



THE UNIVERSITY of  
**MISSISSIPPI**

## Willie Price Lab School

Willie Price Lab School is excited to announce the introduction of a new pilot program for the 2024-2025 school year, specifically designed for 2-year-olds. This addition is a result of our continuous commitment to providing quality early childhood education and care for children, and we believe it will greatly benefit our youngest learners. The program will be limited to twelve children, and enrollment will follow the current WPLS enrollment eligibility guidelines, which can be found on our website [willieprice.olemiss.edu](http://willieprice.olemiss.edu). The program will run from 7:30 am to 3:30 pm, and there will be no after-school program for this age group. To be eligible, **children must be 2 years of age by September 1, 2024.**

This program will focus on nurturing the developmental needs of toddlers, providing them with a safe and stimulating environment to explore, learn, and grow. Our curriculum will be tailored to their unique needs, promoting their cognitive, social, emotional, and physical development.

The application window for the 2K program will open on **February 28, 2024, at 9:00 am.** We believe this new program will be a valuable addition to our early childhood offerings and look forward to the positive impact it will have on our children.

### Enrollment Eligibility for 2-year-olds

WPLS does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national, and ethnic origin in the administration of its educational policies, admission policies, and other school-administered programs.

- Children eligible for WPLS enrollment must be 2 years old on or before September 1 of the enrollment year to be admitted to the 2K program.
- Children applying for the 2-year-old program do not need to be toilet-trained at the time of enrollment.

### WPLS Application Process for 2-year-olds for the 2024-2025 School year

Applications for the new 2-year-old program will be accepted between **Wednesday, February 28, 2024, at 9 am and March 22, 2024.** The application can be found on our website [willieprice.olemiss.edu](http://willieprice.olemiss.edu). The application must be completed online, and the stated application fee will be accepted via phone (for credit card payments) or at WPLS (check or money order) between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. at Willie Price in Kinard Hall. Once the application and the fee are submitted, the child will be placed in the waiting pool. When applications are in the waiting pool, it is the parents'/guardians' responsibility to update application information, such as mailing address, email address, place of employment, etc. Due to the limited number of spaces in the program, **enrollment preference will be given first to families with siblings currently enrolled at WPLS (the 23-24 school year and with signed contracts for the 24-25 school year) and then to university-affiliated families who apply during the abovementioned application period. If enrollment is not filled, priority will then be given to families of previously enrolled children at WPLS, followed by families in the community.** After March 22, 2024, all applications will be considered in the order they are submitted. Once the admission decision as outlined below is made, an Enrollment Intent Form is mailed or provided to each selected student. Intent letters will be emailed beginning April, 2, 2024. The Enrollment Intent Form and the Supply Fee that is included on the Intent Form must be submitted by the stated deadline. If the Enrollment Intent Form and the Supply Fee are not received at WPLS by the designated deadline, then the child's enrollment slot is forfeited.

### **WPLS Enrollment Intent Form/Supply Fee and Packet Process**

Once individuals/families receive the Enrollment Intent Form, the Form and the Supply Fee (amount indicated on the Intent Form) must be received by the date designated on the Enrollment Intent Form. After receiving the Enrollment Intent Form and the Supply Fee at WPLS, an Enrollment Packet will be emailed to the individuals/families. The Enrollment Packet and all materials as required in the Packet will be due at WPLS on the designated deadline.

### **Tuition Information**

The 2024-2025 school year tuition for the 2K program will be \$780 per month for non-university affiliated families and \$680 per month for university-WPLSaffiliated families. There is also a \$275 non-refundable supply fee due at the time the Intent form is submitted.