



Mass Audubon's Ipswich River Nature Preschool
Located at Endicott Wildlife Sanctuary 346 Grapevine Rd Wenham MA
Application 2024-2025
Applicant Information

Today's Date _____ Child's Birthdate _____ (Child must be 3 years old by Sept 1, 2024)

Child's Name _____

Nickname _____ Male ___ Female ___ Pronoun _____

Home Address _____

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Information

Name(s) _____

Home Address(es) _____

Email(s) _____

Cell Phone(s) _____

How did you hear about our program?

Has your child attended any other preschools or playgroups?

Why are you interested in enrolling your child in Ipswich River Nature Preschool?

We strongly recommend that you attend an Open House. Once families are accepted, we can schedule individual times to tour the school and grounds when the program is in session.

Admission Policy:

All interested families must apply for enrollment. Admission is by date order as applications are received. Applications are accepted from all families, without discrimination. Waitlisted families will be notified as spaces become available. Returning families and current families with siblings must return their application by December 14, 2023. Applications for new families are accepted on a rolling basis. After hearing back from returning families, new families will be notified that we can hold a space until deposits are due **or** add them to the waitlist.

Tuition Policy

A non-refundable deposit of \$500 is due February 15, 2024 to secure your spot. Prior to the deposit due date, you will receive a copy of our parent handbook which includes extensive information and policies. A limited amount of financial aid is available. The financial aid form is due Feb 7, 2024 for the following school year. Awards are made prior to the deposit due dates. School begins just after Labor Day and runs through early June. Our parent handbook has an annual list of school closure dates. We also run a three-week summer program for enrolled children.



Chickadees **Age 3 by September 1st Ratio 1:5** With the guidance and support of two experienced teachers, our youngest group of nature preschoolers learn to say good-bye, make discoveries about themselves, and become members of a group. While exploring the natural world, the chickadees fully experience the seasons, notice changes, ask questions, and develop short- and long-term projects that incorporate their interests and skills.

Option	Program Option Age 3-4 Chickadee Program		Select 1 st or 2 nd choice
#1	T/Th Half Day 9-12	\$5,250	
#2	MWF 9-12	\$7,100	
#3	MTWTHF 9-12	\$11,100	



Blue Jays **Ages 4-5 Ratio 1:6** The Blue Jays develop a deep sense of place as they hike the trails and make discoveries. Teachers observe children’s play and talk to uncover the questions that guide their learning. With the support of an experienced team of teachers, the Blue Jays develop independence and agency as they navigate friendships and build community. The skills of math, science and literacy are meaningfully incorporated into ordinary moments and extraordinary projects.

Option	Program Option Age 4-5 Blue Jay Program		Select 1 st or 2 nd choice
#1	T/Th Half Day 9-12	\$5,250	
#2	MWF 9-12	\$7,100	
#3	MTWTHF 9-12	\$11,100	



Owls **Older 4’s and 5’s Ratio 1:6** This class is a wonderful opportunity for children who may benefit from a small group, or additional time before entering Kindergarten. The Owls take on many special projects such as fostering endangered turtles and writing to senior citizen pen pals while allowing for additional time to practice skills in the context of interesting projects and nature adventures.

#1	Program Option Age 4-5 Owl Program	MTWTH—4 days 9-12PM	\$9,500	Select	
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New for 2024-2025! **Friday Morning Explorers** 9 AM -12 PM as a 5th day option for Owls and T/Th Blue Jays. \$2,280 for Fridays Mornings for the year. Please check if interested.

Extended Day

Check box to right of day for choice. Annual price per day for AM and Lunch available by request.

Early Birds 8-9 AM	18.00 hr	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Friday	
Lunch Bunch 12-1 PM	18.00 hr	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Friday	

Afternoons 12:00 -3:30 (Includes lunch bunch) Enrollment for a minimum of two afternoons only

Mon & Wed \$5,320	Tues & Thurs \$5,320	Mon -Thurs (4 day) \$10,640	No afternoon program on Fridays
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*Thank you for scanning or emailing all applications to irnpreschool@massaudubon.org. We will confirm receipt within 3 weeks. No application fee required. For more information and questions please call 978-237-0108.