



**Chatham Methodist Preschool** is a combination of the Chatham United Methodist Nursery School and the Mother's Morning Out Programs. We now offer the best of the two programs as the Chatham Methodist Preschool!

### General Information

Chatham Methodist Preschool was founded in 1970 as a mission of the CUMC and is a state licensed, non-profit, non-denominational preschool for children 18 months to age 6. The teaching staff is experienced, accessible, and regularly participates in early childhood professional training. Staff turnover is very low.

The preschool recognizes the importance of a strong connection between home and school for young children. Communication between parents and staff is fostered by daily contact during arrival and dismissal and is further enhanced through weekly newsletters, written observations and parent/teacher conferences.

The classrooms and outdoor playground are large, inviting and well-equipped.

### Learn, Play and Grow!

Research shows that children who are in developmentally appropriate play-based programs such as ours are prepared to enter kindergarten with strong readiness skills in math and reading. Each child will grow in self-confidence by exploring his or her unique strengths in our well-equipped facilities with our dedicated, nurturing teaching staff. Our students experience the joy that comes with discovery and learning!

### Approach

At the core of Chatham Methodist's program is a dedicated and caring teaching staff with deep respect for young children. They recognize and value the power of play in the development of the young child. Young children learn by doing and need to explore, experiment and make discoveries for themselves through play experiences in order to make sense of their world. Play is the young child's natural learning mechanism and is critical to all areas of a young child's development. The preschool's program is carefully designed to allow many opportunities for extended exploration and discovery, creativity, language extension, cooperative play and skill development through a rich variety of developmentally experiences and activities.



## CLASS OFFERINGS 2017 - 2018

### **Almost 2 Year Olds - 2 Day Option**

Rolling admission – child is eligible to attend at 18 months  
T/TH 8:45 am-11:15 am

### **2 Year Olds - 3 Day Option**

Must be 2 by October 1, 2017  
M/W/F 8:45 am-11:15 am

### **3 Year Olds - 3 or 4 Day Option**

Must be 3 by October 1, 2017  
M/T/W/TH 8:45 am-11:45 am  
*One hour lunch option T and W, 11:45 am - 12:45 pm*

### **4 Year Olds - 4 or 5 Day Option**

Must be 4 by October 1, 2017  
M/T/W/TH/F 8:45 am-11:45 am  
*One hour lunch option T and W, 11:45 am - 12:45 pm*

### **5 Year Olds - 5 Full Days**

Must be 5 by January 15, 2018 and attended a 4-year old program  
M/T/W/TH/F 8:45 am-2:15 am  
*BYO Lunch*

### **Kindergarten Enrichment - 3 or 5 Day Option**

M/T/W/TH/F AM 8:45 am-12:00 pm *BYO Lunch*  
M/T/W/TH/F PM 11:30 am-2:30 pm *BYO Lunch*

### **Registration Procedure**

For information and an application form contact Amy Crandall, Director at [cmpdirector@optonline.net](mailto:cmpdirector@optonline.net) or visit our website at [www.chathammethodistpreschool.org](http://www.chathammethodistpreschool.org). We welcome visits to our classrooms, please call 973-563-8301 to schedule a tour.

Priority Registration begins on December 1st. Alumni families and church members may register in December. Open Registration begins on January 1st. Applications should be mailed or dropped off to the Preschool.

*School is in session from September through early June. Chatham Methodist Preschool follows the School District of the Chathams school calendar with a few exceptions.*