

May 1, 2025

Dear Families:

This year we will offer one ½ day program option for the Terrific 3's Program for the 2025-2026 school year.

*Tuition will be **\$45.00** per month (**\$405** for the year) for the half-day program.

Terrific 3's will run on **Thursdays from 8:00 - 11:30**, starting **September 11th** and ending on **May 21st**.

September 11, 18, 25

October 2, 9, 23, 30 (no school 10/16 - MEA)

November 6, 13, 20 (no school 11/27 - Thanksgiving break)

December 4, 11, 18 (no school 12/25 - Christmas break)

January 8, 15, 22, 29 (no school 1/1 - Christmas break)

February 5, 12, 19, 26

March 5, 12, 19, 26

April 9, 16, 23, 30 (spring break - no school 4/2)

May 7, 14, 21

In order to attend our Terrific 3's, your child **must be 3 years old by September 1, 2025 and fully toilet trained which includes wiping themselves**. Children will not be allowed to wear pull-ups. Children need to be signed up for **Preschool Screening or have already been screened** (we will offer screening dates on - Sept. 9th and 16th) if your child was screened in another district prior to Sept. 11th., please contact the office and they will request Preschool Screening forms from the other district prior to the start of the Terrific 3's program. **Parents/Caregivers will be responsible for getting their child to and from the school, Terrific 3's are not eligible to ride the bus.**

*Full and Partial Scholarships are available to families who qualify. Please notify us as soon as possible if you are interested in applying for a scholarship as all families must complete additional paperwork to determine their eligibility. ***No family will be turned away from attending our Early Childhood program.** There may be options for reduced tuition for families that do not qualify for scholarships. We do not want the cost of the program to be a deterrent from attending.

*Mrs. Katy Hakala will be returning as the Early Childhood Teacher/Coordinator. Mrs. Sara Baars will be the Classroom Paraprofessional. Mrs. Courtney Lind is our Early Childhood Special Education Teacher and may service children with special education needs during this class time.

***We require the enclosed registration, immunization form, Terrific 3's Tuition Payment Agreement and the Application for Education Benefits, along with a \$20.00 non-refundable registration fee, to be returned by June 2, 2025. Your application will not be considered complete until we receive all required paperwork and your registration fee has been paid.**

Please return your completed forms and registration fee to:

Cromwell-Wright School District

Attn: Katy Hakala

P.O. Box 7

Cromwell, MN 55726

Thank you,

Katy Hakala, Early Childhood Educator/Coordinator - 218-644-3737 x 4134 khakala@isd95.org

Sara Baars, Early Childhood Paraprofessional

Terrific 3's what to expect and supply list

- ★ First time opportunities to independently socialize with children their own age, and explore their own emotions along with the emotions of others - supported by staff. In an early childhood education setting, children learn valuable interpersonal skills such as listening, sharing and expressing emotions. Establishing these skills early can help set children up for healthier social lives in future years.
- ★ Basic learning skills such as colors, shapes, developmentally appropriate vocabulary, large motor skills, and fine motor skills, done in a variety of ways:
 - books - exploring independently and being read to
 - circle time - learning everyone's names, singing songs, practice listening skills
 - small group projects - cutting with scissors, writing/coloring, painting, practice following directions
 - Free choice play
 - children will have an opportunity during the day to choose developmentally appropriate activities: sand/water table, dramatic play, trucks and block building, playdough, and a variety of fine motor table activities
- ★ Transitions
 - Learning how to transition from one activity to the next is an important skill for little ones to practice.
 - Many times throughout the day children will be given the chance to practice transitioning - from circle time to structured activities, from free play to cleaning up
- ★ Morning snack - I will send home a snack list after the first class period. Each child will be assigned a day to bring a store bought snack for the entire class. More information will be sent home after the first class period, addressing any allergies and snack suggestions for all children to enjoy.
- ★ Learning and Attention - In this program children have fun hands-on learning experiences! We encourage attention in one activity for 5 to 10 minutes as is developmentally appropriate for this age. Children are developing social, emotional, cognitive and physical areas and are building a foundation for future learning. Children will gain skills in listening, participating in small and large group activities and demonstrating independent learning.

Supply List - please label all your child's items with their name.

*A **backpack** large enough for a folder and a change of clothes.

*A **folder** will be used for correspondence to and from school and to safely transport your child's school projects. **(Please label)**

***Change of clothing** that will stay in your child's backpack.

***Tennis shoes** are the best choice at school. We will try to go to the gym and/or outside as the weather permits. As winter approaches, we will ask children to come to school prepared for outdoor play - winter jacket, snow pants, warm boots, warm mittens/gloves and a hat.

(Please label these items with your child's name)