

# April Menu

\*Items in green are vegetarian meals.

	Breakfast	Lunch	3:30 Snack
Tuesday, April 1	Blueberry Yogurt Parfait & Milk	Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce, Green Beans, Mandarin Oranges & Milk	Vanilla Wafers & Banana Pudding
Wednesday, April 2	Cheerios, Pineapple & Milk	Brown Gravy Meatballs, Mashed Potatoes, Pears & Milk	Strawberry Go-Gurt & Goldfish
Thursday, April 3	Pancakes, Sausage, Applesauce & Milk	<b>Cheddar Broccoli Rice Casserole, Peaches &amp; Milk</b>	Whole Wheat Crackers & Pepperoni
Friday, April 4	Yogurt, Banana & Milk	Ham & Cheese Sliders, Tater Tots, Mandarin Oranges & Milk	Veggie Straws & Raisins
Monday, April 7	Pancakes, Pineapple & Milk	Ground Turkey Tacos, Black Beans, Pears & Milk	Whole Wheat Crackers & Sliced Cheese
Tuesday, April 8	Peach Yogurt Parfait & Milk	Chicken & Broccoli Alfredo, Mandarin Oranges & Milk	Animal Crackers & Chocolate Pudding
Wednesday, April 9	Rice Crispies, Pineapple & Milk	BBQ Chicken Sliders, Mashed Potatoes, Peaches & Milk	Strawberry Go-Gurt & Goldfish
Thursday, April 10	Waffles, Sausage, Applesauce & Milk	<b>Macaroni &amp; Cheese, Lima Beans, Mandarin Oranges &amp; Milk</b>	Whole Wheat Crackers & Pepperoni
Friday, April 11	Blueberry Yogurt Parfait & Milk	Turkey & Cheese Sliders, Roasted Potatoes, Pineapple & Milk	Graham Crackers & Craisins
Monday, April 14	Waffles, Mandarin Oranges & Milk	Spaghetti w/ Meatballs, Green Beans, Pears & Milk	Whole Wheat Crackers & Sliced Cheese
Tuesday, April 15	Peach Yogurt Parfait & Milk	Chicken w/ Yellow Rice & Black Beans, Pineapple & Milk	Vanilla Wafers & Banana Pudding
Wednesday, April 16	Cheerios, Mandarin Oranges & Milk	Sloppy Joe Sliders, Mashed Potatoes, Pears & Milk	Strawberry Go-Gurt & Goldfish
Thursday, April 17	Pancakes, Sausage, Applesauce & Milk	<b>Broccoli Alfredo, Peaches &amp; Milk</b>	Whole Wheat Crackers & Pepperoni
Friday, April 18	<b>CLOSED</b>	<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>
Monday, April 21	Pancakes, Mandarin Oranges & Milk	Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce, Green Beans, Pears & Milk	Whole Wheat Crackers & Sliced Cheese
Tuesday, April 22	Blueberry Yogurt Parfait & Milk	Ground Turkey Tacos, Black Beans, Pineapple & Milk	Animal Crackers & Chocolate Pudding
Wednesday, April 23	Rice Crispies, Peaches & Milk	BBQ Chicken w/ Brown Rice, Purple Hull Peas, Mandarin Oranges & Milk	Strawberry Go-Gurt & Goldfish
Thursday, April 24	Waffles, Sausage, Applesauce & Milk	<b>Cheese Tortellini, Lima Beans, Pears &amp; Milk</b>	Whole Wheat Crackers & Pepperoni
Friday, April 25	Yogurt, Banana & Milk	Ham & Cheese Sliders, Veggie Straws, Pineapple & Milk	Graham Crackers & Craisins
Monday, April 28	Waffles, Mandarin Oranges & Milk	Turkey & Cheese Sliders, Tater Tots, Pears & Milk	Whole Wheat Crackers & Sliced Cheese
Tuesday, April 29	Peach Yogurt Parfait & Milk	Brown Gravy Meatballs w/ Brown Rice, Lima Beans, Pineapple & Milk	Vanilla Wafers & Banana Pudding
Wednesday, April 30	Cheerios, Mandarin Oranges & Milk	Chicken Spaghetti, Green Beans, Pears & Milk	Strawberry Go-Gurt & Goldfish



## April 2025

### Egg Hunts, Bunny Ears, The Bunny Hop, and More!

We're excited to celebrate the upcoming Easter season with our annual Egg Hunts on Thursday, April 17th! The hunts will take place in the morning, and signs with the scheduled times for each class will be posted on your child's classroom door, so be sure to check for your child's designated time.

Parents are kindly asked to send 1 dozen plastic eggs and candy to fill them. Please drop them off at the front desk by Friday, April 11th. We will take care of stuffing the eggs to ensure they are filled with age-appropriate, peanut-free treats.

We would love for you to join us and be part of the fun! These events are sure to bring joy and excitement to the children, and we can't wait to celebrate with you!

### Growing Room Summer 2025 begins on Tuesday, May 27th

This summer, your child will embark on a season filled with exciting discoveries and unforgettable experiences! They will have plenty of opportunities to explore through science experiments, fun competitions, hands-on activities, challenges, outdoor play, STEAM projects, team-building exercises, and much more.

It will be a summer packed with fun, friendship, play, and learning, as the children enjoy new adventures and make amazing memories. With so many exciting opportunities for exploration and discovery, they'll build new skills, make lasting friendships, and have a blast along the way.

This is a summer your child won't want to miss!



### April Parent Reminders

April 2nd- Autism Awareness Day  
Wear Blue To School

April 10th- Dress Like Your Favorite  
Eric Carle Character

April 17th- Wear Pastel Colors To School  
Morning Easter Egg Hunts

April 18th- Good Friday  
All Centers Closed

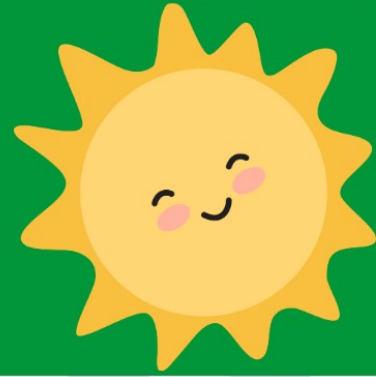
April 22nd- Earth Day  
Wear Green To School



## What's on your Spring Bucket List for activities to enjoy with your child?

Some ideas you could add to your spring bucket list include:

- Have a Picnic
- Fly a Kite
- Bird Watch
- Go Biking
- Plant Flowers
- Visit the Farmers Market
- Plant a Garden
- Go Fishing



- Blow Bubbles
- Draw with Sidewalk Chalk
- Splash in Puddles
- Go Berry Picking
- Make a Bird Feeder
- Go out for Ice Cream
- Go for a Walk
- Pick Flowers



## 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- K2A  
Growing Room Bradfordville- PreK  
Growing Room Metropolitan- PreK



## Making A Difference Employee For April



Growing Room Welaunee  
Mrs. Gabriela Roman' Pastaz  
Infant 2 Para Pro

Growing Room Welaunee welcomed Mrs. Gabriela in August 2023. She is an important part of our Growing Room team. Mrs. Gabriela loves and cares for every child she meets. She can always be found singing and dancing with all her littles. You can see how much she enjoys working with kids by the smile on her face. We are so grateful she is part of the Growing Room Family.

Growing Room Bradfordville  
Ms. Sydney Black  
Infant 2 Para Pro

Ms. Sydney became part of the Growing Room Bradfordville team in May 2024. She walks in the door each day with a smile on her face and ready for whatever the day may bring. Ms. Sydney is patient which makes her a perfect fit with our little ones. She loves to read stories and dance with the children in her classroom. We are so happy to have Ms. Sydney as part of our Growing Room team!

Growing Room Metropolitan  
Mrs. Nicole Bradwell  
PreK Lead Teacher

Mrs. Nicole joined the Growing Room Family in October 2014. She has been an asset to many classrooms during her time with us and has done an amazing job with our PreK classroom. Mrs. Nicole does a great job preparing the children for VPK and sets a wonderful example for how to do things the Growing Room Way! We are so thankful for Mrs. Nicole and all that she does for the children and families at Growing Room!

We appreciate all you do for our Growing Room Families!



*Sometimes the smallest things take up the most room in your heart.*  
- A.A. Milne

## April Character Education Be Responsible

Character Education is more important today than ever before. One of the greatest gifts you can give your child is a strong sense of personal values. Good character will not only help children who attend Growing Room become successful adults, but it will also empower them to make positive contributions to society. Below are some helpful tips to continue fostering responsibility at home:

Tips for Encouraging Responsibility:

- Encourage Independence: Avoid doing tasks for your child that they can do themselves. While it's easy to step in and help, children learn valuable lessons by trial and error. Let them set their own standards and complete tasks at their own pace.
- Be Patient and Give Time: Learning is most effective in a relaxed environment. Provide clear, simple instructions, and allow plenty of time for your child to finish their tasks. This creates a calm atmosphere for them to learn and grow.
- Ask, Don't Order: Instead of giving commands, encourage responsibility by asking for help. Children are more eager to participate when they feel needed and when they believe they can do the job well.
- Use Natural and Logical Consequences: If a child refuses to complete their responsibilities, allow them to experience the natural consequences. This helps them understand the importance of their actions without feeling pressured or judged.
- Celebrate Growth in Responsibility: As children learn to accept responsibility, they build confidence, feel valued, and enjoy a sense of accomplishment when they are recognized for their efforts.

How We Support Character Education at Growing Room:

At Growing Room, we various resources to help develop positive character traits in children. Through books, videos, Character Critters, teacher modeling, and positive reinforcement, children learn:

- To do what they are supposed to do.
- To accept the consequences of their actions.
- To take responsibility for their actions rather than blaming others.
- To keep trying, even when things are challenging.
- To help their friends and family.
- To take pride in their work and be proud of their efforts.



By reinforcing these values at home and in the classroom, we're helping children grow into responsible, caring, and successful individuals. Thank you for supporting this important journey with us!