

Goals for Children

- Engage them in a variety of stimulating activities that invite creativity and a positive attitude towards learning.
- Have a positive first experience with school.
- Learn to develop a positive self esteem and self image.
- Gain independence.
- Develop verbal, cognitive, fine and gross motor skills.
- Build social skills as they develop friendships with each other and interact with adults.



Goals for Parents

- Be involved in your child's education and daily interactions with other children and parents.
- Find reassurance in your child's first school experience as positive, beneficial and fun!
- Share with your child his/her earliest achievements.
- Become friends with other parents who share a common philosophy.

We invite you and your child to experience Bakersfield Play Center.

Since 1952, BPC has been Bakersfield's premier preschool where children, parents and teachers *all* share in the learning experience.



Don't want to miss the fun!

Call us today at...

661-325-4064

Bakersfield Play Center

*A Non-Profit Co-Operative
Parent-Participation Preschool
For Children Ages 2 - 6*

*Come experience the difference of
Learning Through Play!*



*Serving Bakersfield's children
Since 1952*

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What is a Cooperative Preschool?

A co-op preschool is owned and administered by enrolled families. BPC parents take active roles on the board of directors as well as participate daily as aides in the classrooms. Working with professionally trained teachers, parents are able to provide a positive and unique first school experience for their child.



Why Should I Choose Bakersfield Play Center?

- We provide a safe and nurturing environment where children can explore reading, art, drama, science and mathematical concepts through play.
- Children are encouraged to engage each other respectfully.
- BPC families connect because we work closely together.
- We provide a variety of hands-on learning experiences, both for children and adults.
- Continuing child development education is offered at each monthly parent meeting.
- **Our child to adult ratio is 5:1.** (Most preschools have a 12:1 ratio.)
- Our tuition is affordable.
- We offer discounts to families with more than one child enrolled.
- Parents may choose between participating & non-participating.
- Children are not required to be toilet trained.

Our Philosophy

Since 1952, the primary focus of our school is enhancing the development of the whole child. Our child-centered philosophy allows children to learn through play experiences and exploring concepts at their own developmental pace.



Our Curriculum

In each class, the teacher acts as the facilitator and guides in a hands-on approach in learning through play. Daily activities are designed to stimulate social, emotional, cognitive and physical growth through art, drama, science, music, stories and free-flow play. Fine and gross motor skills are developed through a wide variety of carefully chosen toys, games, puzzles, and activities, projects, climbing apparatus and riding equipment.



For 2 & 3 year olds:

We encourage socialization skills such as sharing, cooperation and communication. The children are also exposed to shapes, colors, numbers and letters. We have a full hygiene program to help kids before, during and after they are potty trained.

For 4, 5 & 6 year olds:

We expand the child's knowledge of shapes, colors, numbers, and letters, in addition to introducing literacy, in preparation for kindergarten. In addition, children interact in dramatic play where they enhance their creativity and develop problem-solving skills.

School Schedule

The school year begins the last week of August and continues through May. Bakersfield Play Center observes the same holidays and breaks as the Bakersfield City School District. Additionally, we provide a summer program in June.

Normal school hours are 9:00am to 12:00pm, Monday through Thursday. Children enrolled in the 2 & 3 Class may attend from two to four days per week. Children enrolled in the 4, 5 & 6 Class are expected to attend four days a week, in preparation for kindergarten.



Registration and Tuition

A \$135 non-refundable registration fee is charged annually, per family. This fee is prorated upon enrollment date.

Monthly tuition is based upon a participating or non-participating status and the number of days enrolled.

Participating Families

2 days per week	\$120 per month
3 days per week	\$130 per month
4 days per week	\$140 per month

Non-Participating Families

2 days per week	\$240 per month
3 days per week	\$260 per month
4 days per week	\$280 per month

2009/2010 calendar year