

Caring Corner offers quality care for children. The center provides many learning opportunities to prepare your child for the future. The developmental process of your child should be nurtured in a safe and caring atmosphere. Each child has individual qualities that must be recognized and attended to in a loving way. The curriculum provided is age appropriate and packed with many hands on learning centers and activities from children's books. Caring Corner will meet your childcare needs.



This facility is owned and managed by Marla Bridges, who has been a Tomball resident since 1990. Marla has many years of combined experience as a preschool teacher and Childcare Manager and holds a degree in Childcare and Development. She has a genuine love for children and a strong desire to provide a quality learning environment for young children.

State Licensed

Caring Corner is licensed by The Texas Department of Human Services. The license is displayed in the office area. Caring Corner is inspected periodically by this agency to ensure the best care for your child. The most recent Licensing inspection report and a copy of Minimum Standards are kept at the school for your review. Parents will be notified of any policy changes or additions. For more information or phone numbers, see back cover of handbook.



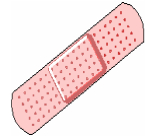
School Hours

7:00 a.m. till 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday



Health

Your child should not be sent to school if he/she is ill. This includes fever, diarrhea, rash or vomiting. Caring Corner will notify you if your child becomes ill. You will also be notified of any special problems, injuries or communicable diseases that could affect your child.



Medication

Medication must be authorized in writing indicating the child's name, type of medication, and dosage. Child's name must appear on all medication. Prescription medicine must be in original container. Medicine will be given during lunch and snack times only. If your child is too ill to participate in outside activities, you should plan to keep them at home on that day.

Food

Caring Corner will provide morning and afternoon snacks daily. (Parents may be asked to supply ingredients for children's cooking projects.) Parents are responsible for providing a nutritious lunch that his/her child will enjoy. Caring Corner will not cook any hot meals.

Rest Time

Rest time is required for all children. Parents should provide a folding sleep mat and also a small blanket or towel marked with his/her name, which will be sent home each week for cleaning. A small soft "lovie" or pillow may be sent. (It must fit in his/her cubbie)



Dress

Children should wear simple and washable play clothes. Tennis shoes are best for all activities. It is important to allow children to be comfortable and "get dirty" without the worry of a parent getting upset. Parents are asked to send a complete seasonal change of clothing (including socks) in a ziploc bag labeled with the child's name.

Toys

Children are not to bring toys/personal belongings with them. Caring Corner is not responsible for any articles brought from home.

Holidays

Caring Corner will observe the following holidays:

- New Year's Day
- Good Friday
- Memorial Day
- Independence Day
- Labor Day
- Thanksgiving Day and the day after
- Christmas Eve and Christmas Day



School Closures

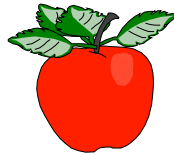
Caring Corner reserves the right to close due to dangerous weather conditions or other emergencies. Tomball ISD's inclement weather closings will be followed. Listen to your TV for closings or call to see if we are open.

Discipline, Guidance & Concerns

Discipline and guidance shall be consistent and a part of the learning process. No corporal punishment will be used. Parents will be informed promptly if their child becomes consistently problematic. If your child is unable to adjust, after a justifiable period, we reserve the right to withdraw him/her from the program. Parents are permitted access to all parts of the center any time their child is present, prior notice is not needed. Parents should notify the director of any questions or concerns, and if needed, a conference can be scheduled.

Our Staff

The teachers of Caring Corner have been carefully selected to ensure a quality experience for all children who attend our facility. Continued training in developmentally appropriate practices is required for all staff members. Our goal is for each staff member to create a warm and loving environment while providing a positive learning atmosphere for your child.



Cool Kids

Cool Kids is our older children's program for Decker Prairie Elementary. Attendance checks for AM and PM are in place. Parents are notified if a child is not present.

Weekly Tuition

Full Time Program

Infants & Creepers	\$160.00
Toddlers	\$150.00
Two's	\$140.00
Preschool (Three's)	\$130.00
Pre-K (Fours & Fives)	\$125.00
Cool Kids (School Year)	\$ 75.00
Cool Kids (AM/PM Only)	\$ 50.00
Cool Kids (Summer All Day Program)	\$125.00

- ♦ All tuitions for Full time children are due each week for the days that your child is scheduled to attend. This does include days that your child is out sick and holidays.

Part Time Program (Upon Availability)

Twos, Threes, & Pre-K

Daily rate (3-Day Minimum) \$90.00

- ♦ All tuitions for Part time children are due each week for the days that your child is scheduled to attend. This does include days that your child is out sick and holidays. However, you may substitute a day missed with prior director approval.

Other Fees

Registration Fee (due at enrollment and renewed each August)	\$ 75.00
Late Child Pickup Fee	\$ 20.00
Returned Check Fee (for each occurrence)	\$ 25.00
Late Payment Fee	\$ 20.00
Summer Reservation (per week to hold spot for summer)	\$ 25.00

Other Financial Policies

- Tuition payments are due each week on Monday and Tuesday and will be considered late after Wednesday.
- The Registration Fee is non-refundable and is due at time of enrollment. This fee is renewed by each August.
- After one year of attendance, one week vacation time will be given without tuition due. To add additional weeks of vacation, a half-price fee will be charged.
- If tuition is not paid after a two-week period, your child will not be admitted unless special arrangements have been made with the director.
- We have a 10 % discount for more than one child in the family.