## • All About Pecatonica's 4K Program

- At Pecatonica, the 4K program is a free, <u>four Full Day</u> program that runs the full school day on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. There is an additional optional daycare day open to students that are enrolled in our 4K program on Wednesdays. The school day runs from 8 am to 3:00 and Afterschool Care is provided for students needing additional care.
- Students are able to ride the bus to and from school 5 days a week.
- With a full day program, students experience consistent routines, additional time for quality play, and center activities. The students are able to explore music, art, and PE with our K-5 specialist teachers. They also receive additional social/ emotional lessons with our guidance counselor.
- The school offers breakfast, lunch & milk break once per day, paid for by parents.
  Students bring their own snacks. We have playtime, center times, whole group stories, songs, and rest-time. We also have outdoor recess and library time.
  - Please see our 4K informational packet for additional information which is provided to families at Child Development Day.
- Our 4K program uses and implements the following curriculums:
  - Frogstreet Pre-K: This is a play based learning approach covering themes of school, family and friends, safe & helpful me, creative me, transportation, critters & animals, and changes.
    - Social Studies, math, literacy, STEAM and social emotional skills are developed through engaging hands-on activities and centers.
    - https://www.frogstreet.com/
  - Conscious Discipline by Rebecca Bailey to create a positive, supportive classroom environment, and teaches students how to manage their own emotions in a positive way.
  - Learning Without Tears is a hands-on active way to learn letters, numbers and shapes, and how to properly form them. Students engage in songs, build numbers and letters with wooden sticks, and play. They also work with various tools to further develop their fine motor skills that are necessary for future math and literacy development.
    - https://www.lwtears.com/

## What is Child Development Day?

- Child Development Days are open to all students that will be entering our 4K program in the fall. This means your child must be 4 years old before September 1st of the next school year.
- Child Development Days are held in the spring at the elementary building in Hollandale prior to your child entering 4K in the fall.
- o If your child will be enrolled in 4K with a birthday before September 1st, please call the elementary office at 608-967-2372 to schedule a screening time.
- Child Development Days allows your child to visit a 4K classroom with a small group of children to play and interact with others while classroom teachers and

support staff including special education teachers, speech and language pathologists and Occupational therapists are available to meet with you and your child. We may do simple assessments or answer questions that you may have regarding school or development and childhood milestones.

- We ask that you please sign up for a time prior to visiting school.
- This opportunity allows parents to complete a child development survey and further discuss any concerns you may have prior to your child entering school.
- The Child Development dates for the fall school year will be held in March each year.

## • 4K Daycare Day

- Our 4K program runs 4 days a week with an additional daycare day (every Wednesday). This optional day is available for students needing daycare when 4K is not in session. Your child must be registered for daycare in advance.
- The fee for this program is \$25.00 per Wednesday.
- The enrollment of this class is capped at fifteen students and families will be charged on a weekly basis regardless of their child's attendance. To register your child, please call the elementary school office.
- If the number of families wanting this service exceeds this number we will look into additional staff options and have a "wait list" created for families that would like the next available seat.
- Students will work and play in the 4K classroom with the 4K support staff member as the main teacher for the day.
- Students will follow a similar routine and structure as the 4K program and will still receive breakfast, snack, lunch and rest-time as in the 4K program.

## • After School Care

After the school day, any child in need of additional child care is able to stay for our afterschool program held in the school building. Teachers will walk your 4K child to the afterschool program where you can pick your child up at a time that works best for your family. This is available M- F including early release Wednesdays. The program runs from 3:00 to 5:45. The cost is \$10.00 per day. Please call the main office for additional information and expense details.