



New Canaan Nature Center

Little Explorers – Winter/Spring 2025

A caregiver and child program

An introduction for young children to the natural and social world. Children and caregivers, together with their classmates, will explore the environment they play in and discover the cycles of the seasons. Children and caregivers will learn about all that mother nature has to offer.

Our Little Explorers class is for caregivers with children aged 18 months to 36 months. We meet once a week for one and a half hours. This group time provides important socialization for the young child and acclimates them to a group setting with the comfort of their caregiver still close by. It also allows caregivers to meet other caregivers in the area and gain friendship and support from each other.

During our group time, the children engage in free play in an outdoor space designed for our youngest members. The teacher then leads the group in circle time with movement, songs, and a puppet story. We then go for a nature walk on our 40 acres of trails to discover new adventures. Then at the end of our time together we sing a goodbye song.

Children attend one day per week.

Program Days: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday

Class Location: Children's Garden-Green House-Green Room (teacher will indicate meeting location)

Program Time: 9:15 am – 10:45 am

Cost: Monday \$750, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday \$800

Monday Program Dates: 1/13, 1/27, 2/3, 2/10, 2/24, 3/3, 3/10, 3/17, 3/24, 3/31, 4/7, 4/21, 4/28, 5/5, 5/12

(no class 1/20, 2/17, 4/14) 15 weeks

Tuesday Program Dates: 1/14, 1/21, 1/28, 2/4, 2/11, 2/25, 3/14, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 4/1, 4/8, 4/22, 4/29, 5/6, 5/13

(no class 2/18, 4/15) 16 weeks

Wednesday Program Dates: 1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2/12, 2/26, 3/5, 3/12, 3/19, 3/26, 4/2, 4/9, 4/23, 4/30, 5/7, 5/14

(no class 2/19, 4/16) 16 weeks

Thursday Program Dates: 1/16, 1/23, 1/30, 2/6, 2/13, 2/27, 3/6, 3/14, 3/20, 3/27, 4/3, 4/10, 4/24, 5/1, 5/8, 5/15

(no class 2/20, 4/17) 16 weeks

Friday Program Dates: 1/17, 1/24, 1/31, 2/7, 2/14, 2/28, 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 3/28, 4/4, 4/11, 4/25, 5/2, 5/9/ 5/16

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