

PRESCHOOL AND PRE-KINDERGARTEN

CODE COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

August 2026

The following is information about our Preschool/Pre-K program and facility. This serves as a “Public Disclosure Statement” that is required in order to comply with the “Religious Exemption Law” for the State of Virginia. The Code of Virginia, Section 22.1-289.031, allows child day care centers operated by religious institutions the opportunity to file for an exemption from licensure by meeting documentation and other requirements specified within the religious exemption law. Our program is exempt from licensure with basic health and safety requirements, but has no direct oversight by the Department of Education. The statements below have been prepared and distributed to meet the requirements of the religious exemption law.

- The teachers and aides for this program must be Christians who desire to serve the Lord by ministering to preschool-age children. Experience with preschool-age children is required to teach this class.
- The Preschool and Pre-K will be held at Grace Christian Elementary School at 116 Cedar Green Road, Staunton, Virginia.
- The program will utilize two classrooms and three bathrooms. Classroom A (Preschool Room A102) is 754 sq. ft, Classroom B (Pre-K Room D416), and Classroom C (ASC as needed) is 1091 sq. ft. Kitchen facilities are not available for use by the Preschool or Pre-K program. Play equipment consists of a grass lawn, climbing structure, and basketball court.
- Legislation to protect students from lead in drinking water was implemented in 2024. The school tested multiple fixtures throughout our building. This included a hallway drinking water fountains, bathroom sinks, and classroom sinks. The samples were analyzed by a state certified lab, and results showed that only a slight trace of lead was detected in some of our fixtures. Where lead was detected, it was well below the limit set for safe consumption. Official lab reports are on file at the school.
- The maximum number of students we will enroll in our Preschool and Pre-K program will be 54 (per local building official).
- The children will bring a snack and drink from home. If students stay in the Aftercare Program, lunches will be brought from home.
- Staff employed for this program must be certified by a practicing physician to be free from any disability that would prevent them from caring for children. Documentation is on file at the school.
- The program is covered by public liability insurance that provides coverage in the event that someone brings suit for personal or bodily harm suffered during the operation of this program as a result of negligence.
- A person trained and certified in CPR and first aid will be present at the school whenever the children are present. Medications will not be administered at school.
- The state law does not require a physical exam for children entering Preschool or Pre-K, however proof of immunization is required. All children in this program are encouraged to have a completed School Entrance Health Form on file at the school before entering Kindergarten.
- A copy of each child’s birth certificate must be on file at the school to provide proof of the child’s identity and age.
- There are three options for tuition payment:
 - One month payment plan: A 2% discount is given if full tuition is paid in June.
 - Two month payment plan: First half of total tuition is paid in June and the second half in December.
 - Monthly payment plan: Tuition is paid in monthly installments beginning in June and ending in May.