

**MEDINA CITY SCHOOLS  
HELPING HANDS PRESCHOOL**

**PEER MODEL APPLICATION INFORMATION SHEET  
2021 - 2022 SCHOOL YEAR**

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Thank you for your interest in Helping Hands Preschool. Attached please find a Peer Model Application for Helping Hands for the 2021-2022 school year. Helping Hands Preschool provides federally mandated preschool services to children three to five years of age with disabilities and offers a developmentally-appropriate preschool experience to a select number of peers. Peer models are ages 3-5 and must be 3 years old by the first day of school to start attending classes. The children with disabilities must demonstrate a deficit in one or more developmental areas: communication, hearing, vision, cognitive, social-emotional, motor and/or self-help. Community peers (peer models) are selected to balance the classroom with typically-developing preschoolers and to offer a quality preschool experience to children in our community.

Helping Hands Preschool is part of the Medina City School District. *PLEASE NOTE: To apply you must be a full-time resident of the Medina City School District and must also be a custodial/residential parent or have legal guardianship or custody of the child.*

Helping Hands Preschool is located at Eliza Northrop Elementary. The preschool offers a morning and an afternoon session Monday through Thursday. Current times of each session are 9:00-11:40 am and 12:45-3:25 pm. The preschool school year will begin on August 23, 2021. Peer model tuition is \$160.00 per month and transportation is the responsibility of the parent. A billing schedule is sent home to peer models in August.

The application process for peer models begins in March and continues through the summer until spaces are filled. Peer Application forms are processed on a first-come, first-serve basis by the date that they are received in the Northrop Elementary office, and age/classroom availability. Acceptance to the program will be determined through the mandatory peer model screening process. After your application is received you will be notified of the day/time of the peer model screening. This year the screening process will be virtual.

Class assignments will be made in order to develop the best peer group for each session. Every attempt will be made to place children in the session preference indicated on the Peer Model Application form. After the peer model screening you will be notified of your child's enrollment status and session placement. Upon notification of acceptance, a \$30.00 non-refundable registration fee and completion of the registration process will be required within 30 days. This will guarantee your child's enrollment for fall. Your registration fee will be applied to your tuition payment. No refunds will be issued to families who do not complete the registration process or decide not to attend in the fall. In August, you will receive your child's teacher assignment and preschool orientation information. If sessions are full, you will be notified that your child will be placed on a waiting list.

Peer Applications forms can be mailed, dropped off or emailed (Email: [crewj@medinabees.org](mailto:crewj@medinabees.org)) to:

**Julie Crew  
Helping Hands Preschool  
Eliza Northrop Elementary  
950 E. Reagan Parkway  
Medina, OH 44256**

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact our office at (330) 636-4601.

Sincerely,  
Helping Hands Preschool Staff

## MEDINA CITY SCHOOLS HELPING HANDS PRESCHOOL

Eliza Northrop Elementary, 950 E. Reagan Parkway, Medina, OH 44256

### 2021 - 2022 SCHOOL YEAR PEER MODEL APPLICATION FORM

A peer model is a role model student ages 3-5 who demonstrates age-appropriate language, behavior and social skills and does not have special needs. Peers need to be toilet-trained by their first day of preschool. High-quality programming focuses on the Ohio Early Learning Content Standards in preparation for kindergarten.

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Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Male \_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Parent/Guardian Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Secondary Parent/Guardian Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Sessions are Monday through Thursday

Please indicate your preference: \_\_\_\_\_ AM Session 9:00-11:40 AM  
\_\_\_\_\_ PM Session 12:45-3:25 PM

Session preference will be taken into consideration. However, class assignment will be made at the discretion of the Helping Hands staff in order to develop the best groupings for each session. In addition, our morning sessions typically have much younger children enrolled. Please consider an afternoon session if your child will be moving on to Kindergarten the following year.

New Peer Model Enrollment begins March 1st, 2021. Application forms are processed on a first come, first served basis by the date that they are received in our office. You will receive notification of the day/time of a mandatory peer preschool screening after you have completed this application. This year peer screening will take place virtually. Acceptance to the program will be determined through the screening process.

This is a tuition based preschool program.  
TRANSPORTATION IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PARENT

Please return this form to the Office - Attn: Julie Crew  
Helping Hands Preschool / Eliza Northrop Elementary  
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