

Parents as Teachers Program

You can also help your child's development by participating in this program!

This FREE program offers:

- Developmental Screenings
- Personal home visits
- Group Meetings

This program is available to anyone with children from Pre-natal to 5 yrs old that lives in the Maries R-I school district.

If you would like more information about the program or would be interested in its services please contact Mrs.

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573-422-3365 option 2

VELC Teachers & Staff

Director/Teacher:

Ellie Glick- Masters of Education - Administration, Bachelor of Science - Early Childhood Education, Early Childhood Special Education Certification

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Classroom Helper:

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Preschool Bus Driver:

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Parents as Teachers Implementer:

Ellie Quick

Contact Information

Please feel free to contact us at any time. Our Planning and Lunch Period is from 11:00 AM – 12:15 PM each day.

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Vienna Early Learning Center

Established in 2006
by the Maries R-I
School District



**Where
eagles
grow
their
wings!**

Mission Statement

We are the
E.A.G.L.E.S.
Everyone Achieving
Goals and Learning
Expectations
Successfully!

Vision Statement

Watch us S.O.A.R.
Success, Opportunity,
Achievement,
Readiness

Vienna Early Learning Center General Information

VELC will be operating during the 2018-2019 school year under the same format as it did the 2017-018 school year.

AM & PM Sessions There are two half day sessions. The AM session will be from 7:50 -10:50 and the PM session will be from 12:15 - 3:15. We will serve 20 children in the morning session and 20 in the afternoon session. We run on the same school calendar as the rest of the district.

Funding for the Vienna Early Learning Center is provided almost entirely through Local funds and some Federal Title 1 and State Early Childhood Special Education funds.

Cost The Maries R-I school board has decided to fund our program free of charge to parents, so if you get a chance to thank them for providing you with this outstanding free service please let your opinion be heard. However we will continue to request a \$10 per month donation for our snack and activity fee that allows us to provide nutritious snacks for our students.

Transportation will be provided through the Maries R-I bus service and/ or parent pick-up and drop-off. As state laws regulate, children can ride the regular school bus routes to VELC for the AM session and from school in the PM session only if they are four or older. All children can ride the mid day route as we have seat belts on the preschool bus, however we cannot appease all families on the mid day route as our time restraints and ability to pick up/

drop off the most amount of kids possible mandate our route.

Curriculum The curriculum here at VELC is based upon *Let's Begin with the Letter People*. We provide developmentally appropriate practices according to the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. We will offer children a chance to grow and learn autonomously, including all children's interests and needs.

Let's Begin with the Letter People has many assets to bring to our VELC curriculum as it aligns to national and state Pre-K standards, it is developmentally appropriate and has a strong focus on skills development.

Waiting List We have a lengthy waiting list that is constantly being updated. If you would like for your child to attend VELC this is the only way to make sure that eventually they will be allowed into our program. Please contact us at your earliest convenience to place them on the list. Our contact information is on the back of this brochure!

Enrollment Policy Students are eligible/notified for an opening in this order:

1) Children who are at least three years old and receive early childhood special education services - If students qualify for special education services they are then made eligible for a spot in our program. These students can receive itinerate services, outside of our building, during the time that they are attending VELC.

2) Children who were enrolled the previous year - If they are not age eligible to enter Kindergarten they can return to VELC - Once a child is eligible Kindergarten they must enroll in Kindergarten. If a Kindergarten eligible student's parent would like for their child to remain in VELC for another year, it will need to be brought before a Maries R-I team. The team will determine the best placement for the child.

3) Children who will be entering Kindergarten the next year by date put on the waiting list - This will ensure that children will have a better chance of entering our program before they move onto kindergarten. This will also help transportation issues as if they are under the age

of four they will not be able to ride the regular bus routes.

4) Children who are at least 3 years 6 months old and would go to Kindergarten the following years by date put on our waiting list - This will fill any remaining spots available in our program. **These spots will not be filled until September 1st** so that all older children are given the opportunity to enter our program over the summer break and August enrollment.

All final decisions about enrollment into the VELC program will made by Maries R-I administration and VELC staff.

***If openings occur throughout the school year VELC will go back to the beginning of this enrollment policy to fill the spots.

**If someone wishes to not have their child attend VELC for the upcoming year, they remain in their "waiting list spot" for the following year.

Quotes from our Parent Evaluation:

- "I feel very comfortable leaving my son to the educators and I know that he is learning in a fun way. The program has kept my child interested in learning and he wants to keep learning!"

- "I like the letter people, they really work!"