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*Welcome to Farmington Schools!*

*District #192*

**Winter 2015-16**



**Programs Include:**

- ▶ Wee Tigers
- ▶ Stepping Stones
- ▶ Time for Kids
- ▶ Speaking of Kids

PROGRAMS FOR  
EARLY LEARNING



# What's Inside...

Farmington Public Schools have so much to offer children before they enter Kindergarten. Our Early Learning Brochure is a place to find resources for parents and children ages birth to Pre K 5.



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# Choosing an ECFE Class...

*Join in the fun!*

## **Farmington ECFE!**

**ECFE – A place for families to grow together and learn together.**

### **What ECFE class is best for you?**

Choosing an ECFE class to attend with your child is easy. Aside from our Drop In classes and Special Events, all of our affordable ECFE classes meet once a week for 5 to 10 weeks. There are day and evening options for all preschool age groups, and many classes have sibling care for preschool siblings. Our classes fall into four categories: non-separating, gradual separating, separating, and parent online classes. Check out our classes through page 13 to see what classes work for you. Note the category of each class in the description.

To determine class fee, see **Fee Scale** on page 23.

Turn to page 4 to see the format of a typical class.



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#### **Non-separating classes:**

- Parents and children stay together in the classroom for the entire duration of the class.
- Parents remain in the same room with children and interact with them in varied learning and play activities.
- A licensed Parent Educator leads discussion on topics such as child growth and development, transition to parenthood, and how children learn and play.
- Discussion, sharing, and support take place within sight and sound of playing children. Sibling care is available for preschool siblings.

#### **Parenting online classes:**

Online classes are offered in 5 to 6 week sessions. An ECFE Parent Educator will guide participants through the book or topic, using online tools for discussion and interaction. The discussion will take place over the course of several days. Access is available any time of day or night to fit your schedule. Registration is required; every person who signs up will be granted access to the website through their email address. CEU's are available with participation.

#### **Gradual separating classes:**

- Parents and children follow the same format as listed in separating classes, except that parents start out meeting in the same room with the children and then move to a separate room several weeks into the session.
- Separate meetings begin with only short periods of time away from the children.
- Gradually, the periods are lengthened as children adjust to the separation. Babies under 6 months of age are welcome to come to class with parents. Sibling care is available for preschool siblings.

#### **Sibling care:**

Sibling Care (if needed) is available on a Sliding Fee scale for children from birth through Pre K 5's who are not involved in class. Starting at 6 months of age, siblings need to go to sibling care. Newborns and young babies are welcome to come to class with parents.

#### **Separating classes:**

- Parents and children interact and explore activities together for about half of class time. This provides an opportunity to share, learn new ideas, games, songs and activities that can be used at home.
- Following interaction time, parents meet in a separate classroom with a licensed Parent Educator for discussion of topics related to child development and parenting. They share ideas, information and experiences with one another, gaining knowledge and encouragement.
- While parents meet with a licensed Parent Educator, children participate in age-appropriate activities with a licensed Early Childhood teacher and teaching assistant. Children are provided experiences which encourage social, emotional, physical and cognitive development. Nervous about the age span in this class? No worries! There are enough staff to assure that all children are safely engaged.

# ECFE Classes...

## Typical ECFE Class

### Has Three Segments and Sibling Care

ECFE provides quality learning opportunities and resources for parents and their preschool children.

- 1 Parent-Child Together Time** – Time in the children's classroom for parents and children to play and learn together. Most classes will have an entrance and exit period of time, so you and your child will not feel rushed.
- 2 Parent Discussion Time** – Parents in separation classes will move to another room to discuss parenting topics with other parents and a licensed Parent Educator. The amount of time separated will vary by class.
- 3 Child to Child Time** – Children will have time to play with peers and enjoy activities prepared by a licensed Early Childhood teacher.

**Sibling Care** – Childcare is offered to siblings of class participants birth to Pre-kindergarten 5.





# Infants & Toddlers

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## Understanding Your Baby's Cues!

### Newborns – 10 months

Being a parent of a baby is an exciting as well as a challenging experience! Tummy time gives your child a chance for muscle development and growth. Talk about activities that you can use to encourage your child to develop their muscles. You will have opportunities to talk about experiences as a parent and time for questions and sharing ideas about parenting. Parents and babies do not separate for this class. Registration is necessary for childcare of preschool siblings.

W Dec 2- Jan 13 \$10  
9:30-11 am MVES-CE-Rm 107

#EW105

**Newborns – 10 months as of Nov 1**  
**No Separation No class Dec 30**

## Providing a Safe Environment for Your Baby!

### Newborns – 10 months

With the changes babies go through so quickly, it can be a time of learning for both babies and parents. Discuss brain development, communication cues, language development and forming a healthy attachment. Join other parents and their babies for special parent-baby activities. Parents and babies do not separate for this class. Registration is necessary for childcare of preschool siblings.

W Jan 27 - Feb 24 \$10  
9:30-11 am MVES-CE-Rm 107

#EW106

**Newborns – 10 months as of Jan 1**  
**No Separation**

## Baby Shower

### Newborns – 10 months

Join the ECFE staff and other parents for a “baby shower”. You will be showered with resources from the area and information for new parents. Each baby will leave with a bag of goodies! Registration is necessary for childcare of preschool siblings.

W Jan 20 Free Class  
9:30-11 am MVES-CE Rm 107

#EW100

**Newborns – 10 months as of Jan 1**  
**No Separation**

## Tiny Tots

### 10-17 months

Have fun participating together in planned age-appropriate activities designed to promote and stimulate learning and social skills as well as language and motor development. Parents and children will not separate for a formal parent discussion time; an informal discussion time will be available during class. Registration is necessary for childcare of preschool siblings.

W Dec 2-Feb 24 Fee Scale C  
9:30-11:30 am MVES-CE-Rm 105

#EW110

**Must be 10-17 months as of Nov 1**  
**No Separation No class Dec 30**



Find us on  
**Facebook**

*The class you wish  
to attend is full?  
Call our office and  
put your request on  
our interest list.*

**(651) 460-3200**

## Running Late?

No worries! Our classes have a built in entrance and exit time so that you and your child will not feel rushed.

Entrance time is the first  
15 minutes of class!



# Winter Classes

*The class you wish to attend is full? Call our office and put your request on our interest list.*

**(651) 460-3200**

*See "Typical ECFE class" for class format on page 4.*

## Around 2

### 18 to 28 months

This class is for children almost two or just turning two. Your child is full of energy and curiosity and that's terrific! This child is not yet two but is working on becoming a little person with his/her own ideas. It's the age of getting into everything and the "me do it" independence. Parents will go to a separate room for discussions on topics related to raising your terrific tot. Registration is necessary for childcare of preschool sibling. This class has gradual separation.

Th Dec 3 - Feb 25      Fee Scale B  
9:20-11:50 am      MVES-CE-Rm 105  
#EW175

**18-28 months as of Nov 1**  
**Gradual Separation**  
**No class Dec 24, 31**

## Twos

### 24 to 36 months

Twos are growing fast and love to explore! This class will focus on the unique as well as challenging stages of the two-year old. There will be activities that will be challenging and are appropriate for a two year old. Parents will go to a separate room for discussion time. The topics that will be discussed will pertain to the fast changing two. Registration is necessary for childcare of preschool siblings. See "A Typical ECFE Class" for class format page 4.

T Dec 1 - Feb 23      Fee Scale A  
9-11:30 am      MVES-CE Rm 112  
#EW200

**24-36 months as of Nov 1**  
**Separation      No class Dec 29**

## 3's and Up

### 36 to 60 months

This is a time of learning to be social and investigating the world. Your child will be given the chance to explore, to experiment, and to interact with others. Circle time will include calendar and other preschool learning opportunities. In your Parent Discussion group, you will be able to choose topics of interest to the group, along with learning how to help your child in the exploration. Parent(s)/guardian(s) will go to a separate room for discussion time. Sibling care available and registration is required.

Th Dec 3 - Feb 25      Fee Scale A  
9-11:30 am      MVES-CE Rm 112  
#EW300

**Must be 3 as of Nov 1**  
**Separation      No class Dec 24 & 31**





# Topic & Specialty

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## Mom's Escape!

### Birth to PreK 5

Do you ever want some time just for you! Just for a little while, take a break from wiping tiny noses and cutting off the crusts. In this class you'll have the opportunity to connect with other parents and discuss topics that help you feel like a person again. Find out how your kids benefit when you take time for yourself. Kids will be having fun with the Early Childhood staff while the parents have their discussion. Registration is necessary for each child attending the class. Registration is required for all children attending.

*No sibling care available.*

F Dec 4 – Feb 26      Fee Scale A  
9:20-11:50 am      MVES-CE Rm 107  
#EW450

**Separation**      **No Class Dec 25 & Jan 1**  
**This is a Family Fee Class**

## Chefs in Training

### Birth to PreK 5

This class will go through the cooking basics for you and your child. You will measure, mix, and taste your way through the class. Your class will explore healthy eating and trying new foods. Parents will separate and discuss recipes and other topics that pertain to meal time. Registration is required for all children attending.

*No sibling care available.*

M Nov 30 – Jan 11      Fee Scale E  
9-11:30 am      MVES-CE Rm 105  
#EW415 A

**No Class Dec 28**

M Jan 25 – Feb 22      Fee Scale E  
9-11:30 am      MVES-CE Rm 105  
#EW415 B

**No Class Feb 15**

## Mother Goose on the Loose!

### Birth to PreK 5

Rhyming is so important for children when learning language. One of the best ways to help your child to identify rhyming is by Nursery Rhymes. As a class the parents will separate and talk about those things that you as a parent can do to help your child in their pre-reading skills which start developing as toddlers. The children will have fun while learning about rhyming. Registration is necessary for each child attending the class.

T Dec 1 – Feb 23      Fee Scale A  
9:20-11:50 am      MVES-CE Rm 105  
#EW435

**Separation**      **No class Dec 29**  
**This is a Family Fee Class**

## Balancing

### Birth to PreK 5

Parents find that life is a challenge to balance all of the needs of a family. This class is designed to help parents stabilize the family routines. Parents will separate and join together to discuss the "challenge" of a busy family. While parents are in discussion time the children will play and learn with an Early Childhood teacher. Registration is necessary for each child attending the class.

T Dec 1 – Feb 23      Fee Scale A  
12:30-3 pm      MVES-CE Rm 105  
#EW500

**Separation**      **No class Dec 29**  
**This is a Family Fee Class**



## SATURDAY CLASS

### Just Plain Fun!

#### Birth to PreK 5

Children learn so much when they explore the world together. Come for a morning of just plain fun! There will be a variety of activities and learning games for parents and children to interact with each other and members of the class. Parents will have a short discussion time while the children continue to play with the Early Childhood team who will be fostering children's creativity, guiding behavior and providing language rich experiences for young children. *No sibling care available.*

S Jan 9 – Feb 13      Fee Scale C  
9-11:30 am      ISC Rm 1  
#EW710

**Separation**      **No class Jan 30 & Feb 1**  
**This is a Family Fee Class**

## Sibling Care

Sibling care is available for preschool siblings. Each child must be registered separately prior to the start of the class.

Fees are for the entire session.

**See fee scale page 23.**

# Evening Classes

## Raising Young Scientists: Space & Magnets

### Birth to PreK 5

Come and explore, observe, investigate, and experiment with your child in this hands-on science class. Together, experience magnetic attraction, space exploration and more. This class will focus on the skills that preschoolers need to learn. Parents in a discussion time will also learn how to assist their children with this exploration.

*No sibling care available.*

M Nov 30 – Jan 11      Fee Scale D  
6-7:30 pm      MVES-CE Rm 105

#EW607

**Separation**

**No class Dec 28**

*This is a Family Fee Class*

## Home Made Fun!

### Birth to PreK 5

Are you looking for ideas to do this winter with your children? How about craft ideas that don't break the bank? This class will give you the ideas and resources that you are looking for. Find ways to have fun in a simple and inexpensive way. See "A Typical ECFE Class" for class format page 4.

*No sibling care available.*

M Jan 25 – Feb 22      Fee Scale D  
6-7:30 pm      MVES-CE Rm 105

#EW608

**No class Feb 15**

*This is a Family Fee Class*

## 2's and 3's

### 24 to 48 months

What a wonderful time in your child's life. Everything is new and exciting! Learn how a child at the age of 2 thinks and how you can keep peace in the household when your child is showing their various emotions. Discuss ways you can encourage your child in a positive way. The parents will separate for discussion time.

*Sibling care is available and registration is required.*

Th Dec 3 – Feb 25      Fee Scale C  
6-7:30 pm      MVES-CE Rm 105

#EW640

**Separation**

**No class Dec 24, 31**

## Valentine Fun!

### Birth to PreK 5

Come celebrate Valentine's Day! Make cards, eat snacks, play dress-up, play games!

W Feb 10  
\$5 per child over 9 months  
6-7:30 pm      MVES-CE Rm 105

#EW905

**No Separation**

**Adults Free,**

*Pre-registration required!*





## Dad and Me

### Birth to PreK 5

These special classes are designed just for Dads and their children. Spend relaxed, unstructured time with your child. The night will be filled with play, laughter and information that will help you be a better dad. This is a flextime class: Come when you can, leave when you must! Haven't had time for dinner? Bring along something to eat and we will provide a place for you and your child to enjoy eating together. A short discussion time will be held at 7 pm. Childcare is not available. Does your family go to another ECFE class? Sign up for another on-going 10 week ECFE class and the Dad's class is \$10.

T Dec 1 – Feb 23      Fee Scale C  
6:30-8 pm      MVES-CE Rm 105  
#EW605

**Separation**      **No class Dec 29**  
**This is a Family Fee Class**

## Online group discussion for all adults, parents & teachers

### Everyday Parenting

An ECFE Parent Educator will guide a lively conversation about different parenting styles and your child's temperament. The Parent Educator will use online tools for discussion and interaction. Access is available any time of day or night to fit your schedule. Join your friends and neighbors in this convenient way of learning. Registration is required; every person who signs up will be granted access to the website through their email address. CEU's available.

Jan 11 – Feb 12      Fee \$12 per person (no fee scale)

**Email address is required at registration**      5 week course  
#EW815



### Run & Romp Gym Time!

Feeling cooped up? Come and run off some of that energy! We will provide riding toys, scooters, balls and other play equipment. There will be a focus on learning to crawl, throw, jump, skip, bounce, and pedal. Activities will change from week to week. Parents are required to supervise their own children the whole time they are in attendance.

Meadowview Elementary School Gym (MVES)  
Fridays 6-8:15 pm  
Nov 6 – Feb 26

**No class Nov 27, Dec 25, Jan 1**



# Events

## Halloween Walk

**Friday October 30 5:30-7 pm**  
**Dodge Middle School**

*Free Admission*

*Free, Safe Candy*

*Wear your costumes!*

*Bring a trick or treat bag and  
 a non-perishable food item for  
 the Farmington Food Shelf.*

### Sponsored by:

- Farmington Community Education
- City of Farmington Parks and Recreation
- Local Farmington Businesses



## Once a Month Family Event

**Birth to PreK 5**

*Winter getting you down? Come  
 and join the fun once a month on  
 Mondays! There will be messy art,  
 science experiments, games, songs  
 and more. Come for one event or all.  
 Parents will remain with the children  
 the entire class time. Activities will  
 be for ages birth to PreK 5.*

Monday  
 December 14  
 Fee \$3 per child  
 1:30- 3pm MVES-CE Rm 105  
**#EW525**

Monday  
 January 11  
 Fee \$3 per child  
 1:30- 3pm MVES-CE Rm 105  
**#EW535**

Monday  
 February 8  
 Fee \$3 per child  
 1:30- 3pm MVES-CE Rm 105  
**#EW545**

## Early Learning Advisory Council

The Early Learning Advisory Council is in need of parents or guardians who are willing to volunteer to attend the Advisory Council meetings. The goal is to guide and advise the Early Learning programs of Farmington and to aid in providing quality programming to our young children.

### Qualifications needed to serve as an Advisory Council Member:

- ▶ Must be a parent or guardian of a child currently in the ECFE, School Readiness, Stepping Stones or Wee Tigers programs.
- ▶ Must be willing and able to attend the scheduled meetings.
- ▶ Must be willing to give advice and support to the ECFE, School Readiness, Stepping Stones, and Wee Tigers Staff

**The first meeting is scheduled for 7-8 pm November 9, 2015, Meadowview Community Education Office, 6100 195th St West, Farmington.**



# Drop In, Stay & Play Classes

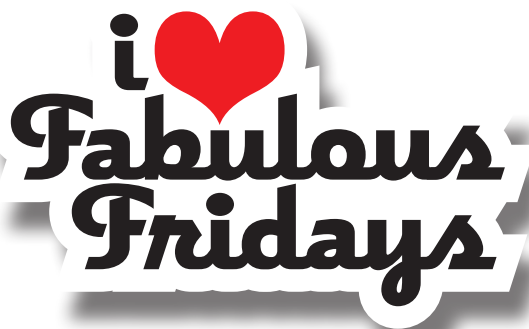
## Fabulous Fridays

### Birth to PreK 5

Drop In and Play classes are a time for parents to enjoy playing with their children in our ECFE children's classroom. Parents and children will enjoy working on activities together such as painting, play-dough, sensory, and art activities.

*ECFE staff will be present, but this is not a formal class.*

F Begins Dec 8 - Feb 26  
9-11:45 am MVES-CE Rm 105  
No class Dec 25 & Jan 1



- ▶ *No registration required.*
- ▶ *Families are welcome on a first come, first served basis.*
- ▶ *Parents are responsible for the supervision in this class. Come when you can, leave when you must.*
- ▶ *Activities are for children birth to PreK 5. Sorry, no school age children may participate. Sibling care not available.*
- ▶ *Admission \$3 per child, family charge \$9 (no charge for children under 12 months) Parents are Free!*
- ▶ **Punch cards available for \$25 – ten punches** (no refunds for unused punches or lost cards)



# Class Times

## Daytime

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>Chefs in Training</b> <i>Birth-PreK 5</i> 9-11:30 am Room 105 MVES-CE <i>Separation</i> <b>#EW415 A&amp;B</b>	<b>Twos</b> <i>24-36 months</i> 9-11:30 am Room 112 MVES-CE <i>Separation</i> <b>#EW200</b>	<b>Tiny Tots</b> <i>10-17 months</i> 9:30-11:30 am Room 105 MVES-CE <i>No Separation</i> <b>#EW110</b>	<b>Around 2</b> <i>18-24 months</i> 9:20-11:50 am Room 105 MVES-CE <i>Gradual Separation</i> <b>#EW175</b>	<b>Drop In &amp; Play</b> <i>Birth-PreK 5</i> 9-11:45 am Room 105 MVES-CE No pre-registration <i>Parents are required to stay with their child during class time</i>	<b>Just Plain Fun!</b> <i>Birth-PreK 5</i> 9-11:30 am Room 1-ISC <i>Separation</i> <b>#EW710</b>
<b>Once a Month Family Event</b> <i>Birth-PreK 5</i> 1:30-3 pm Room 105 MVES-CE Mondays Dec 14 <b>#EW525</b>  Jan 11 <b>#EW535</b>  Feb 8 <b>#EW545</b>	<b>Mother Goose on the Loose</b> <i>Birth-PreK 5</i> 9:20-11:50 am Room 105 MVES-CE <i>Separation</i> <b>#EW435</b>	<b>Understanding Your Baby's Cues</b> <i>Newborn-10 months</i> 9:30-11 am Room 107 MVES-CE <i>No Separation</i> <b>#EW105</b>	<b>3's and Up</b> <i>36 mos-PreK 5</i> 9-11:30 am Room 112 MVES-CE <i>Separation</i> <b>#EW300</b>	<b>Mom's Escape</b> <i>Birth-PreK 5</i> 9:20-11:50 am Room 105 MVES-CE <i>Separation</i> <b>#EW450</b>	
	<b>Balancing</b> <i>Birth-PreK 5</i> 12:30-3 pm Room 105 MVES-CE <i>Separation</i> <b>#EW500</b>	<b>Providing a Safe Environment for Your Baby</b> <i>Newborn-10 months</i> 9:30-11 am Room 107 MVES-CE <i>No Separation</i> <b>#EW106</b>		<b>Online Class: Everyday Parenting</b>	
		<b>Baby Shower</b> <i>Newborn-10 months</i> 9:30-11 am Room 107 MVES-CE <i>No Separation</i> <b>#EW100</b>			



## Evenings

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>Raising Young Scientists</b> <i>Birth-PreK 5</i> 6-7:30 pm Room 105 MVES-CE <i>Separation</i> <b>#EW607</b>	<b>Dad and Me</b> <i>Birth-PreK 5</i> 6:30-8 pm Room 105 MVES-CE <i>Separation</i> <b>#EW605</b>	<b>Valentine Fun</b> <i>Birth-PreK 5</i> 6-7:30 pm Room 105 MVES-CE <i>No Separation</i> <b>#EW905</b>	<b>2's and 3's</b> <i>24-47 months</i> 6-7:30 pm Room 105 MVES-CE <i>Separation</i> <b>#EW640</b>	<b>Gym Nights</b> <i>Birth-PreK 5</i> 6-8:15 pm Meadowview Gym	
<b>Home Made Fun</b> <i>Birth-PreK 5</i> 6-7:30 pm Room 105 MVES-CE <i>Separation</i> <b>#EW608</b>					



### ***Military Family Support***

Need some answers to parenting questions? Are you looking for a place to find encouragement in your parenting? Farmington ECFE is available for Military families to talk to licensed Parent Educators about questions on parenting. You may also have someone come to your home to visit with you about ideas and activities to do with your child.

***For more information call:***

(651) 460-3205 or (651) 460-2248

### ***Photos***

District 192 Community Education periodically takes pictures of participants in our classes and during other sponsored activities. These photos may be used in the Community Education catalog or other promotional materials.

If you do not wish to have your picture taken or published you must provide us written notice in advance.

# Information...

**ECFE on Wheels - Home Visits** – This program comes to you. It features visits to your home, just for you. The visit will include art projects, songs, fingerplays, and games that you and your child will participate together with the Home Visitor. Ideas for creative, fun, age appropriate activities will also be available to you as a parent. Information and ideas on parenting techniques and child development will also be covered. What is the cost? Free!

*For an appointment call:* (651) 460-3205

**Looking for Classes for your Preschooler?** – Does the price of preschool seem unreachable? Are you concerned that your child might be behind and not ready for Kindergarten? Call our office to see if your child would qualify for the Time for Kids Early Childhood Program. This program has licensed teachers trained to help your child be prepared for Kindergarten. There are several levels of scholarships to help you provide a preschool experience for your child. Call (651) 460-3205 to see if you qualify.

**Daycare Provider Resource Program!** – Daycare providers, looking for new ideas? Supplement your daily curriculum with additional projects, stories and group time. Get ideas in providing a well rounded menu of activities to implement daily with your children.

An Early Childhood Educator will come to your site or home to lead a 30 minute long preschool session with your daycare children concentrating on 2-5 year-olds. Each visit you will receive a certificate indicating 1 hour CEU credit. All visits will include a pre-visit phone call and follow up questionnaire. Lesson plans for daycare providers, handouts for parents, material for projects, books and other literacy material, movement and circle time ideas will also be provided. The visit will give you, as a daycare provider, a chance to interact with the children in a whole new way!

This program is available to Farmington School District #192 residents and daycare providers.

For more information or to register for the Daycare Resource Program, call Farmington Community Education (651) 460-3205



## Do we have everyone?

Have you registered your baby, toddler, or preschooler with the Farmington School District census?

### Having your child's name on the census will ensure:

- Receiving all Early Childhood mailings
- Notification of Early Childhood Screening
- Registration information about Kindergarten
- Notification about Kindergarten Round-up

## You can help!

If you have moved to or within Farmington School District 192, changed your phone number, or had a new baby, you will need to update the census information.



Find us on  
**Facebook**

**Farmington School District  
Census Office**

Call (651) 463-5052

**Tell a friend!**



# Things You Should Know...

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The Farmington School Board and district leadership spent the past several months reviewing district finances, facilities maintenance needs, community surveys and funding options before unanimously deciding to put two school funding questions on the November 3 ballot:

- **Question 1** is an operating levy increase to lower class sizes and maintain educational programs.
- **Question 2** is a bond for school safety and security improvements, deferred maintenance districtwide, and additional Kindergarten classrooms in all elementary schools.

## Question 1: Operating Levy Increase

Approval of Question 1 would provide an additional \$433 per pupil to:

- Lower class sizes
- Maintain educational programs
- Maximize state aid, thus lessening the burden on local property taxes

### If Voters Do Not Approve Q1:

The board has determined that the district will no longer be able to fund elementary band or Kindergarten aides and it will be necessary to increase the average class sizes in grades 1-12 by eliminating teachers and academic programs.

### Questions?

Visit [www.farmington.k12.mn.us/referendum](http://www.farmington.k12.mn.us/referendum)  
Email [referendum@farmington.k12.mn.us](mailto:referendum@farmington.k12.mn.us)  
Call 651-460-1928.

### Estimated Tax Impact (on a \$225,000 home)

Q1: Operating Levy Increase	\$15/month
Q2: Facilities Maintenance Bond	\$9/month
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$24/month</b>

## Question 2: Building Bonds

Approval of Question 2 would provide \$45,320,000 in bond funds to:

- Improve safety and security systems at all schools
- Address deferred maintenance needs districtwide, including repairs to roofs, heating/cooling systems, outdoor facilities, and parking lots
- Add Kindergarten classrooms at all elementary schools

### If Voters Do Not Approve Q2:

The board has determined that the district will need to take money from the operating fund to complete the necessary projects, addressing health and safety concerns first. This will result in increasing class sizes by eliminating teachers and programs, and not adding any Kindergarten classrooms.



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# Which Farmington Preschool Option fits your Family?



**Parent  
Aware**  
Highest possible  
4 Star Rated Program!



[www.WeTigers.com](http://www.WeTigers.com)

## Wee Tigers

**Ages 3-5 years**

*Discovering the Fun in Learning*

**Half day, Part week, September through May**

The Wee Tigers Program offers each child a positive learning environment, and prepares the child for Kindergarten entrance. Learning is individualized through play, focusing on age appropriate core areas: critical thinking, personal and social development, phonemic awareness and letter recognition, reading and math concepts, science, art and discovery.

*Tuition is monthly September - May*

*Locations: Meadowview, Riverview, North Trail*



## Stepping Stones



[www.FarmingtonSteppingStones.com](http://www.FarmingtonSteppingStones.com)

## Stepping Stones

**Ages 3-5 years**

*Providing the Foundation for Life Long Learning*

**Full day, Full week, Year round**

Stepping Stones provides the perfect stepping stone into Kindergarten! We encourage children to progress at their own pace, according to individual needs and abilities. Play-based learning centers for math, science, dramatic play, music, and creative art provide opportunities to balance and stimulate both shared and independent learning experiences. This full day option is open 6 am – 6 pm. Children enrolled in Stepping Stones have the option to attend Wee Tigers one, two, three, four or five days per week (depending on the child's age) or Stepping Stones only.

*Tuition is weekly, 12 months*

*Locations: Meadowview, Riverview, North Trail*



**Parent  
Aware**  
Highest possible  
4 Star Rated Program!



[www.FarmingtonTimeForKids.com](http://www.FarmingtonTimeForKids.com)

## Time for Kids

**Ages 3-5 years**

*Where Every Day is an Adventure*

**Half day, Part week, September through May for qualifying families**

Time for Kids grants children and their parents two opportunities for learning. Time for Kids offers a two- day a week “children only” Early Childhood class. The children will participate in age appropriate preschool activities. Time for Kids is a collaboration with the Early Childhood Special Education program. These classes give typically developing children an opportunity to learn to play with their peers who have special needs. Family Events are scheduled several times throughout the school year. These events offer a time for parents and children to play together and a session for parents to get valuable information about their child. Parents are encouraged to attend all of the Family Events for each session. The Family Events are included in the class fees.

*Tuition is determined by a sliding fee scale. Families must qualify. Tuition is paid four times per school year.*

*Location: Instructional Services Center ISC*



## Children gain skills and experience in:

- ▶ **Phonemic awareness and letter recognition**
- ▶ **Awareness of print and early reading concepts**
- ▶ **Number recognition and early math concepts**
- ▶ **Cooperative Learning**
- ▶ **Critical thinking**
- ▶ **Science, dramatic play, art, music and discovery**

## Visit Us, See Us, Meet Us, Join Us!

### All Programs:

Wee Tigers,  
Stepping Stones,  
Time for Kids

### All Sites:

Meadowview,  
Riverview,  
North Trail,  
Instructional Services Center

**February 2, 2016** 4-6:30 pm  
Private tours may also be scheduled

*Class sizes are limited up to 20 children per class.  
All children must be 3 years old by the  
September start date of class and toilet trained.*

## What makes our Programs Supreme?

- ▶ **Curriculum** - Developmentally appropriate, our integrated curriculum helps children make connections between content areas, build on previous learning, and strengthen their understanding of concepts. For optimal learning, our curriculum offers both child-guided and adult-guided experiences.
- ▶ **The Environment** - Our classrooms are equipped with age appropriate materials and toys just the right size!
- ▶ **Preparation for Kindergarten entrance** - We provide an environment and curriculum alignment with the kindergarten standards, that allows for a smooth transition to the Elementary Schools.
- ▶ **Our Well-Trained Teachers and Staff** - Our highly educated and qualified teachers and staff are intentional in planning lessons and activities and selecting strategies that promote learning and support the growth of the whole child. They are enthusiastic and passionate about teaching young children and provide a loving and warm atmosphere for learning.
- ▶ **Multiple and Flexible options** - Our programming is scheduled with flexible options, with full or half days, 1-5 days per week, school-year, summer, or year-round choices.

**Secure your  
spot today!**

651-460-3200

**Registration Begins:  
February 1st, 2016**



# Gymnastics for Toddlers and Preschoolers

**ALL CLASSES**  
9 weeks  
\$108

## Toddler

### 2 & 3 year olds

Bring your toddler to the gym and work together on helping your child develop hand-eye coordination, balance and gym discipline and safety. This class is for 2 and 3 year olds who are not ready to take a class on their own.

Parents/Guardians will participate along side their children in this class.

## Preschool

### 3 & 4 year olds

Your preschooler will learn basic gymnastics skills in a structured manner. This class is for students who are able to follow directions without parents. The preschool class is designed to use gymnastics and fundamental body movements as a platform to build and strengthen confidence, positive self-image and problem solving skills in a safe environment.

COURSE NAME	FULL NUMBER	START DATE	DAYS	TIMES
Gymnastics - Preschool	<b>YW15G-PM</b>	01/04/2016	Mondays	6:45 pm – 7:30 pm
Gymnastics - Toddlers	<b>YW15G-TM</b>	01/04/2016	Mondays	6:45 pm – 7:30 pm
Gymnastics - Preschool	<b>YW15G-PW</b>	01/06/2016	Wednesdays	6:30 pm – 7:15 pm
Gymnastics - Toddlers	<b>YW15G-TW</b>	01/06/2016	Wednesdays	6:30 pm – 7:15 pm
Gymnastics - Preschool	<b>YW15G-PR1</b>	01/07/2016	Thursdays	9:45 am – 10:30 am
Gymnastics - Preschool	<b>YW15G-PR2</b>	01/07/2016	Thursdays	6:45 pm – 7:30 pm
Gymnastics - Toddlers	<b>YW15G-TR1</b>	01/07/2016	Thursdays	10:30 am – 11:15 am
Gymnastics - Toddlers	<b>YW15G-TR2</b>	01/07/2016	Thursdays	6:45 pm – 7:30 pm
Gymnastics - Preschool	<b>YW15G-PT</b>	01/12/2016	Tuesdays	10:30 am – 11:15 am
Gymnastics - Toddlers	<b>YW15G-TT</b>	01/12/2016	Tuesdays	9:45 am – 10:30 am

For  
more information visit:  
[www.FarmingtonTNT.com](http://www.FarmingtonTNT.com)





## TNT Movie Night!

Mark your calendars!

Friday, December 11

**FIRST ANNUAL**

### Twist N Tumble Movie Night!!

Join FHS gymnasts, coaches and friends  
in different activities, stations and snacks.  
*Chill out with your friends and watch a movie!*

7-8:30 pm

TNT Gym, 510 Walnut St, Farmington

Ages 5 and under must attend with parent  
participation.

\$20 first child, \$15 additional children



# Screening

## Calling all 3 Year Olds! It's time for Screening!

### Early Childhood Screening

Children eligible for kindergarten in 2016, 2017 and 2018 will be screened during the 2015-2016 school year.

Early Childhood Screening is a simple and careful check of the health and development of your child, provided at no cost to parents. Your child must be between the ages of 3 to 5 years to be screened.

Screening at this early age will confirm that a child is progressing normally or will pick up hidden delays that would benefit from early intervention. Screenings are held monthly during the school year.

### Who Needs to be Screened?

All children living in District 192 who are 3, 4, or 5 years of age and not currently enrolled in kindergarten need to participate in the free screening program before entering kindergarten. Age three is the recommended age for screening.

Children who attend Head Start or Early Childhood Special Education programs may not have to participate in Early Childhood Screening. Please check with your child's teacher.

### When should my child be screened?

Childhood Screening should be done sometime between your child's 3rd and 4th birthday.

### Where can I find the forms?

You may print the screening forms by going to the Early Childhood Screening website [www.farmingtonscreening.com](http://www.farmingtonscreening.com)



### Is the program required?

Screening is not an IQ test or a kindergarten entrance test, although it is required by state law for children to participate, before starting kindergarten in a public school. (Children are not permitted to enter public school without having Early Childhood Screening and up-to-date immunizations.)

If you are planning to send your child to private or home school the screening is not required by law. However we still encourage you to participate.

### What should I expect at Screening?

The parent attends the entire screening process with their child along with a team of specialists.

A review of your child's height, weight, vision, and hearing will be conducted. Then your child will have a developmental progress review.

The parent/s will then participate in a family factors and immunization interview to review the screening process and talk about any questions or concerns.

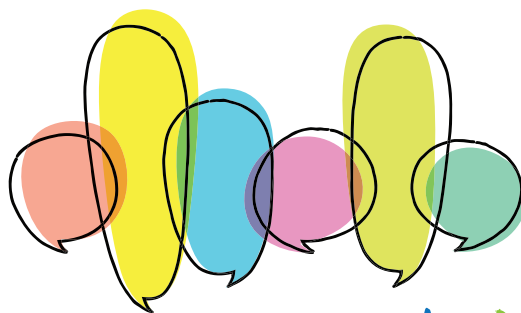
### Early Childhood Screening includes:

- Immunization records
- Hearing and vision
- Speech and developmental screening
- Height and weight
- Summary interview with parents



**To make an appointment  
for screening,  
please call 651-460-3200  
or 651-460-3208**





# Speaking of Kids

Seminars that empower parents, educators, and caregivers

**Do you have kids? Work with kids? Care for kids?** Speaking of Kids is for you! Come and enjoy seminars that empower parents, educators and caregivers by providing information and ideas to enhance your relationship with children and help them succeed.

**Tuesday, Nov 17 7-8:30 pm**

## **Top 20 Parents Help Their Children Learn from Mistakes and Move Outside Their Comfort Zone**

– *Tom Cody, Top 20 Training*

Meadowview Elementary School Cafetorium, 6100 195th St W, Farmington

**Monday, Feb 29 7-8:30 pm**

## **Nutrition/Body Image/Healthy Eating in a Hurry**

– *Panel Discussion*

Lakeville North High School Auditorium, 19600 Ipava Ave., Lakeville

**Monday, April 11 7-8:30 pm**

## **Emotions! Helping Children Name, Share & Cope with Them**

– *Sarah Leitschuh*

Meadowview Elementary School Cafetorium, 6100 195th St W, Farmington

Register online or phone

**\$4** per seminar, all 4 for just **\$12**,  
or **\$5** at the door

Registration includes CEU's

Free childcare (ages 2-8)

**Registration REQUIRED**

[www.speakingofkids.info](http://www.speakingofkids.info)

# SAVE THE DATES!

Sponsored by ISD 192 and 194 School Districts, Community Education and Early Childhood Family Education Programs. For more information or scholarships call: Judy Johnson 952-232-3681 or Barb Pierce 651-460-3203



# Online Accounts

## Create a New Online Account

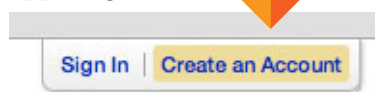
If you have not participated in a Community Education program you will need to create a new account before you are able to register yourself and your family members in any class or activity. The registration site allows you to make a payment, register for a class or activity in one convenient location. If you have questions please call Community Education at (651) 460-3200 for assistance.

### Login Set-up:

Go to [www.farmingtonCE.com](http://www.farmingtonCE.com)

Click on "Online Registration" on the left hand bar

Select Create an Account in the upper right corner

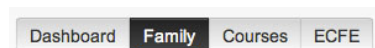


Enter information into the required fields.

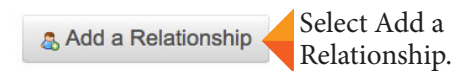
Add Relationships (family members) to Your Account

Log in to your Account

Relationships on this Account are shown under the Family tab.



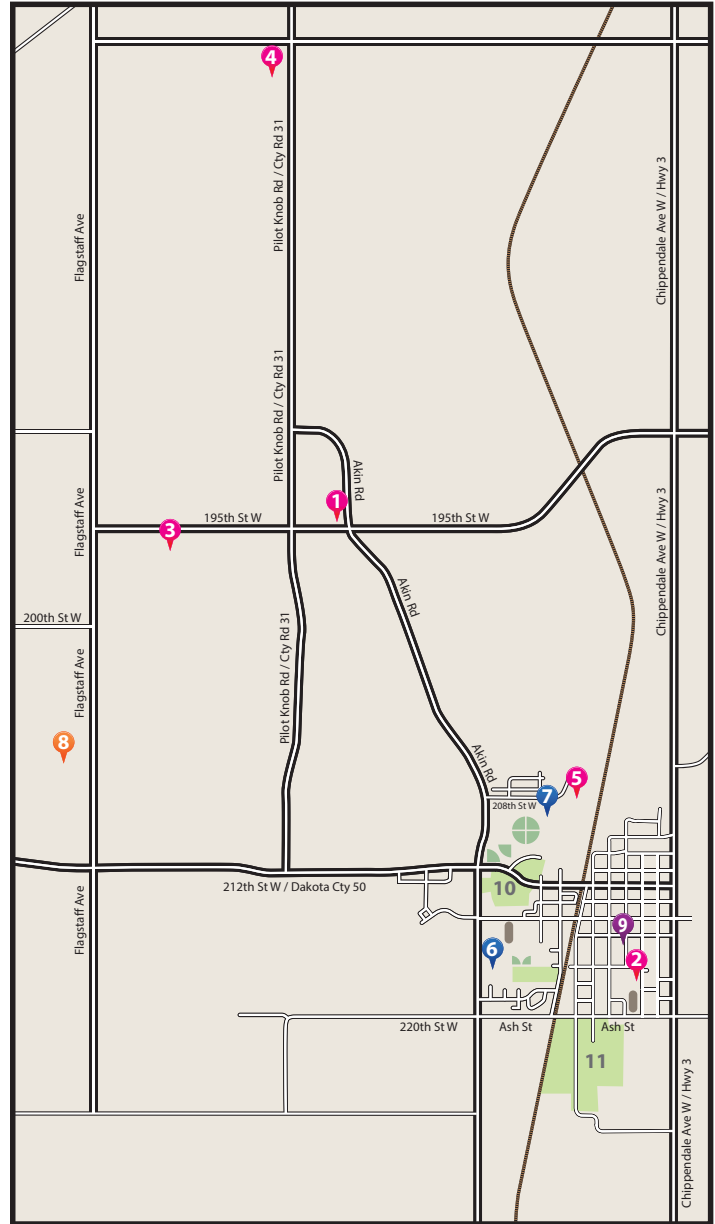
### Relationships



Choose the relationship and click on Continue to add the family member's information.



**Tip:** If you create your account by signing into Facebook please be sure to add your address and phone number(s) so we can contact you in case of an emergency.



### Elementary Schools

- 1 Akin Road Elementary • 5231 195th Street West
- 2 Farmington Elementary • 500 Maple Street
- 3 Meadowview Elementary (and Community Education office) 6100 195th Street West
- 4 North Trail Elementary • 5580 170th Street West, Lakeville
- 5 Riverview Elementary • 4100 208th Street West

### Middle Schools

- 6 Robert Boeckman Middle School • 800 Denmark Avenue
- 7 Levi Dodge Middle School • 4200 208th Street West
- 8 Farmington High School • 20655 Flagstaff Avenue
- 9 Instructional Services Ctr • 510 Walnut Street
- 10 Rambling River Park
- 11 Dakota Cty Fairgrounds

# ECFE Registration

## Three Easy Ways to Register...

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- 1 Online Registration** – Online class registrations are accepted only when charged to Visa, MasterCard and Discover, or ACH Electronic transfer. To register, point your browser to [www.ECFEfamily.com](http://www.ECFEfamily.com)
- 2 By Phone (651) 460-3200** – Phone class requests are accepted only when charged to ACH Electronic Transfer, Visa, MasterCard and Discover. M-F, 7:30 am to 4:30 pm. Classes will be open for registrations Tuesday, November 10, 2015. Registrations begin at 8 am.
- 3 In Person** – To request ECFE classes come to the Community Education Office – 6100 195th Street W, Farmington, MN 55024. M-F, 7:30 am to 4:30 pm.

**Early Childhood Family Education classes are open to Farmington Area Public School District Residents** with children from birth to pre-kindergarten 5 year-olds. Parent(s)/legal guardian(s) must participate with their own child(ren). Non-district residents may register: however these registrations will be processed after district residents. Due to funding guidelines, children attending kindergarten are not eligible for ECFE classes.

Call our office at (651) 460-3200

### Family Fee Classes

**Pay for one child and additional children in your family are free!**

These classes are for ages birth through pre-kindergarten 5. Pay for one child and additional children in your family are free! ALL children must be pre-registered for these classes. Childcare is not available for Family Fee Classes.

ECFE reserves the right to cancel any activity due to insufficient enrollment. When an activity is cancelled, we will make every effort to contact registrants 48 hours before the scheduled start of the activity. A full refund will be issued.

For full refund, persons who wish to withdraw their registration must do so no later than 5 business days prior to the scheduled start of the activity.

Persons withdrawing from a class or activity after 48 hours prior to the start of an activity and before the class is held, may get a credit to be applied to another ECFE class or activity.

No refund or credit will be issued after the start of a class or activity.

### ECFE Class Fee Scale-Family Fee

*Combined Family Income*

Class Fee	A	B	C	D	E
\$90,000 and up	\$105	\$95	\$84	\$44	\$26
\$60,000 - \$89,999	\$87	\$80	\$70	\$37	\$22
\$30,000 - \$59,999	\$72	\$66	\$59	\$30	\$18
\$10,000 - \$29,999	\$47	\$43	\$37	\$20	\$12
9,999 and under	Free	Free	Free	Free	Free

### Sibling Care Fee Scale

*Combined Family Income*

Child	1	2	3
\$30,000 and up	\$10	\$8	\$6
\$10,000 - \$29,999	\$8	\$6	\$4
9,999 and under	Free	Free	Free

*All Childcare children must be pre-registered.*

**Funding assistance is available for residents of ISD 192.**

No one is turned away if unable to pay. For UCare discount please call the CE office (651) 460-3200.

### Questions?

### Payment Information

Your fee payment will be based on your family income; however, no ISD #192 resident will be turned away because of an inability to pay. See fee scale.

### Registration Timeline

**Classes will be open for registrations Tuesday, November 10, 2015 at 8 am. Families may register for one class per child until after November 20. If there are still openings families may register for an additional class.**

Receipt of payment emails will be issued at the time of payment. Classes for the Winter session will begin November 30.

### Class Refund Policy

**The ECFE Childcare policy and the Adult Attendance policy** are available on the Farmington Community Education website [www.farmingtonCE.com](http://www.farmingtonCE.com)



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# Wee Tigers Preschool

*The premier preschool in Farmington, staffed by licensed, professional Early Childhood educators, provides fun, challenging and creative learning activities for your child.*



**See application information  
for 2015-2016 at:**

[www.WeTigers.com](http://www.WeTigers.com)

Information at the

Farmington Expo • January 30, 2016

Farmington High School • 20655 Flagstaff Avenue



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