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Gentle Learning Preschool Welcomes New Students for Open House

Photo – Left: Gentle Learning Preschool Classroom, Right: Motor Room

Lisle, IL – On Wednesday, January 25, from 6:30-7:30pm, Lisle Park District's Gentle Learning Preschool will be opening its doors to new students and families at an Open House in their facility located at the Lisle Recreation Center, 1925 Ohio Street.

During Gentle Learning Preschool's New Student Open House, families will be introduced to Recreation Program Manager, Cheryl Patterson, CPRP, and Preschool Coordinator, Marilyn Ostergaard, who manage and assist the staff to ensure your child's first learning experience is the best it can be. In addition, students and parents will be able to tour the facility, play in the classrooms and meet the teachers that are the heart of the school.

Gentle Learning Preschool offers programs for children who are 3 and 4 years of age. To enter the preschool program in the fall of 2017, students must be at least 3 or 4 years old by September 1, 2017. Registration for the 2017-2018 school year will be accepted during the New Student Open House. Open registration will begin on Friday, January 27, at 9am at the Lisle Recreation Center. Registration is open until 2017 fall classes are full. At the time of registration, you must provide a printed copy of your child's birth certificate, proof of Lisle Park District residency, and a \$50 non-refundable registration fee.

Gentle Learning Preschool staff is committed to the philosophy of children learning through play. Play is regarded by early childhood specialists as the child's principal means of expression, problem-solving and developing social skills. Gentle Learning Preschool recognizes the value of providing a developmentally appropriate curriculum for young children. The curriculum is based on children's intellectual, social and physical needs and is designed to encourage child-initiated learning activities, preparing them for later academic success.

If you are unable to attend the New Student Open House and would like to schedule a tour of the facility, please call 630-964-3410. If your child missed the cut-off date for preschool in the fall of 2016, Gentle Learning Preschool offers a Stepping Stones program two days a week beginning January 9 from 11:15am-12:45pm for children who turned 2 by June 30, 2016. Registration for the January-April session of Stepping Stones is now open until January 3. To learn more about Gentle Learning Preschool, visit gentlelearningpreschool.org.

The Lisle Park District provides a variety of leisure activities for people of all ages throughout the year. Park district facilities include Lisle Community Park; the Recreation Center which houses Gentle Learning Preschool, SEASPAR, the Senior Center, and multipurpose rooms; Sea Lion Aquatic Park; River Bend Golf Course; Wheatstack – A Midwestern Eatery & Tap and numerous neighborhood playgrounds and parks offering amenities such as tennis courts, ball fields, walking paths and picnic areas totaling close to 400 acres. It is the mission of the Lisle Park District to enrich the quality of life for people of all ages by providing constructive and creative leisure opportunities. For more information about the Lisle Park District, please call 630-964-3410 or visit lisleparkdistrict.org.

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