

Families First 2009 Preschool Report

	Brooklyn Friends School	Brooklyn Heights Montessori School	The Cobble Hill Playgroup	Grace Church School	Imagine Early Learning Center
Address	375 Pearl Street	185 Court Street	93 Rapelye St.	254 Hicks Street	50 Monroe Pl.
Phone	718 852 1029	718 858 5100	718 243 0440	718 624 4030	718 624 7520
Website	www.brooklynfriends.org	www.bhmsny.org	www.cobblehillplaygroup.com	www.gracechurchschool.org	www.imagineelc.com
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School Focus	Focus on social and emotional development. Emphasis on fostering independence in children to feel confident outside the home setting.	A Montessori environment focuses on the independent self within a community. Also offers The Little Room program, a preschool for children with speech and language delays.	Mixed -age classroom, ages 2-4. Art-driven program. An integrated curriculum that employs children's multiple intelligences. Parent involvement required (buy-out option available)	A caring preschool community that is open and accepting, one in which children are encouraged to fulfill their social, emotional and intellectual potential at a pace in harmony with their needs.	Each child is encouraged to actively participate in an educational curriculum designed to facilitate learning through self-discovery and expression.
Tour/Open House Dates	Tours by appointment. 718/852-1029, ext. 240 Tour dates available online.	Tours by appointment, Sept.- Dec. They begin to book tours in September. 718-858-5100 x 120. Tour dates available online.	Tours begin in November and continue through January. Call in October to schedule.	Tour required. Held at 9:15 from October 6 through December 10. To schedule, call after Sept. 16: (718) 624-4030	Tours are given regularly. Call to schedule a tour.
Application Required	Yes. \$110 fee. Must submit prior to tour.	Yes. \$75 fee. May submit prior to taking tour.	Yes. No fee, but \$500 refundable deposit required.	Yes	Yes, filled out at time of tour. No fee.
Application Deadline	October 2, 2009 Begin accepting applications Sept. 8, 2009.	Dec. 1 for 2/3/4 programs; Dec. 15 for kindergarten	Rolling admission	Nov. 16 - special consideration applicants; Dec. 16 - regular applicants	Ongoing. Everyone now is wait listed.

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Admission Protocol: Lottery, First Come, Selection, Waitlist	Selection	Selection based on first come	Applicants are admitted on a first-come first-served basis, with consideration given to returning families. The Playgroup also attempts to balance the gender and age ratios of each group.	"Special consideration" preference to siblings, children of alumni or staff, children of Grace Church members.	Wait listed.
Parent Interview	Yes	yes	No	on tour	No
Child Interview Screening	Playgroup	30 min interaction with other kids - based on child readiness	No	play visit 20 min in January	No
Late Day option	Yes (3pm - 6 pm, or hourly after 3 pm) (available to all students enrolled in full day program)	yes (M.A.P. - Montessori Afternoons Plus, until 6 p.m.)	No	no	
2's Program	Family Center 2's program	Yes	Mixed age class room 2/3/4	yes	Yes
Teacher Child Ratio		2:10	7:39 plus one parent volunteer	2:10/12	1:5, 1:3 for infants
Birthday cut off	October 1st	July 31st	Must be 2 by 2nd week of September	July 31st	No cut off date. Children are put in the most appropriate room for their age.
Hours	9:00-3:00 or 8:00-6:00 3, 4, or 5 days per week	9:15-11:45 am, 2 days/wk (Thurs/Fri) or 3 days/wk (Mon,Tues,Wed)	Tues./Thurs: 9:00-11:45 or 12:30-3:15	2 half days T- TH 9-11:30 or 12:30-2:30 3 mornings M, W, F - 9-11:30 2 afternoons T, Th - 12:30-2:30	7:45 am – 6:00 pm, Mon-Fri. Full-time schedule: Up to 10 hours a day, 5 days/week. Minimum part-time schedule: Two 8-hour days (Availability based on current enrollment.)
Early AM drop-off option	No	Yes 8:00, no charge	yes	no	
Late Day option	No	No	No	no	Yes

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Cost	9:00-3:00: 3 days - \$15,200, 4 days - \$16,800, 5 days - \$18,700 8:00-6:00: 3 days - \$18,700, 4 days - \$21,800, 5 days - \$25,200	2 days: \$7,450 3 days: \$10,900	\$3583.	\$6,300 to \$8,700	Infant/Toddler: 9 hours/day: \$1595/month. 10 hours/day: \$1765/month. Part-time: (Tues, Thurs) or (M,W,F) \$832-1560/mo
3's Program	Yes	3's, 4's and 5's mixed age class	Mixed age class room 2/3/4	Yes	Yes
Teacher - Child Ratio	2:15	2:22/24	8:39	2:12-15	
Birthday cut-off	Oct. 1st	Oct. 31st	Sept. 1		
Hours	Half days: 9am-12pm 5 days per week Full days: 9am - 3 pm 4 or 5 days per week	9:00-12:00 5 days	2 sessions: Mon/Wed or Tue/Thu afternoons 3 sessions: Mon/Wed/Fri mornings 4 sessions: Mon-Thu afternoons 5 sessions: Mon-Fri mornings	M-F young 9:00 - 11:50 pm 12:15 - 2:45	7:45 am – 6:00 pm, Monday through Friday. Full-time schedule: Up to 10 hours a day, 5 days/week. Part-time schedule: Availability based on current enrollment. Minimum part-time schedule: Two 8-hour days.
Early AM drop-off option	Yes	Yes, no charge	Yes, additional charge	no	
Late Day option	No	Yes, additional charge	No	no	Yes
Cost	Half days: \$14,400 Full days: 4 days-\$16,800, 5 days-\$18,700	Half days: \$15,750 Full days: \$24,000	2 sessions: Mon/Wed or Tue/Thu afternoons 3 sessions: Mon/Wed/Fri mornings 4 sessions: Mon-Thu afternoons 5 sessions: Mon-Fri mornings	\$9,700 - \$10,000	3's +: 9 hours/day: \$1480/mo 10 hours/day: \$1645/mo Part-time: (Tues, Thurs) or (M,W,F) \$765-\$1430/mo
Potty trained	No	no	No		Ideally

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Pre-K	Yes	3's, 4's and 5's mixed age class	Mixed age class room 2/3/4	Yes	See 3s program information. 3s and 4s are together.
Teacher Child Ratio	2:18	2:22/24	8:39	2:10-12	1:10
Birthday cut off	Oct. 1st	Oct. 31st	n/a		No
Hours	5 days 9am - 3 pm	half days 9:00-12:00 5 days or full days 9:00-2:45 5 days	afternoons 3 sessions: Mon/Wed/Fri mornings 4 sessions: Mon-Thur afternoons 5 sessions: Mon-Fri mornings 9 sessions: Mon-Thur full day, Fri mornings	Young 4's - Sept - Jan - 9:00 to 12:30 M-F, after Jan. 1st - T/TH until 2:50 old 4's - short days M & F 9:00 - 12:30, T-TH 9:00-2:50 option of 9:00-2:50 on M&F old 4's - M-F 9:00-2:55	7:45 am - 6:00 pm
Early AM drop-off option	Yes	Yes, no charge	Yes, additional charge	no	
Late Day option	Yes (3pm - 6 pm, or hourly after 3 pm) (available if enrolled in full day program)	yes, additional charge	No	No	
Cost	\$23,600	Half days: \$15,750 Full days: \$24,000	2 sessions: \$3,583 3 sessions: \$4,208 4 sessions: \$5,608 5 sessions: \$7,007 9 sessions: \$12,604	depending number of days and hours: \$12,100 - \$14,600	see 3's
Kindergarten	Must be 5 years old	3's, 4's and 5's mixed age class	No program	Yes	No program
Teacher Child Ratio	2:20/22	2:22/24		3:22	
Birthday cut off	Oct. 1st	Oct. 31st			
Hours	9:00 am to 3:00 pm	5 full days 9:00 - 2:45		M-F 9:00 to 2:50	
Before school option	Yes (8am-9am)	yes (from 8 am - free)			

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After school option	Yes (3pm - 6 pm, or hourly after 3 pm) (available to all students enrolled in full day program)	yes (M.A.P. - Montessori Afternoons Plus, until 6 p.m.)		no	
Academic screening		yes (in-house) No ERB (start 1st grade)		no	
Cost	\$27,000	\$25,200		\$16,800	
If PS, eligibility for enrollment		n/a	n/a	n/a	
Other		Summer camp for ages 3-12.	June school	16-25-month-old program available	

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	Hudson's House	Kane St. Kids	Kiddie Korner	Linden Tree Preschool and Playspace	Open House Nursery School
Address	413 Smith Street	at Kane St. Synagogue 236 Kane Street	117 Remsen St.	At Christ Church Cobble Hill 180 Kane Street	318A Warren Street
Phone	718 522 2301	718 875 1550	718 596 4840	718 624-0083	718 625 5252
Website	www.hudsonshousebrooklyn.com	www.kanestreet.org	www.kiddiekorner.org	www.LindenTreePreschool.org	www.openhousenurseryschool.com
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School Focus	Focus on creative learning activities and artistic expression through dramatic, visual and performing arts. Maintains a progressive, eco-friendly space (both indoors and out) and nurture healthy living.	Promotes children's intellectual, physical, emotional and spiritual well-being within a progressive Jewish environment which is welcoming to all. The curriculum offers children structure as well as ample opportunities for free choice and exploration in a secure, caring environment.	Progressive learning environment that also concentrates on Jewish faith	Non-sectarian. Core learning curriculum, with belief that arts and creative expression are an integral part of daily life. Daily gross motor skills play.	Objectives include promoting optimum development of children in the Early Childhood years.
Tour/Open House Dates			Tours	ours every Thursday from 9:30-11:00, through December and Sat. Nov. 7 - 9am-12pm Sat. Dec. 5 - 9am-12pm Call to schedule a tour.	
Application Required	Yes.	yes	yes	Yes. \$100 fee	Yes
Application Deadline	Applications available Jan 2, 2009. \$50 fee.	we are happy to consider applications afterwards if there is room.	Mar. 1st	Jan. 8, 2009	Oct. 15th

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Admission Protocol: Lottery, First Come, Selection, Waitlist	Lottery	Priority deadline is January but we are happy to consider applications afterwards if there is room.	First come, first served	Priority given to returning students, siblings of students. Gender and age ratios are considered in admissions of other students.	Call or email on October 14, 2009 between 9 and 6 to request entry into lottery for a tour. 718-625-5252 ext.1 or admissions@openhousenurseryschool.com
Parent Interview		Yes	Yes	No	No
Child Interview Screening		No	Yes	No	No
Late Day option		We offer the option of a quality preschool program until 6 pm	Hours are 8 am - 6 pm	No	Yes
2's Program	Mixed age class room 2/3/4	Yes	2 years old by August 1st	2 1/2 +	Young 2's
Teacher Child Ratio		2:10	1: 15 plus 3 assistants	1:5 plus one floater	
Birthday cut off	2-1/2 by Sept. 1	Sept 1st		Must be 2 1/2 by Sept. 1st	June 1st
Hours	full day- 8:30-4:00 half day M, W, F or T, Th-8:30-12:30	Most 2's are there from 9 to 12. There is an option of a 9 to 4 or 8 to 6 schedule as well.	9 am - 12:30 pm 9 am - 2:50 pm 8 am - 6 pm	2 mornings T- TH 9-11:30 3 mornings M, W, F - 9:00 - 11:30	3, 4, or 5 days 9-12, 9-1, 9-3, 8-6
Early AM drop-off option	8:00 am option		8:00:00	No	Yes
Late Day option	8:00-6:00 option	8:00-6:00 option	8:00-6:00 option	No	Yes

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Cost	full days: from 2 days @ \$6,150 5 days @ \$13,325 half days: 2 days @ \$4,920 or 3 days @ \$6,560	from \$5,220 for 2 half days to \$17,040 for five extended days from 8 to 6	9-12:30 pm 3-5 days: \$6,385-\$8,950 9- 2:50 pm 3-5 days: \$8,150 - \$11,600 8am-6pm 3-5 days: \$12,995 - \$17,800	2 mornings: \$4,851 3 mornings: \$7,214	From \$10,708 (3 days 9-12) to \$21,700 (5 days 8:00-6pm)
3's Program	Mixed age class room 2/3/4	Yes	Yes	3 1/2+	Older 2's and 3's
Teacher - Child Ratio		2:10	1:15 plus 2 assistants	3:15	
Birthday cut-off	2-1/2 by Sept. 1		3 years old by August 1st	3 by Dec. 31st	June 1st
Hours	full day- 8:30-4:00	9 am - 12 pm or 8 am - 6 pm	9 am - 12 pm 9 am - 2:50 pm 8 am - 6 pm	2 mornings T - TH 9-12:00 3 mornings M,W,F 9-12:00 beginning Fall 2010: 2 afternoons T-Th 1-4:00 3 afternoons M,W,F 1-4:00	Options varying from 3 half days to 5 full days and all combinations in between
Early AM drop-off option	8:00 am option	8:00 am option	No	No	
Late Day option	8 am - 6 pm option	8 am - 6 pm option		No	Yes
Cost	full days: from 2 days @ \$6,150 5 days @ \$13,325 half days: 2 days @ \$4,920 or 3 days @ \$6,560	Ranges from \$5,220 for 2 half days from 9 to 12 to \$17,040. for five extended days from 8 to 6	10 months schedule: 9 am - 12:30: 3 - 5 days/ \$6,385 - \$8,950 9 am - 2:50 pm: 3 - 5 days/ \$8,150 - \$11,600 8 am - 6 pm: 3-5 days/ \$12,995 - \$17,800	2 mornings: \$5114 3 mornings: \$7476	From \$9,230 (3 days 9-12) to \$22,881
Potty trained		No	No	No	

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Pre-K	Mixed age class room 2/3/4	Yes	Yes	4's	Yes
Teacher Child Ratio		2:10	1:15 plus assistant	3:18	
Birthday cut off	No older than 4 on Sept. 1			Must be 4 by Dec. 31	June 1st
Hours	full day- 8:30-4:00	Five days 9 to 12, 9 to 4, or 8 to 6	9 am - 12 pm 9 am - 2:50 pm 8 am - 6 pm	Mon-Fri 1:00-4:00pm	5 days: 9-1, 9-3, 8-6pm and Flexi5 (5 days 9-1 plus any two days until 3)
Early AM drop-off option	8:00 am option	There is a 9-4 or 8-6 schedule option.	No	No	
Late Day option		8 am - 6 pm option	No	No	yes
Cost		\$10,220. for five morning, \$14,190. for five days 9 to 4, \$17,040. from 8 to 6	10 months schedule: 9 am - 12:30: 3 - 5 days/ \$6,385 - \$8,950 9 am - 2:50 pm: 3 - 5 days/ \$8,150 - \$11,600 8 am - 6 pm: 3 - 5 days/ \$12,995 - \$17,800	\$11,272	From \$10,938 (5 days 9-1) to \$17,658 (5 days 8-6)
Kindergarten	No program	No program	No program	No program	No program
Teacher Child Ratio					
Birthday cut off					
Hours					
Before school option					

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After school option					
Academic screening					
Cost					
If PS, eligibility for enrollment					
Other	summer program				summer camp, holiday vacation camp, afternoon enrichment program

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	Packer Collegiate	Plymouth Church School	Red Hook Playgroup	St Ann's PreSchool	NYC Public Schools
Address	170 Joralemon Street	75 Hicks Street	183 Richards Street	26 Willow Place	
Phone	718 875 6644	718 624 9385	718 797 4131	718 624 2837	
Website	www.packer.edu	www.plymouthchurch.org	www.redhookplaygroup.org	www.saintannsny.org	
School Contact	Yvonne Menarc 718 250-0254	Gail Rose	Emily Rabinowitz-Buchanan	Diana Lomask	
Contact Email	ymenard@packer.edu	gailrose@plymouthchurch.org	redhookplaygroup@gmail.com		
School Focus	Packer promotes individual success within a vibrant educational community reflecting what is best in our city.	School philosophy embraces developmental principles that encourage each child's spiritual, intellectual, social, emotional and physical growth.	Progressive preschool licensed as a daycare, where children explore, develop, create, are challenged and cared for in a full day program.	Focused on gifted children and seeks to innovate teaching methods to challenge their students as they learn.	For more information, visit: http://schools.nyc.gov www.insideschools.org http://nycschoolhelp.com Schools with Pre-K: PS 369 (Boerum Hill) PS 38 (Boerum Hill) PS 261 (Boerum Hill) PS 8 (Brooklyn Heights) PS 29 (Cobble Hill) PS 32 (Carroll Gardens) PS 58 (Carroll Gardens) The Children's School - PS 372 (Carroll Gardens) Brooklyn New School - PS 146 (Carroll Gardens)
Tour/Open House Dates	Open Houses between Sept. 30 and Dec. 9. Call or email to schedule.	Tours are regularly scheduled beginning in October	Call or email; open houses begin in October 2009.	Tour information will be available in late November	
Application Required	Yes (\$125 fee)	Yes, after a tour	Yes	Yes. \$35 fee	
Application Deadline	Oct. 30th, but deadline may shift. Check website frequently.	January 15th	Mid February	Dec. 1	

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Admission Protocol: Lottery, First Come, Selection, Waitlist	Selection, priority given to siblings and legacy families. Accepts applications starting in September. Applicants drawn by lottery will be invited to participate in a group interview.	Selection, priority given to church member children and siblings of current students	First come, first serve; priority to current students and sibs with attention to age and gender balance	Selection, priority given to siblings of current students. If selected in Dec. for a tour, submit add'l \$115.	
Parent Interview	Yes- via classroom visit	no	No		
Child Interview Screening	Yes	Playgroup interviews	No	Playgroup interviews	
Late Day option	small group enrichment classes available beginning at kindergarten	no	yes, M-F 4 pm - 6 pm		
2's Program	Not available.	Yes	Program is for 2.5-5 year olds	Not available.	
Teacher Child Ratio		1:4 or 1:5	1:6, 1:4		
Birthday cut off		Sept 1st	2.5 by Sept		
Hours		Young 2's T, TH 9-11:30 am Old 2's - M, W, F 9-11:30 am, 12:20-2:50 pm	8:30-4:00		
Early AM drop-off option		Yes	No		
Late Day option			8:30-6:00 option		

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Cost		Young 2's: \$6400 Old 2's: \$8100 10% discount for church members	3 days = \$8,670; 4 days = \$10,836; 5 days = \$12,642 for Sept -June year		
3's Program	3's/4's program	Yes	Program is for 2.5-5 year olds	Yes	
Teacher - Child Ratio		1:5 or 1:7	1:6, 1:4		
Birthday cut-off	31-Aug	Dec. 31st	2.5 by Sept	Nov. 1	
Hours	2 half days (9:00 am to 12:00 pm) and 3 full days (9:00 am to 3:10 pm)	Morning 3's Mon-Fri 9-11:30am Afternoon 3's Mon-Thu 12:20-2:50	8:30-4:00	5 days per week, full days	
Early AM drop-off option		Option available	Not currently		
Late Day option	n/a		M-F 4:00-6:00		
Cost	\$19,485	Morning 3's \$10,400 Afternoon 3's \$9,300	3 days = \$8,670; 4 days = \$10,836; 5 days = \$12,642 for Sept -June year	\$21,750	
Potty trained		no	no		

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	Packer Collegiate	Plymouth Church School	Red Hook Playgroup	St Ann's PreSchool	NYC Public Schools
Pre-K	3's/4's program	Yes	Program is for 2.5-5 year olds	Not accepting applications for the 2009-2010 school year	
Teacher Child Ratio		1:9	1:6, 1:4		
Birthday cut off	31-Aug	Dec. 31st	2.5 by Sept	Nov. 1	
Hours	2 half days (9:00 am to 12:00 pm) and 3 full days (9:00 am to 3:10 pm)	Short Day 4's Mon-Fri 9-12:30 Long Day 4's Mon-Thu 9-2:45, Fri 9-12:30	8:30-4:00	5 days per week, full days	
Early AM drop-off option		Option available	Not currently		
Late Day option		no	M-F 4:00-6:00		
Cost	\$27,340	Short Day 4's \$11,800 Long Day 4's \$13,500	3 days = \$8,670; 4 days = \$10,836; 5 days = \$12,642 for Sept -June year	\$21,750	
Kindergarten	Yes	Yes	No program	Yes	
Teacher Child Ratio		1:9			
Birthday cut off	31-Aug	Dec. 31st		Nov. 1	
Hours	M - F 9:00 am to 3:10 pm	9:00 am to 2:45 pm			
Before school option		early morning drop off option, 8:30 am			

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After school option	small group enrichment classes available beginning at kindergarten	no			
Academic screening		no			
Cost	\$28,620	\$15,000		\$24,625	
If PS, eligibility for enrollment	yes	NA			
Other		summer camp			