

Our Classroom: This EEC licensed Nature Preschool is for 3 - 5-vear-old children and is located at Mass Audubon's Long Pasture Wildlife Sanctuary off Rt. 6A in Barnstable MA. Long Pasture's forests, fields, gardens, ponds, vernal pools, tidal flats and nature playground are our classrooms. At least 70% of your child's day will be outside. Our indoor classroom is for selected activities and provides shelter during inclement weather.

Our Curriculum: A Nature-Based Preschool experience promotes Whole-Child Readiness and Develops a Life Long Relationship with the Outdoors. Structured and free

choice activities provide opportunities to:

- Practice critical thinking and problem-solving skills while interacting with real tools of science.
- Develop science and environmental literacy, through hands on investigation.
- Expand skills of language and literacy while creating nature notebooks with authentic interactions.
- Explore mathematical concepts while measuring sticks, sorting shells, categorizing flora and fauna.
- Participate in and observe seasonal changes through nature immersion and related activities.
- Create visual and spatial mind mapping skills, while navigating trails and manipulating objects.
- Explore engineering and construction concepts while building mud dams, tree forts and fairy homes.
- Practice personal self-help skills and social relationships in a nurturing play-based environment.

Our Staff:

EEC Licensed Early Education Teachers Teacher to Student Ratio: 2:10

For more Information: www.massaudubon.org/longpasture

or Contact the Preschool Director at: longpasturepreschool@massaudubon.org

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Fall 2024 - Spring 2025 Offerings Choose one of the following 38-week programs, September to June

Option 1: Two Day Program Nature-Based Preschool for 3yr.olds Monday & Wednesday 8:30-1:00 Tuition: \$4788 (9/4/24-6/11/25) (Child must be 3 years prior to Sept.1 2024)

Option 2: Two Day Program Nature-Based Kindergarten Prep for 4yr.olds Tuesday & Thursday 8:30-1:00 Tuition: \$4788 (9/5/24-6/12/25) Aftercare: Currently enrolled 4yr old only Tuesday & Thursday 1:00-3:00pm Tuition: \$2128 (9/5/24-6/12/25)

Payments and Fees

\$100.00 registration deposit is required to hold enrollment position. (Deposit is applied to last payment)

Monthly Payment Plan Need-based financial assistance available.

Current Mass Audubon membership required Please contact the Sanctuary to join or check on your membership status.

Preparing for Nature Preschool

Children should come prepared each day for the weather. Appropriate clothing includes: rain coats warm jackets warm hats sun hats mittens wool socks water proof boots water bottle Long pasture will provide Puddle Pants! Bring a healthy snack, lunch and water bottle in reusable containers each day.

A Parent Handbook is provided with enrollment.

