

### Enrichment

Storytelling, Spanish, Music and PE are provided on a weekly basis. We also have several other programs including Author-of-the-Month, Share Your Light, and school-wide Thankful Circles. Each Fall and Spring the children participate in a Sharing Program to show off their new skills and talents. Guest entertainers, community helpers and experts also visit throughout the year. Creative Movement and Dance, Inc. offers Pre-Ballet, Ballet-Tap and Little Champs Shorts classes at Shallowford after school hours.

### Parental Involvement

One of the most important reasons for SPP's success is the involvement of our parents. Studies have shown that one of the key indicators for student success is parental involvement. Parents are involved in the classroom, in fundraising programs, on the Board of Directors, and in all areas of operation of the school. Every family is asked to complete a Volunteer Opportunities Form at the beginning of the year to identify areas of interest.

SPP offers families many opportunities to get to know each other and become involved in our preschool community. Events are scheduled throughout the year such as Mother's Tea, Daddy's Breakfast, Family Thanksgiving Potluck, Joy of Giving, Nativity Pageant, Fall and Spring Sharing Programs and Dinner, Family Picnic and class parties.



### Summer Fun

Our Summer Fun program is great for preschoolers beginning at age 15 months through rising second graders. This half-day camp is held in three one week sessions during the summer and centers around a theme with enrichment activities such as music, art, storytelling, and PE. Registration begins in March.



### Joy of Giving

"Share the Joy" is our motto for SPP's exciting holiday event. With the help of our parents and church community we create a loving, fun celebration featuring a Secret Santa Shop for our children, a children's craft-making area, delicious concessions, and entertainment.

The centerpiece of the event is our Silent Auction in which guests are able to bid on and buy exciting and unique gifts and services. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year and is critical in keeping tuition costs low while offering the greatest array of opportunities for our children. This event is the highlight of the year for our community.



*"Nurturing the whole child with love and care"*

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### Mission

At Shallowford Presbyterian Preschool we will nurture the whole child in a fun and loving atmosphere; accepting his or her uniqueness and encouraging each child to develop his or her potential through new experiences including physical, emotional, social, cognitive, and spiritual growth and exposure to the work around them.

### Administrative Staff

Director: Sarah Wikle

Assistant: Cathy Belville



### Teaching Staff

Our teachers bring years of teaching experience and education to our program. They are professional, loving adults who create a nurturing and challenging environment for your child. All faculty receive ongoing training from state accredited educational organizations and are certified in CPR and First Aid. We belong to the Georgia Association of Preschool Directors, Georgia Association of Weekday Church Schools, the DeKalb/Gwinnett Preschool Association, and the National Association for the Education of Young Children.

## Monthly Tuition for 2009-2010

1 day per week \$90

2 days per week \$155

3 days per week \$185

5 days per week \$250

Discounts are available for families enrolling two or more students.

### Instructional Program

Children grow and develop at different rates and through different learning styles. At SPP, children are given the opportunity to explore, create and problem solve with materials that are developmentally appropriate. Classroom activities are based on a play and task learning atmosphere where children are taught basic concepts through the use of games, puzzles, manipulatives, art, and other hands-on experience. Our theme based curriculum allows teachers to develop unique and creative lessons based on the specific needs of their students. Our age-appropriate learning objectives address the whole child with the goal of establishing a foundation and passion for learning. Continuous assessment of each child's progress provides invaluable feedback with parent conferences schedule in the Fall and Spring.

### Registration

Registration is held each February. Pending availability, a child may be enrolled at any time throughout the year. Waiting lists are maintained for full classes.

A non-refundable registration fee of \$150 for each child, which includes an activity/supply fee, is required at registration.

SPP is a not-for-profit organization which operates entirely on proceeds from tuition and fundraising. Yearly tuition is paid in nine equal monthly payments on the first day of each month except for the month of May which is paid in advance.

### Classes

Classes are offered from 9 am to 1 pm daily with a Lead teacher and Assistant in each class according to the following ratios:

Toddlers (1 or 2 days per week)	1:4
Young 2s (2 or 3 days per week)	1:5
Older 2s (2 or 3 days per week)	1:6
3s (2, 3 or 5 days per week)	1:7
Pre-K (5 days per week)	1:9

Students must be the age for the class by September 1<sup>st</sup> and ages 3 and up must be potty-trained. The school year begins the Tuesday after Labor Day. The school year ends one week and one day prior to the last day of school for the DeKalb County Schools. SPP follows the DeKalb County School calendar for holidays and inclement weather.