

## **SBCA Early Childhood | FAQs**

### **What age does your program begin?**

- Students are eligible to begin at “2.9,” two years and nine months, as long as they are fully potty trained.

### **What time is the school day?**

- The school day for Early Childhood runs from 8:15-2:15 (K2-6 is 8:00-2:30). Half Days run from 8:15-11:30. Extended day if available beginning at 7:00 am and until 5:30 pm.

### **What are the different program options for K0 (3 years old)?**

- The K0 programs include 3 Full Days (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 8:15-2:15), 5 Full Days, or 5 Half Days (8:15-11:30).

### **What does the typical school day look like?**

- Students are greeted each day in the school yard by their teacher. They then put their things away in their cubby and gather on the rug for morning meeting. Throughout the day, they will spend time reading stories out loud, participating in centers, building and creating, playing outside, and learning through play as well as interactions with classmates and teachers. Each day, there is a defined snack and lunch time, as well as short rest.

### **Should my student pack a lunch?**

- Yes, your student should bring a lunch, snack, and water bottle to school each day. The school does offer milk (whole, skim, chocolate) for \$50/year.

### **What if my student does not nap?**

- Rest time is a time where students have down time to themselves to their mats. During this time several children sleep, however, many play on their mats with a small toy or look at books quietly.

### **What curricula do you use?**

- Our classroom planning is done with the guidance of the Lynch Foundation. We use OWL (Opening the World of Learning) for Literacy and Building Blocks in Math. Our students extend their learning beyond the classroom through Spanish class, Library time, play in the gym and outside, as well as exploring and creating in the IDEA Lab.

### **What if my child is not potty trained by the first day of school?**

- We understand that potty training is different for every child. If they are not potty trained, please reach out to your teacher to arrange a later start date. Additionally, we know accidents happen. Please send your child to school with a labeled change of clothes.

### **My child turns two years and nine months after the first day of school, when can they start?**

- If your child turns two years and nine months before February 1st, they can be considered a late start. Late starts are coordinated with the school and classroom teacher.