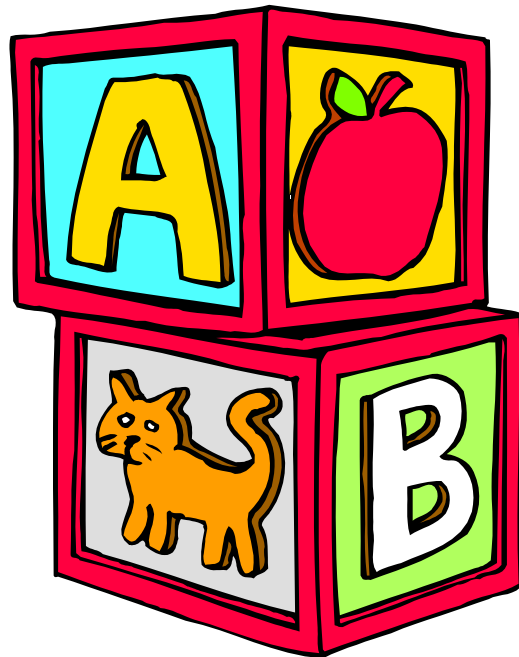


Harry Lee Cole School

Integrated Preschool

2007 – 2008



*Harry Lee Cole School Integrated Preschool is accredited by the
National Academy of Early Childhood Programs*

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Who can attend?

The program is open to Boxford residents first. If there are available slots open after residents have enrolled, children of non-residents may enroll. Children must be 3 years old on or before September 1, 2007.

How can I get more information about your program?

Our Fall, 2007 Open House for parents and children will be held on Wednesday, January 10th, 2007 from 12:30 – 1:30 pm **OR** for parents only, from 6:00 – 7:00 pm. The snow date is Wednesday, January 17th.

What are your program options?

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How much is your tuition?

Our tuition rates for 2006-2007 were as follows:

RED:	\$136 per month	YELLOW and GREEN:	\$204 per month
BLUE:	\$315 per month*	ORANGE:	\$252 per month

There may be an incremental increase for the 2007-2008 school year at the discretion of the School Committee. Tuition is due the first of each month for ten months. The monthly payments are not reduced or refunded based on illness, snow days, holidays, etc. If more than one child from a family is enrolled, a 10% discount will be applied to the second (or third) child's tuition rate.

*This rate was for a five day class for 06-07. The comparable four day class tuition is \$252.00

Do you offer an extended day program?

We offer a Lunch Buddy program on each weekday except Wednesdays, which is open to all students based on availability. There is an additional hourly charge, which is also due the first of the month.

How do I apply?

Applications will be available in the Cole School Office or by calling (978) 887-2856 after January 10th. A \$50.00, non-refundable fee is required with the application.* The deadline for submitting your application is Wednesday, January 17th (or Wednesday, January 24th if we have to use the snow date for the Open House). Acceptance notification will be mailed to families between January 26th and February 2nd, 2007.

*If your child is not accepted into the program, your application fee will be refunded.

**Harry Lee Cole Elementary School
Integrated Preschool
26 Middleton Road
Boxford, MA 01921
(978) 887-2856**

Our program

The Cole School opened its preschool in the fall of 1997 to serve the children of Boxford. This integrated preschool is designed to serve children with mild to moderate special needs and also includes three and four year olds from the general population.

Philosophy

All young children learn most effectively through concrete experiences provided in a play-oriented approach to early childhood education. The curriculum is designed to encourage children's active involvement in the learning process. The Cole School Integrated Preschool emphasizes a nurturing environment that encourages independence, social development and developmentally age appropriate cognitive growth.

Program Description

The class size will include up to fifteen three or four year olds, with a special education certified teacher and an assistant. If more than fifteen students are in a class, typically another assistant is added.

Our environment is safe and nurturing. Children are provided with opportunities to work in large and small groups.

Our language-based curriculum is developmental and thematic with the "Letter People" literature providing an exposure to letters and sounds. This curriculum promotes a child's social, emotional, physical and cognitive growth.

Therapists (physical, occupational and speech) are available to children with special needs who require these services and to monitor the development of all children in the program.

Our daily schedule allows for indoor and outdoor activities, child and teacher directed activities and learning center activities. The preschool has a separate playground from the students in kindergarten through grade two.

Our public school setting allows for beneficial interactions with the Cole School community. Children become familiar with the setting that will be their kindergarten through grade two environment.

Parental involvement is welcomed in our preschool. Volunteering is arranged by teachers and parents who have completed a CORI (criminal record check) and signed a Confidentiality Statement.

Your child's progress will be monitored throughout the year. You will be kept informed of your child's development with two formal assessments provided in December and June.

Program acceptance and placement

Acceptance is based on the educational needs, gender and ages of incoming students, as well as space availability. It is Cole School's responsibility to provide the best placement that will benefit all of the students.

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Integrated Preschool Application

Child's Name _____
Last First Middle Nickname

Present Address _____

Telephone # _____ Email Address _____

Are you willing to share your email address with the following parent groups?

Check if Yes PTO (Parent Teacher Organization) BEST (private education foundation)

Child's Date of Birth (mm/dd/yy) _____ Verified by _____

Child's Place of Birth (city/state/country) _____

Father/Guardian's Name _____ Place of birth _____

Address (if different than student) _____

Occupation _____ Place of employment _____

Telephone # _____ Cell phone # _____

Mother/Guardian's Name _____ Place of birth _____

Address (if different than student) _____

Occupation _____ Place of employment _____

Telephone # _____ Cell phone # _____

Other Members of the Household:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Relationship</u>	<u>Date of birth</u>	<u>Attends Cole School/Grade?</u>
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- Please complete reverse side for session choices and Lunch Buddy preferences.
- A \$50.00 non-refundable fee must accompany this application. Please make check payable to the Town of Boxford. If your child is not accepted, your check will be returned.
- Notification of acceptance will be mailed to families between January 26th and February 2, 2007.
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**Cole School Integrated Preschool Program
Session Options
2007 – 2008**

Please select a first and second choice by marking the sessions with a "1" and a "2":

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Lunch Buddy Program

Lunch Buddies is an extended day program offered as part of our preschool day, but is NOT a drop in program. Children must be fully toilet-trained, no diapers or pull-ups. When you sign up, you are committing for the year so that we can plan appropriate staffing. Children are to provide their own lunch and drink, *no peanut butter, please*. Lunch Buddies is offered each weekday except Wednesdays. The 2006-2007 hourly rate was \$6.00*. Once enrolled, you will be given a fee schedule for the year. This schedule takes all holidays and vacations into account. Payment for Lunch Buddies is also due the first of the month.

Please indicate below what dates and times you are interested in:

- (Circle one)
- RED** Tuesday 11:30-12:30 **OR** 11:30-1:30 pm
 Thursday 11:30-12:30 **OR** 11:30-1:30 pm
- YELLOW** Monday 11:30-12:30 **OR** 11:30-1:30 pm
 Friday 11:30-12:30 **OR** 11:30-1:30 pm
- BLUE** Monday 11:30-12:30 **OR** 11:30-1:30 pm
 Tuesday 11:30-12:30 **OR** 11:30-1:30 pm
 Thursday 11:30-12:30 **OR** 11:30-1:30 pm
 Friday 11:30-12:30 **OR** 11:30-1:30 pm
- GREEN/ORANGE** Monday 11:15-12:15 pm
 Tuesday 11:15-12:15 pm
 Thursday 11:15-12:15 pm
 Friday (**Orange only**) 11:15-12:15 pm

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