Guide to North Coast

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Head Start Preschool
HEAD START PRESCHOOL

Contact Information:
Address: 330 South Lincoln, Fort Bragg  
Site Administrator: Jessica Ballard  
Phone Number: (707) 964-5961  
Email: fortbraggss@ncoinc.org

Preschool Information:
Days: Monday – Thursday, September - May  
Hours: AM class – 8:00am – 12:00pm  
PM class – 12:30pm – 4:30pm  
Rates: No cost to eligible families  
Maximum Occupancy: 20 students at a time  
Teacher/Child Ratio: 17:3  
Ages: 0 – 5 years old and Pregnant Women  
0 – 3.9 years old (Early Head Start Home Base Program)  
3 – 5 years old (Head Start Center Program)

Additional Information
* Head Start program is administered by North Coast Opportunities, Inc. of Ukiah  
* The Head Start program provides Federal grants to local public and private non-profit and for-profit agencies to provide comprehensive child development services to economically disadvantaged children and families, with a special focus on helping preschoolers develop the early reading and math skills they need to be successful in school.  
* Head Start programs promote school readiness by enhancing the social and cognitive development of children through the provision of educational, health, nutritional, social and other services to enrolled children and families
Redwood State Preschool
REDWOOD STATE PRESCHOOL

Contact Information:
Address: 324 South Lincoln St, Fort Bragg  Phone Number: (707) 961-2860 x3562  
Website: Under Fort Bragg Unified School District  
Site Administrator: Juliana Sanchez  Email: jsanchez@fbusd.us

Preschool Information:
Days: Monday - Friday  
Hours: AM class – 8:30am – 11:30am  
PM class – 11:30am – 2:30pm  
Rates: No tuition  
Maximum Occupancy: 32 at a time  
Teacher/Child Ratio: 8:1  
Ages: 3-5 (No daycare)

Additional Information
*Redwood state preschool has a bilingual staff  
*Breakfast is served to the students in the AM class  
*Lunch is served to the students in the PM class  
*accepted by age – must be 4 before November 2nd are prioritized and lowest income  
*Families and staff are provided with a parent handbook with more information.
Children’s Garden Preschool

Mission: “To provide a nurturing, engaging and developmentally appropriate preschool experience that seeks to meet the unique needs and interests of each child.”
CHILDREN’S GARDEN PRESCHOOL

Contact Information:
Address: 634 North Franklin, Fort Bragg (behind St. Michael’s Church)
Phone Number: (707) 969-7116  Website: casparchildrensgarden.org
Site Administrator: Sandra Mix  Email: smwm85@gmail.com

Preschool Information:
Days: Monday – Friday (Require a minimum of 2 days/week)
Hours: 8:30am – 3:30pm
       9:00am-Noon & Noon-3:30pm (State Preschool)
Rates: Accept private pay, state preschool and NCO funds.
       8:30am-Noon or Noon-3:30pm $25/session
       $46 for both
Maximum Occupancy: 20 students at a time
Teacher/Child Ratio: 8:1
Ages: 30 months - Kindergarten

Additional Information
“We served families for 28 years as Caspar Children’s Garden. We have a play-based curriculum. Our teachers have almost 60 years’ experience in early childhood, play based programs.”
Glass Beach Preschool

Mission: “To be a resource to families in our community by having an effective play based preschool program, infant center program and an after school program for Kindergartners that provides a wide variety of materials, activities and age appropriate projects in a nurturing, supportive and friendly environment.”
GLASS BEACH PRESCHOOL

Contact Information:
Address: 930 Stewart Street, Fort Bragg
Site Administrator: Erica Zamarripa - Larkin
Phone Number: (707) 961-9611
Email: gbpccc@att.net

Preschool Information:
Days: Monday - Friday
Hours: 9:00am – 12:00pm
- 2 days/week $190/month
- 3 days/week $257/month
- 4 days/week $339/month
- 5 days/week $417/month
- Drop-in pre-school $22.50/day
Maximum Occupancy: 35 Students
Teacher/Child Ratio: 12:1
Ages: 2 -6 years old

Information other than Preschool:
Days and hours: M-F 7:30am - 9:00am 12:00pm – 5:30pm
Registration fee: $45.00
Childcare (2 years – 5 years)
- Contracted hours: $5/hour
- Drop-in: $5.50/hour
Infant Care (4 months – 2 years)
- Contracted hours: $6/hour
- Drop-in: $6.50/hour

Supply/Snack fee
- 2 days/week $20/month
- 3 days/week $22/month
- 4 days/week $24/month
- 5 days/week $25/month

Additional Information
*Serving Fort Bragg for over 30 years. We care for children ages 4 months to pre-first grade and work with potty training.
Little Lambs Preschool
LITTLE LAMBS PRESCHOOL

Contact Information:
Address: 367 S. Sanderson Way, Fort Bragg
Site Administrator: Nancy Pollard
Phone Number: (707) 964-4862
Email: npollard@mcn.org

Preschool Information:
Days: Monday - Friday
Hours: 8:30am – 11:30am
Rates: 1 day/week - $85.00/month
       2 days/week - $165.00/month
       3 days/week - $240.00/month
       4 days/week - $310.00/month
       5 days/week - $370.00/month
$24.00/day for drop-in preschool
Maximum Occupancy: 30 Students at a time
Teacher/Child Ratio: 6:1
Ages: 2-6

Childcare Information:
*The child does not have to be enrolled in preschool to go to childcare
Days: Monday - Friday
Hours: 8:00am – 8:30am, 11:30am – 5:00pm
Rates: Contracted hours: $4.50/hour
       Drop-in: $5.50/hour
Ages: 2-6

Additional Information
*$35.00 Registration fee for both preschool and childcare
*Snacks provided in morning for both preschool and afternoon childcare, but children
   staying after 11:30 need to bring a lunch
*Children attending preschool do not need to be potty trained
Rainbow Preschool
RAINBOW PRESCHOOL

Contact Information:
Address: 44831 Main Street (in Preston Hall) /P.O. Box 1325, Mendocino, CA 95460
Phone Number: (707) 937-4913
Website: www.mendopres.org/missions-ministries/rainbow-school/
Site Administrator: Georgia Collin
E-mail: rainbows@mcn.org

Preschool Information:
Days: Monday – Friday
Times: 9:00am – 12:30pm
Rates:
- 2 days/week (T & Th) Preschool Class - $208.00/month
- 3 days/week (M, W, & F) Pre K Class - $300.00/month
Maximum Occupancy: 13 students in each class
Teacher/Child Ratio: 6:1
Ages: 3 – 6 years old

“Play Group” Classes:
Days: Monday – Friday
Times: 9:00am – 12:00pm
Rates: Please call for playgroup rates
Maximum Occupancy: 8 students in each class
Teacher/Child Ratio: 4:1
Ages: 2 – 3 years old  *Children do not need to be toilet trained to attend playgroup

Afternoon Childcare Information:
*After 12:30 Fun & Childcare available
Rates:
- Contracted hours: $7.00/hour
- Drop-in hours: $7.50/hour
Ages: 2 – 6 years old

Additional Information
*We offer play based developmentally appropriate curriculum with a balance of child directed and teacher directed learning activities. Teachers foster communication/social skills, problem solving, cooperation, and seek to meet children’s needs, interests and strengths and prepare them for kindergarten.
Sprouts Montessori Children’s House

Mission: “We provide an authentic Montessori prepared environment for young children on the Mendocino coast.”
SPROUTS MONTESSORI CHILDREN’S HOUSE

Contact Information:
Address: 19201 Del Mar Dr. 
Site Administrator: Sharon Richardson  
Phone Number: (707) 964-2094
E-mail: srichardson.sprouts@gmail.com

Preschool Information:
Days: M-F
Hours: 7:45am -4:45pm
Rates:
$900/month 7:45am- 4:45pm M-F "All Day Montessori"
$685/month 8:30am- 2:30pm M-Th, 8:30am- Noon Fri "Full Day Montessori"
$425/month 8:30 am - 12:00 pm M-F "Morning Program"
$350/month 8:30 am - 12:00 pm M-Th "Under 4 Toddler Option"
Drop in childcare available before and after school for students enrolled in the morning program.

Maximum Occupancy: 24
Teacher/Child Ratio: 1:8 at capacity
Ages: 2-6 years old

Additonal Information
*Mark and Sharon are both trained in the Montessori method and Sharon is also credentialed in CA to teach public school PK-12.
*We opened in 2007 as the first large family child care center in Mendocino county, and expanded into a childcare center in 2010.
*Interested families can call us to observe or to take a tour of the school before enrolling or adding their names to the wait list.
*We operate on a school year calendar and are closed during parts of the summer.
*Currently we are at capacity with a wait list of only a few children. We typically take new students at two or three years of age. We have a registration fee of $50 and require a last month tuition deposit (this can be paid for over time).
*Parents also contribute on average $150 per year for organic breakfasts and snacks. Students who stay full days bring a packed lunch.
*Siblings and those who pay the tuition annually receive a 5% discount.
Mission: “We believe that a high quality early childhood program provides a safe and nurturing environment that promotes the physical, social, emotional, cognitive and creative development of young children while responding to the needs of families and our community” (From State Preschool Handbook).
GREENWOOD PRESCHOOL

Contact Information:
Address: 5700 Hwy 1/ P.O. Box 22, Elk CA 95432    Phone Number: (707) 877-3361
Website: http://www.mcoe.us/District/Department/41-State-Preschool/Portal/state-preschool-3
Site Administrator: Diana Taur    Email: greenwoodpreschool@mcn.org

Preschool Information:
Days: Monday - Friday
Hours: 8:00am – 12:00pm
Rates: FREE to income-eligible families
       $25 per day for private pay
Maximum Occupancy: 15 Students at a time
Teacher/Child Ratio: 6:1
Ages: 2-5

Additional Information
* Play-based environment with emergent curriculum
* Low student-teacher ratio
* Beautiful indoor and outdoor space