

# Little Panthers

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Address: **205 W. Washington St. DeWitt**

Phone: **Community Education Office: 668-3460**

Website: <http://www.dewittschools.net/home/community-education/preschool>

Contact Email: **commed@dewittschools.net**

Director: **Michelle Wilcox**

## PHILOSOPHY/GENERAL PURPOSE

Mission Statement/Philosophy

***Little Panthers is committed to providing a safe, fun, and nurturing environment where children can learn through play.***

**In order to achieve this we are committed to:**

- **Recognizing and respecting the uniqueness of each child**
- **Providing developmentally appropriate programs that address the needs of the child in many areas including:**
  - **Social**
  - **Emotional**
  - **Physical**
  - **Intellectual**
  - **Creative**
- **Providing professional, high quality enrichment centers**
- **Maintaining on-going communication with families, schools and the community**
- **Supporting a fully licensed, trained, professional staff**

Type of Program:

**3-5 year olds, High Scope curriculum, tuition based**

## CLASSROOM INFORMATION

Average Class Size: 20

Child/Teacher Ratio:

Licensed Capacity: 26

Diet/Allergy:

**Fuerstenau Early Childhood Center is a peanut and tree-nut free building.**

Schedule/Days of the Week /Hours:

**2 day T/Th, 3 day M/W/F, 4 day M-Th**

**AM classes are 8 am – 11 am**

**PM classes are 12 pm – 3 pm**

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**Availability of wrap around care from 7am-6pm (limited space) – K.I.D.S. Program**

Toilet Training Policy: Required

Security:

**Our building is locked daily. No one is permitted access unless by a staff member.**

Degree Requirement for Director, Teachers and Aides:

**Director: Masters**

**Lead Teachers: Bachelors**

**Aides: CDA or equivalent**

## **REGISTRATION/TUITION PROCEDURES AND DEADLINES**

### **Registration**

All required registrations forms are available on the DeWitt Public School's website under Community Education, dewittschools.net, and are also available at the DeWitt Community Education office located at Fuerstenau Early Childhood Center. Please call (517) 668-3460 for more information. Also, you can pick-up a packet at all childcare classrooms at Fuerstenau.

### **Enrollment**

Before a child is considered enrolled, the following must be completed in full and received at least five (5) business days prior to when your child will start the program

- Enrollment Agreement
- Statement of Good Health or Health Appraisal
- Immunization Record
- Completed Emergency Card/Child Information Record (Update as information changes)
- Payment of \$150 non-refundable registration fee
- Payment in full of balances due on all DeWitt Community Education accounts
- Permission Form
- No faxed or e-mailed calendars will be accepted. Please use 24 hour drop box outside Community Education Office at DeWitt Junior High.

**Current and legacy family enrollment period is February 10-14. New family registration is February 18-28 and is available online at <https://fecc.dewittschools.net/preschool>.**

Fees:

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Little Panthers 2day session AM-8-11am, or PM 12-3pm: \$147 per month, \$1301 per year

Little Panthers 3day session AM-8-11am, or PM 12-3pm: \$216 per month, \$1853 per year

Little Panthers 4day session AM-8-11am, or PM 12-3pm: \$270 per month, \$2285 per year

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Accreditation:

Summer Classes: **Summer childcare is available, space is limited and fee is separate from Little Panthers – K.I.D.S. Program**

Extended Care Options : **PreK KIDS is available from 7am-6pm, space is limited and fee is separate from Little Panthers**

Other Information: