of our daily program. Children are encouraged during free play to explore a variety of creative experiences. Play fosters a child's social and emotional growth and development as they learn to become a part of a caring community. Many hands-on activities to develop small motor skills as well as art, science, and dramatic play are included in a preschool day. An outdoor play area with climbing equipment, as well as an indoor activity room, promotes large muscle development.

Language and readiness skills are fostered through sharing, songs, stories, finger plays, table toys and group activities. Math and science skills are developed through many daily activities such as counting, matching, number puzzles, sorting, experiments, cooking and a wide variety of group activities. Technology is used as a tool to enhance children's knowledge of the world around them, such as watching baby Eaglets hatch, visiting the International Space Station and exploring the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium.

Once a month, TUMPS provides an additional Art Lady, Music Lady, Library Lady and Therapy dog to enhance the children's learning experience.

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## Classes

### Enrollment Age Requirements:

**Tykes** must be age 18 months by September 30.

**Tots** must be age 2 by March 1 preceding fall entry.

**3's** must be age 3 by September 30.

4's should be age 4 by September 30.

**Starflight** should be age 5 by September 30 and 4 year olds who are recommended by their teacher.

### **Tykes/attend with parent or caregiver**

Tykes is a weekly one-hour class offered for the **18 month old with** a parent or caregiver. Children must be 18 months old by September 30 of the entering year. A Tykes class consists of free play, songs and finger plays, a story, an art activity and movement activities.

### **Tots**

The Tots class meets 2 days a week without the parent. It is for **2 1/2 year olds** and **younger 3 year olds**. This class is limited to 14 children with 2 teachers. **The child must be 2 years old by March 1** of the entering year. The class activities are an extension of the Tykes program with longer free play, large muscle play and a snack. We include an art lady, music lady, library lady and therapy dog visit once a month. Children should be working on toilet training.

### **3 Year Old**

Classes for 3 year olds are offered 3 mornings a week with a class ratio of 2 teachers to up to 18 children. **Children must be 3 by September 30** of the entering year. The daily schedule consists of free play, circle time including songs, books and games, snack time, sharing, and large muscle play. Science, math, writing, and language skills are incorporated daily. We include a music lady, art lady, library lady and therapy dog visit once a month.

### **3/4 Year Old PM**

Classes for 3 and 4 year olds are offered 4 afternoons a week with a class ratio of 2 teachers to up to 18 children. **Children must be 3 by September 30** of the entering year. The daily schedule consists of free play, circle time including songs, books and games, snack time, sharing, and large muscle play. Science, math, writing, and language skills are incorporated daily. We include a music lady, art lady, library lady and therapy dog visit once a month.

### **4 Year Old**

Classes for 4 year olds are offered 4 or 5 mornings a week. Class ratio is 2 teachers to up to 18 children. **Children should be 4 by September 30** of the entering year. The daily schedule consists of free play, circle time including songs, books and games, snack time, sharing, and large muscle play. There is an emphasis on kindergarten readiness with pre-reading skills, math concepts, science, and social studies awareness. Science, math, writing, and language skills are incorporated daily. We include a music lady, art lady, library lady and therapy dog visit once a month.

## 4/5 Year Old/Starflight

Starflight is an extension of the 4 year old program for those who would like an extra year of building additional skills. It meets 5 mornings a week. Class ratio is 2 teachers to up to 18 children. This program is open to **children who will be 5 by September 30** of the entering year and **4 year olds who are recommended** by their 3 year old teacher to attend. The daily Starflight schedule focuses on pre-kindergarten academics including science, math, writing and language skills while expanding socialization and independence skills. We include a music lady, art lady, library lady and therapy dog visit once a month.

### Class Schedule

Age	Program Days	Time	Tuition*
<b>Tykes</b> – 18 months attend with parent or caregiver	Friday	9:00-10:00 AM or 10:30-11:30 AM	\$180/semester
<b>Tots</b> (Age 2 by 3/1) 2 days/week	Monday and Wednesday	9:00 - 11:30 AM	\$170/monthly
	Tuesday and Thursday	9:00 - 11:30 AM	\$175/monthly
<b>3 yr old</b> 3 days/week	Mon, Wed and Fri AM	9:00-11:30 AM	\$220/month
	Tue, Thurs and Fri AM	9:00-11:30 AM	\$225/month
<b>3 &amp; 4 yr old</b> 4 days/week	Mon, Tues, Wed & Thurs PM	12:45 – 3:15 PM	\$260/month
<b>4 yr old</b> 4 days/week	Mon,Tues,Wed,&Thurs AM	9:00-11:30 AM	\$260/month
<b>4 yr old</b> 5 days/week	Monday - Friday AM	9:00-11:30 AM	\$295/month
<b>Starflight</b> <b>5 year old</b> (5 days/week)	Monday - Friday AM	9:00 –11:30 AM	\$295/month

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\* **Your monthly tuition now includes all art materials, daily snacks, and technology fees.**

\*\***Tuition rates vary depending on how many sessions each class meets per year.**

## **Early Morning Drop Off – (TBD)**

We also offer an **Early Morning Drop Off** . You can drop off your TUMPS student in the assigned room at 8:15 am and he/she will be taken to his/her classroom at 9:00 am. The cost is **\$10** per day and you will sign up for September-December. A new sign up will be available for January – May. There will be a separate form at registration.