



Welcome to The Poplar School

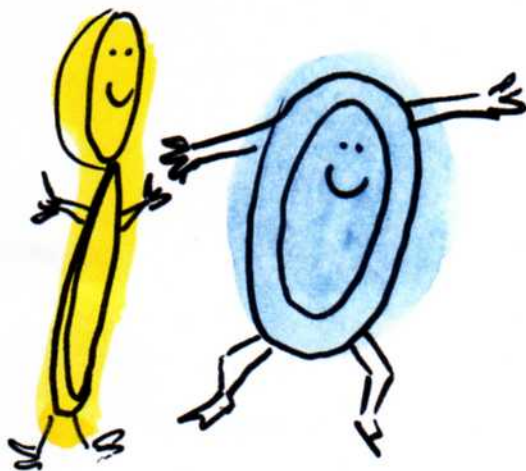
In choosing our school for your child you have selected a developmental program. Our caring supportive staff will provide your child with the best developmental experiences. Our teachers strive to make The Poplar School a warm, comfortable place where children and parents feel welcome.

I have tried to address parents' concerns and provide you with insight into our philosophy and way of caring for your child. If you have any questions, please ask. We want you to know as much about your child's preschool as possible.

As part of our "family," your participation is always encouraged. Your talents and gifts will add a great deal to our program.

We are glad that you have joined
The Poplar School family.

Sincerely,
Nancy Coll
Director



Philosophy

♥ Our top priority is to love and nurture every child entrusted to our care. We will treat every child gently and lovingly, with respect for the dignity of the child at all times. The most important gift to give a child is to have your eyes light up when you see them.

♥ We are a family: children, parents and teachers. We want every child coming to the school to experience the love and security of a home away from home.

♥ Each child is a miracle in the truest sense of the word. Having been in the world for a little over 1000 days, your child is speaking, walking, eating alone, solving social problems and developing his or her intellectual abilities. At no other time will the changes in your child's development be so profound!

♥ We teachers are at the service of our children, our parents and one another. Our question always is "how can we help."

♥ We personally work with every child, helping them improve small motor skills such as holding scissors and pencils, developing math and reading skills and learning to get along with each other.

♥ We know that confidence is the critical piece for a child's success in school. We look for ways to praise and encourage every child. Encouragement and praise are as basic as rain and sunshine in a garden.

♥ We believe that drama and the arts are essential to the soul. We provide daily opportunities in this area.

♥ We look for literature that captures your child's imagination and encourages critical thinking. Through literature, we seek to impart to your children models of nobility, compassion and sacrifice for others.

♥ We value play, especially dramatic play. We know that dreaming and pretending are essential to becoming a healthy person.

♥ We believe that learning can be, and should be fun and exciting.



