

Battery Park City Day Nursery

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Pre-kindergarten Afterschool Program

- 3:00 Afterschool Program begins
3:00 – 3:30 Transition and Snack (provided by Nursery)
3:30 – 4:30 Enrichment (time approximate depending on program -see below for details)
4:30 – 5:00 Outdoor Play – in our private backyard playground or BPC neighborhood park
5:00 – 6:00 Free Choice/Center Time (blocks, dramatic play, puzzles, group games, etc.)
6:00 Dismissal

*Hands are washed upon arrival and frequently throughout the afternoon.

Teachers will encourage meaningful experiences to engage children's minds and bodies in learning activities throughout the afternoon in interest areas, small and large group times, and daily routines. Center materials reflect the learning styles of the children. They will be able to expand their skills through pretend play, block building, math & science manipulations, and pre-reading/pre-writing exploration. After a long school day, there is also time to relax without the pressure to conform to a strict schedule.

Afterschool Enrichment Program:

Mondays: Music with Lou is a program where singer, songwriter, and story teller Lou Gallo will lead classes in music and rhythm. He is well-known for putting popular books, such as "Trashy Town" to music. Children join him in creating new songs and playing rhythm instruments. This is a 30 minute class.

Tuesdays: Throughout the year, the Afterschool Teachers will meet with children to determine special interests and then create related activities such as: a cooking club, specialty art, performances written by children, or book making.

Wednesdays: Move with Sheri -- Our *Creative Dance Program* stresses development of physical and language skills, imagination, and socialization while building self-confidence. Dance will offer imagery, ballet, creative movement, and jazz. We will embrace multicultural influences from around the world through music and movement. *Yoga* is a natural and healthy way to exercise while strengthening the connection between mind, body, and spirit. Children playfully move, bend, and stretch their bodies in easy, natural, and fun-filled ways. They develop body awareness while learning relaxation and concentration skills. Yoga & Creative Dance alternate weeks with Sheri Celentano. This is a 30 minute class.

Thursdays: Throughout the year, the Afterschool Teachers will meet with children to determine special interests and then create related activities such as: a cooking club, specialty art, performances written by children, or book making.

Fridays: Every Friday afternoon the pre-k and preschool classrooms will combine to greet each other and share music. The classrooms take turns being host and lead the children in new songs, favorite medleys, and fun dances. Children are encouraged to "show off" their individual talents to build self-esteem & confidence.

The Neighborhood: The children explore Battery Park City whenever they want to visit a park, playground, community business, or simply to observe life around us. Children learn to hold hands, help classmates, and listen to teacher's safety tips as they explore.

Contact us for tuition schedule and information about Pre-k Non-attendance Days