

**LITTLE WILLOWS**  
**Willow Hill United Methodist Church**  
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2019-2020 School Year

Thank you for your interest in the *Little Willows* program, a ministry of Willow Hill United Methodist Church. We believe that every child is a gift from God, so children in our program are valued as unique individuals and have new adventures each week. We strive to work with parents to provide a loving, nurturing experience for every child who enters our program. Below are answers to some important questions concerning Little Willows.

**What is the Little Willows program?**

- Early childhood program providing quality care for children in a safe, fun, and nurturing environment while enhancing their social, spiritual, and developmental growth while preparing them for lifelong learning
- 3-hour program (**9:00 a.m. – noon**) which runs mid-September through early May
- Play-based and Christian-based curriculum organized into monthly themes
- Fun, creative lessons with variety of learning activities along with much needed repetition and routine
- 5 classrooms with developmentally appropriate classroom experiences (play, songs, crafts, stories, etc.)
  - **Purple Monkeys:** Children **age 2 by September 1** of enrolled school year (1 day/week)
  - **Green Frogs:** Children **age 3 by September 1** of enrolled school year (1-2 days/week)
  - **Orange Tigers:** Children **age 3 by June 1** of enrolled school year (1-2 days/week)
  - **Blue Dolphins 1:** Children **age 4 by September 1** of enrolled school year (1-3 days/week)
  - **Blue Dolphins 2:** Children **age 4 by June 1** of enrolled school year (2-3 days/week)  
 (Independent restroom skills are required for Tigers and Dolphins)

**How do I enroll?**

- **Enrollment opens to Willow Hill 2/24, current families 2/25, public 3/4**
- Complete both sides of registration form
- Submit **enrollment fee of \$50.00 per family**, payable to Willow Hill UMC
- Submit materials to Gina Hulett in church office or at [ghulett@willowhill.org](mailto:ghulett@willowhill.org)
- Written confirmation of enrollment status will follow within 2 weeks of registration...please contact office if you have not received confirmation
- Classes will begin September 9, 2019

<u>Office use only...</u>	
<b>Enrollment confirmed for:</b>	
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<b>Monkeys</b>	<b>Mondays</b>
<b>Frogs</b>	<b>Tuesdays</b>
<b>Tigers</b>	<b>Wednesdays</b>
<b>Dolphin 1s</b>	<b>Thursdays</b>
<b>Dolphins 2s</b>	

**What do I need to do or to have ready for the new school year?**

- Text @littlewil to 81010 to receive Remind messages
- Watch for a confirmation e-mail late summer and respond promptly
- Obtain written proof of immunizations to submit to church office by Oct. 1
- Prepare a backpack, with the following items, to send with child daily
  - a complete change of clothes in case of an accident or spill
  - diapers and wipes if applicable
  - sippy cup if child does not drink from open cup
  - comfort item, if necessary, to ease separation from parent

**What is the cost of the program?**

- Tuition payments are due according to your choice of method below (**checks payable to Willow Hill UMC**)

	<u>1-day a week</u>	<u>2-days a week</u>	<u>3-days a week</u>
<b>9 equal payments</b> (due Sep 1, Oct 1,...May 1)	<b>\$40</b>	<b>\$75</b>	<b>\$105</b>
<b>2 payments</b> (due Sep 1 & Jan 1)	<b>\$160/200</b>	<b>\$300/375</b>	<b>\$420/525</b>
<b>1 full payment</b> (due Sep 1)	<b>\$360</b>	<b>\$675</b>	<b>\$945</b>

**Larger payments will be prorated for those joining during the current school year.**

Please contact Gina Hulett, Director, at 309-383-2700 or [ghulett@willowhill.org](mailto:ghulett@willowhill.org) for more information. We look forward to working with you and your child.