

## Enrollment

We provide quality preschool and daycare for children, ages 2 years (potty trained not required) through 6 years. 2 Year olds will need to provide their own diapers, pull-ups, and wipes.

*King of Glory Preschool is a Ministry of King of Glory Lutheran Church of Newbury Park*

## Mission Statement

King of Glory Preschool is a community service ministry of King of Glory Lutheran Church in Newbury Park, California. Founded in 1991, our beautiful facility was constructed specifically to house the preschool. In this child-centered, nurturing environment, children develop physical, social, emotional, cognitive, spiritual, and creative skills, providing them with a positive attitude about life and learning.

## Admission Statement

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## Philosophy and Goals

At King of Glory we value children for who they are, not for what they know or what they can do. We demonstrate this by listening to them, recognizing their efforts, and providing opportunities for each child to feel successful.

At King of Glory we provide a climate in which children can explore their world at their own pace. Through "hands-on" activity centers, and experiences, children are encouraged to discover answers, properties, relationships, skills, and concepts for themselves.

We strive to build a "language rich" environment to ensure that young children gain the verbal skills necessary to communicate feelings, thoughts, and needs. We promote creative adventure with language by exposing our students to the best of early childhood literature, and encouraging their own imaginative use of language.

We foster the development of strong, healthy bodies by providing nutritious snacks, promoting good health habits, and designing our playground and classroom areas to stimulate both fine and gross motor development.

At King of Glory we are dedicated to nurturing in each child the knowledge that she/he is special to God, created, loved, and uniquely gifted by Him.

## Admission Policies

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## Curriculum Program

Our program is carefully planned to help each child build a creative and healthy self-image, to develop empathy for others, and to develop critical thinking skills necessary for everyday living. Although our schedule is dictated by the needs and interests of our students, a typical day will include a wide variety of learning experiences including:

- Group Activities (story telling, finger plays, etc).
- Independent learning tasks (blocks, manipulative, etc).
- Science exploration (observation and discussion of natural forces in earth, sky, weather, life, pets, etc).
- Art experiences (easel painting, crayons, collage, finger painting, chalk, etc).
- Dramatic play (a chance to try on different life skills, occupations, relationships, etc).
- Music and Movement (songs, rhythms, rhymes - a chance to experience music experimentally and creatively).
- Sensorimotor training (body image, space and direction, balance, visual discrimination, large a small muscle activities).
- Chapel times and other spiritual growth times (opportunities to share prayers, songs, stories, and God's love).
- Snack times - Nutritious snacks are provided mid-morning and after the children's nap in the afternoon. We are a Nut-Free School.
- Outdoor Play - Our outside environment has been carefully designed to promote both large and small muscle development.

### Chapel

We worship together regularly in the church sanctuary. This is a special time to meet with the children and tell stories, sing songs, and tell the children about God's love for them. This time is carefully planned to be age appropriate for preschool children. Chapel is offered on alternating Thursdays and Fridays.

### Brightwheel

Brightwheels mission is to transform early education for every teacher, child, and parent - by giving teachers more time with students each day, engaging parents in the development of their kids, and supporting the small businesses that make up the backbone of the early education field.

Brightwheel is our preschool communication platform. You can download the Brightwheel app for your phone, or visit [www.mybrightwheel.com](http://www.mybrightwheel.com) on a computer to interact with the software. We will use Brightwheel for communication, billing, and signing your children in & out daily. Once you accept your Brightwheel invitation, you will receive your child's four digit code. You will not be allowed to drop off or pickup your child if you do not know your four digit code.

## "I Played!"

When you ask your child "What did you do at school today?" And their answer is, "I played!" Please know this is what they are really telling you...

Look at just **SOME** of the things a child learns through **Play...**

In the **LANGUAGE & LITERACY** center, the child:  
Learns to recognize and identify the letters of the alphabet and their sounds  
Learns respect and care for books  
Expands interest in words and books  
Develops an understanding of concepts about books and print

In the **MATH** center, the child:  
Practices counting  
Learns to identify numbers  
Understands number order and quantities  
Creates patterns  
Distinguishes shapes by their attributes

In the **BLOCK** center, the child:  
Practices counting  
Learns to identify numbers  
Understands number order and quantities  
Creates patterns  
Distinguishes shapes by their attributes

In the **DRAMATIC PLAY** center, the child:  
Makes Decisions  
Explores adult roles  
Practices expressive language  
Develops problem solving skills like sharing and taking turns  
Uses their imagination

In the **ART** center, the child:  
Develops hand-eye coordination, and refines small muscle control  
Learns a proper pencil grip  
Expresses unique ideas and feelings  
Develops their creativity  
Learns to respect the artistic expression of others

In the **SCIENCE** center, the child:  
Develops their five senses  
Learns to be a good observer  
Formulates and evaluates predictions  
Begins to classify  
Begins to collect data

*These are just some of the fantastic things your child will learn this year in preschool!*

## Health

The State of California Department of Health requires a health clearance from your child's doctor verifying that the child is physically and emotionally able to participate in a preschool program. This health screen must also certify that the child is up to date on all necessary immunizations and has had a recent TB test.

Should a child become ill at school, she/he will be isolated and a parent contacted. If we cannot reach a parent, we will call those persons listed on the child's emergency card. Parents or other authorized persons are expected to act quickly if they are requested to pick up an ill child at school. Until an authorized person arrives to take the child home, we will monitor the child's condition. If a temperature reaches 103, we will contact the child's physician. If she/he is not available we must call the paramedics.

If your child experiences vomiting, diarrhea, or fever, they must be symptom-free for at least 24 hours before being allowed to return to school. If you are in doubt as to whether your child is ill, please, keep him/her home. Some symptoms to watch for include, but are not limited to:

- Fever
- Runny Nose
- Cold
- Rash
- Diarrhea
- Sore Throat
- Watery/inflamed eyes
- Respiratory illness
- Draining sores/burns
- Vomitting

\*Please notify the school immediately if your child contracts a communicable disease\*

## Medication

A Medical Authorization Form must be completed prior to any medication being dispensed at school. Only medications prescribed by a physician may be given by our staff. Such medication must be in the original container, with full instructions on the label. Over the counter medication must also be prescribed by a physician, in writing.

## Accident Or Injury

Minor injuries will receive first aid treatment by a staff member. If a more serious injury is sustained by a student, we will make an immediate attempt to contact a parent. If we cannot reach a parent we will call the child's physician. If necessary, we will call the paramedics. Until the arrival of a parent, physician, or paramedic. The director or person in charge will make all decisions regarding the care of the child. Parents will be expected to assume responsibility for any resultant expense. School insurance will contribute to the cost of expenses after the student's personal insurance has been applied.

## Disaster Procedures

In the event of a disaster, no student will be released to anyone other than a parent or legal guardian, without written instructions from the parent requesting that the child be released with another adult. Students will remain with their teacher and class until released to a parent or guardian. In accordance with state regulations, we review and practice emergency procedures with students each month.

