

# FAQ

**Q1. Do I choose to come both days or just one?** While we are building our nest, our teachers will use the same curriculum both days (Monday and Thursday). So, you would only choose to enroll on Monday OR Thursday for the 2025-2026 school year. We hope to grow and expand our nest in the following years, so stay tuned for additional courses/curriculum!

**Q2. How does your day look?** A daily schedule is included at the bottom of this page. Our teachers are very in tune with understanding the needs of their students, so they can adjust (provide brain breaks) according to students' needs. Your child will have each subject that is listed on the schedule every single day. After we meet for our morning, we will plan to head with our families to the playground after class to continue to build relationships and have lunch (Monday) snack (Thursday) and play together.

**Q3. Do I have to stay or can I drop my child off?** We have found that in order to create an environment that leads to best student success, these are drop off classes. There will be many opportunities for parent volunteers, so stay tuned! However, if you think that your child would feel more comfortable with you there, you are welcome to stay in the lobby. The lobby also has a TV so you will be able to see what is happening on the screen in your child's class as well.

**Q4. How many students will be in each class?** We will max each class out between 10 and 12 students. One class is for children ages 4-6, and the other is children ages 7-11. We have flexibility according to your child's birthdate/current grade level. Please reach out with specific questions.

**Q5. Can you accommodate learners with special needs?**

Yes, we are committed to supporting learners with a diverse range of learning needs. The Nest strives to provide an inclusive environment where every student feels welcome and valued. While we endeavor to accommodate various learning requirements, please note that our staff does not include dedicated counselors or administrators available for extended one-on-one support during the day. If your child requires more intensive assistance, we recommend discussing their specific needs with us to determine if our setting is the right fit. We encourage open communication and are more than willing to discuss any concerns or questions you may have regarding your child's participation in The Nest. Please feel free to reach out to us to explore how we can best support your child's learning journey.

**Q6. I want to help. How can I help?** Thank you, thank you, thank you! We are really hoping for this to be more than just a drop off co-op for a few hours a week. We want to be a part of your homeschool. We want to support you. We want to create a beautiful community with you. If you want to help with planning field trips or events or anything, please reach out with your ideas!

## **Q7. What are the class descriptions?**

### **Art:**

Ages 4-11 Introduces young children to fundamental creative skills through hands-on exploration of colors, shapes, textures, and basic techniques in drawing, painting, and sculpting. The sequence progresses from open-ended sensory experiences to guided projects that develop fine motor skills, creativity, and confidence in self-expression.

### **Book Club/Creative Writing:**

The book club course, for ages 4-6, is designed to foster a love of reading that will extend well past their school aged years. Students will engage in read aloud and shared reading of early reading novels and passages. This course will extend their interest in reading with corresponding hands-on projects.

In the creative writing course, for students ages 7-10, students will learn to develop their written expression, both individually and collaboratively, using figurative language and other writing strategies, in order to bring their writing to life. Students will develop confidence in their early writing stages to produce writing they are proud to share.

### **Music:**

Ages 4-6 each week students will have a letter of the week. The class will learn to read basic music notation, play instruments such as glockenspiels, boom whackers, hand chimes, and drums. We also use props for guided movement and music learning.

Ages 7-10 will focus on note reading, and rhythmic notation. We will use books with Orff-Schulwerk ensemble playing and music exploration for the first half of the year. When students are ready, we will introduce recorder, ukulele, and/or hand chimes into the class for the second half of the year. Lessons are inspired by various philosophies of music learning that practice hands-on learning and foster a love for music for years to come.

### **Science:**

Ages 4-10 is a gentle, nature focused, Charlotte Mason inspired, secular curriculum, Blossom and Root. Your child will explore multiple areas of nature and science through engaging activities, creative thinking, and nature Journaling that is tailored to your child's appropriate age and developmental level. Each lesson in Blossom and Root is designed to meet the needs of all learning styles through a variety of different activities. Each lesson is separated into categories to engage your kids in the way they learn the best. The categories are: For the minimalists, book basket folks, visual learners, outdoor learners, table lab crowd, crafts and projects families, and the option to mix and match.

### **Spanish:**

Ages 4-6 is designed to engage young students in a fun, playful way that will develop a positive association with language learning. The lessons will include storytelling, song & verse, games, and role playing.

Ages 7-10 is designed to build foundational language skills centered around vocabulary, grammar, & pronunciation. The lessons will not only include storytelling, song & verse, games, & role playing, but will also include reading and writing.

If you have questions for any of us our email addresses are below.

Music with Ms. Kasie (Monday and Thursday)- [musicwithmisskasie@gmail.com](mailto:musicwithmisskasie@gmail.com)

Book Club/Creative Writing with Ms. Jess (Monday and Thursday)- [ncstewcrew@gmail.com](mailto:ncstewcrew@gmail.com)

Spanish with Ms. Jessica (Monday and Thursday)- [jdgray614@gmail.com](mailto:jdgray614@gmail.com)

Science with Ms. Meaghan (Thursday)- [meaghanmitchell11@gmail.com](mailto:meaghanmitchell11@gmail.com)

Art with Ms. Katie (Thursday)- [krmoore1020@gmail.com](mailto:krmoore1020@gmail.com)

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# 2025-2026



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\*\*Class times subject to change

# SCHEDULE

### MONDAY

MONDAY	Ms. Jessica G.	Ms. Jessica S.	Ms. Kasie
9:30-10:10	Spanish 7-10	Book Club 4-6	
10:10-10:25	Snack	Snack	Snack
10:25-11:05		Creative Writing 7-10	Music 4-6
11:05-11:45	Spanish 4-6		Music 7-10

### THURSDAY

THURSDAY	Ms. Jessica G.	Ms. Jessica S.	Ms. Meaghan	Ms. Katie	Ms. Kasie
9:30-10:10	Spanish 7-10	Book Club 4-6			
10:10-10:50	Spanish 4-6			Art 7-10	
10:50-11:30		Creative Writing 7-10		Art 4-6	
11:30-12:10			Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
12:10-12:50			Science 4-6		Music 7-10
12:50-1:30			Science 7-10		Music 4-6

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