

# December Menu

\*Items in green are vegetarian meals.

	Breakfast	Lunch	3:30 Snack
Monday, December 2	Rice Crispies, Pineapple & Milk	Brown Gravy Meatballs w/ Brown Rice, Lima Beans, Pears & Milk	Whole Wheat Crackers & Sliced Cheese
Tuesday, December 3	Blueberry Yogurt Parfait & Milk	Chicken & Broccoli Alfredo, Mandarin Oranges & Milk	Vanilla Wafers & Banana Pudding
Wednesday, December 4	Cheerios, Peaches & Milk	BBQ Chicken Sliders, Mashed Potatoes, Pineapple & Milk	Strawberry Go-Gurt & Goldfish
Thursday, December 5	French Toast, Sausage, Applesauce & Milk	Cheese Tortellini, Green Beans, Mandarin Oranges & Milk	Whole Wheat Crackers & Pepperoni
Friday, December 6	Yogurt, Banana & Milk	Chicken Nuggets, Tater Tots, Pears & Milk	Graham Crackers & Craisins
Monday, December 9	Waffles, Pineapple & Milk	Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce, Green Beans, Pears & Milk	Whole Wheat Crackers & Sliced Cheese
Tuesday, December 10	Peach Yogurt Parfait & Milk	Ground Turkey Tacos, Black Beans, Mandarin Oranges & Milk	Animal Crackers & Chocolate Pudding
Wednesday, December 11	Rice Crispies, Pineapple & Milk	BBQ Chicken w/ Brown Rice, Lima Beans, Peaches & Milk	Strawberry Go-Gurt & Goldfish
Thursday, December 12	Pancakes, Sausage, Applesauce & Milk	Broccoli Alfredo, Pears & Milk	Whole Wheat Crackers & Pepperoni
Friday, December 13	Blueberry Yogurt Parfait & Milk	Ham & Cheese Sliders, Roasted Potatoes, Banana & Milk	Veggie Straws & Raisins
Monday, December 16	French Toast, Mandarin Oranges & Milk	Spaghetti w/ Meatballs, Green Beans, Pears & Milk	Whole Wheat Crackers & Sliced Cheese
Tuesday, December 17	Peach Yogurt Parfait & Milk	Sloppy Joe Sliders, Mashed Potatoes, Peaches & Milk	Vanilla Wafers and Banana Pudding
Wednesday, December 18	Cheerios, Pineapple & Milk	Ground Turkey Tacos, Black Beans, Pears & Milk	Whole Wheat Crackers & Pepperoni
Thursday, December 19	Waffles, Sausage, Applesauce & Milk	Cheddar Broccoli Rice Casserole, Mandarin Oranges & Milk	Strawberry Go-Gurt & Goldfish
Friday, December 20	Yogurt, Banana & Milk	Chicken Nuggets, Tater Tots, Pineapple & Milk	Graham Crackers & Craisins
Monday, December 23	Pancakes, Pears & Milk	Chicken Spaghetti, Lima Beans, Mandarin Oranges & Milk	Whole Wheat Crackers & Sliced Cheese
Tuesday, December 24	<b>CLOSED</b>	<b>MERRY CHRISTMAS</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>
Wednesday, December 25	<b>CLOSED</b>	<b>MERRY CHRISTMAS</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>
Thursday, December 26	<b>CLOSED</b>	<b>MERRY CHRISTMAS</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>
Friday, December 27	Rice Crispies, Peaches & Milk	Ham & Cheese Sliders, Sweet Potato Fries, Pineapple & Milk	Veggie Straws & Raisins
Monday, December 30	French Toast, Mandarin Oranges & Milk	Brown Gravy Meatballs, Mashed Potatoes, Pears & Milk	Whole Wheat Crackers & Sliced Cheese
Tuesday, December 31	Cheerios, Pineapple & Milk	Chicken w/ Yellow Rice & Black Beans, Peaches & Milk	<b>CLOSE AT 3 PM</b>
Wednesday, January 1	<b>CLOSED</b>	<b>HAPPY NEW YEAR</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>



# Growing Room News

Loving and Learning The Growing Room Way.

## December 2024

As we approach the holiday season, we want to take a moment to express our gratitude for being part of your child's learning journey this year. It has been such a joy to watch them grow, explore, and thrive in our classroom!

We hope your family enjoys this special time together, filled with laughter, love, and cherished memories. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in the new year, ready for more exciting adventures in learning!

Wishing you a Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year, and a wonderful holiday season!

Warmly,  
Your Growing Room Family



**Santa Clause is Coming To Town**

Santa will be visiting Growing Room during the month of December!

Welaunee: 12/6  
Bradfordville: 12/9  
Metropolitan: 12/13



**Holiday Closures**

**December 24-26**  
All Centers Closed

**December 31**  
Centers Close at 3 pm

**January 1**  
All Centers Closed



## December Parent Reminders



December 13th  
Polar Express Day  
Wear Your Pajamas

December 16th  
Wear A Christmas Hat

December 17th  
Wear Christmas Socks

December 18th  
Dress Like A Christmas Character

December 19th  
Wear Christmas Colors

December 20th  
Wear A Tacky Christmas Sweater

## December Character Education Sharing & Patience

Your child will learn through character education books, character critters, teacher role modeling, and positive reinforcement.

The holidays are a wonderful time to teach children to share. Take advantage of that at home!

As part of the learning process, your child will:

- \* Be encouraged to share things they have multiples of, such as crayons and blocks.
- \* Be encouraged to take turns by playing games.
- \* Be encouraged to wait for their turn patiently.
- \* Be assigned classroom duties so each child has a turn. For example, each day, a different line leader will be chosen.
- \* Learn that sharing is very important to building good play behaviors.
- \* Learn that sharing is a way to make friends and be liked by others.
- \* Learn that when we give to others who have a need, we help someone else.



## What is on your Christmas season bucket list to do with your child?

Some ideas you could add to your bucket list include:



- Play Christmas Music
- Visit a Christmas Tree Farm
- Write a Letter to Santa
- Get Matching Christmas PJs
- Visit a Live Nativity
- Go See Santa
- Have Hot Chocolate
- Decorate Cookies
- Go Caroling
- Donate to a Local Organization
- Make Homemade Christmas Cards
- Have a Christmas Movie Marathon
- Make a Gingerbread House
- Read Christmas Stories
- Go see Christmas Lights in Local Neighborhoods
- Create a Christmas Countdown
- Make a Homemade Christmas Ornament
- Go on a Winter Nature Walk
- Donate Old Toys and Books to those in Need
- Deliver Treats to Friends and Neighbors



## Making A Difference Employee For December

Growing Room Welaunee  
Mrs. Scarlet Faria  
Infant 1A Para Pro

Mrs. Scarlet has been part of the Growing Room Family since August 2024 and has been a wonderful asset to our team. She is always smiling and singing with the babies. Mrs. Scarlet supports not only the children in the classroom but

works hard with her teammates. Thank you for all that you do Mrs. Scarlet. We are so blessed to have her as part of our team.

Growing Room Bradfordville  
Ms. Jael Green  
K3A Para Pro

Ms. Jael joined our team in August 2023. You can find Ms. Jael is always willing to jump in and lead her class in activities she has wonderful relationships with her students and parents!

Ms. Jael loves working on art projects with the children in her class daily. Her quiet nature brings peace into her classroom. We are so grateful to have Ms. Jael as part of our Growing Room Bradfordville team.

Growing Room Metropolitan  
Ms. Alexis Williams  
Todds Lead Teacher

Ms. Alexis became part of our Growing Room Metropolitan team in August 2022. Her bright smile and warm heart make her a great asset to our Toddler classroom. Ms. Alexis has stepped into her new role as a lead teacher with ease! She is always coming up with fun learning experiences to do with her classroom. We are so thankful she became part of the Growing Room Metropolitan team.

We appreciate all you do for our Growing Room Families!

"The best of all gifts around any Christmas tree:  
the presence of a happy family all wrapped up  
in each other." ~ Burton Hills



## Superstar Classroom



Each month a classroom from each center will be chosen and rewarded for standing out from the others. This classroom is an excellent representation of The Growing Room Way!

Congratulations to our classrooms of the month!

Growing Room Welaunee- PreK  
Growing Room Bradfordville- K2B  
Growing Room Metropolitan- Todds