

# The Applebee Preschool

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Welcome to Summer Camp 2022.

Our summer camp program will begin on Monday, June 6<sup>th</sup>. We are so excited about our summer camp themes this year. Each of the 8 weeks, we will explore a fun new theme. Within each theme we will incorporate projects & activities that include art, science, math, literacy, gross and fine motor control skills, as well as endless opportunities for social and emotional growth.

Our process-oriented art projects along with our loose parts philosophy provide preschoolers with so many choices. Our mixed age groups allow preschoolers the opportunity to be leaders, followers, turn takers, friendship makers and more. As your child walks in the door, they can check themselves in using our photo/name magnets so that they feel a sense of belonging. They will then check themselves out at the end of the day as well.

It is our goal, at Applebee, to help each child feel safe and secure in a loving environment that promotes individual learning and a comfort level hard to be matched anywhere else. We believe that each child learns and grows at their own pace.

We are looking forward to another fun summer with your kiddo's!

Joanie, Savannah, Lizzy and Hannah



*"Play is the work of Childhood" -Jean Piaget*



## Kevin Henkes “Author & Illustrator”

“Lilly’s Purple Plastic Purse”, “Owen”, and “Chrysanthemum” are just a few of Kevin Henkes books we will read and explore during our first week of Summer Camp. We will learn about book titles, settings, story lines, problem solving, predictions and character webs. We will explore art and illustrations and act even act out some stories too.

## Patterns, Puzzles & Pendulums

Patterns, puzzles, and pendulums...oh my! We will create our own pendulum to paint with, we will learn about puzzles and sort pieces and count them too. We will even make our own puzzles to take home. We will learn about patterns thru art and other natural things.



## Children’s Games Around the World

The possibilities are endless. From indoor games to outdoor games, we will learn about them all! We will play “Loteria” from Mexico and “Tiu-u” from China. We will tackle leapfrog, hopscotch, cat’s cradle and other things like soccer too. Get ready for some fun dinner time conversations as we take a trip around the world and explore what other kids play!

## The Bees Knees

We here at AppleBEE, think bees are the bees’ knees! This week we will learn about bees and how important they are for our ecosystem. We will taste honeycomb, honey, and even meet a real beekeeper. From honeybees to bumble bees and all the bees in between...this week will be super sweet!





## Rocks & Minerals

How are rocks formed? Where do minerals come from? We will find out! From pebbles, rocks, and boulders to all the minerals we can find...we will do some sorting, weighing, and magnifying. We will create our own jewelry, a rock garden, painted rocks and even become geologists and rock climbers!

## Potion Commotion

This week we will measure, stir, bind, and combine things that make playdough, slime, ooblek and more. We will create our own mud kitchen outside and mix magic potions while making a commotion! We will learn words like fizz, balance, hypothesis, predict, and observe. We are sure to come home messy that's for sure!



## Rivers, Lakes & Ponds

Gone fishing! This week we will discover who lives in our local ponds, rivers, and lakes. From tadpoles to salmon...if it's here we will discover it. We will fish, wade, and play in water. We will watch real tadpoles turn into frogs and chart how many days it takes for them to hop back into their pond environment.

## Pets @ The Vet

Dogs, cats, and fish oh my! This week is all about pets and vets. Our playhouse will become a veterinary clinic as we explore all animals that we can keep at home! We will care for puppies, kittens, bunnies, fish, hermit crabs, birds and more. As we say goodbye to summer this week, we will meet a real-life dog trainer and watch as she shows us all the things her dog can do!

