

A TWO YEAR OLD PROGRAM BEGINS.....



Why are we opening a 2 year old program?

We are excited to offer younger siblings, and the outside community our school's incredible bilingual program, allowing for one more additional year of French language development in the earliest years! The research is clear... 'Bilingual acquisition is a natural and rewarding journey for our toddlers that not only enriches communication but also brings unique cognitive and developmental advantages,'

The children will be in a quiet and cozy space, and outdoor playtime in a grassy area will be a priority. A small group of students will allow for a comfortable environment, where a safe, developmentally appropriate, and engaging school setting is most important.

Logistics:

Two years old by September 15

Flexible arrival time between 8-9am

Pickup between 4-5pm

11 month program: September 9, 2026 -July 30, 2027

School will follow the school calendar from September through June.

What will the program look like?

Warm and cozy

Lots of language through songs, games, movement and play

Small group with two adults

Music time

Partnership with middle school; story times and games under the supervision and guidance of the adults.

Outside play time

Snack provided by school chef with an option of lunch

Daily communication reports (sleeping, eating and bathroom progress)

French Immersion

Admission:

Priority will be given to our current families if information is received by February 1.

For current families:

Provide admissions@frenchschoolphila.org with your child's full name and date of birth. NO application is needed

For new families:

Complete an [online application](#)/fee for admission on our website. Admissions will follow up with you, and we will be sending out enrollment agreements on Feb 2.

Questions and Answers

How many children and adults will be in the PK2 Class?

We will accept up to 12 children with two adults.

What will outdoor play look like?

The 2 year olds will have their own play time and space.

Can I pick up closer to 3pm when I pick up my older child?

Of course! Pick up time is flexible until 5pm.

Is financial aid offered?

Financial aid is not offered for our 2 year old program. Day care programs for children prior to the age of 3 in the US do not typically have financial aid. There are sources for supporting childcare costs for your two year old. If you would like to discuss the affordability of enrolling your child in our two year old program , particularly alongside his/her siblings, please contact the finance office.

What if I want my child to finish in June?

Children can follow the schedules which work best for families. Tuition is a flat rate for the 11 month program.

What calendar does the program follow?

We will follow the school calendar, with the exception of the additional month of July: [2025-26 Calendar | French International School of Philadelphia](#)

Is there an option of a half day?

This is a full day program.

Will there be potty training?

Potty training begins at home and we will support your plan as best we can.

Is the program definitely happening?

We will need 8 children committed in order to open the 2 year old program. We will announce the program as definitive as soon as we know!