

# **Preschool**

**Teachers and Teaching Assistants for VPK,  
Special Ed Preschool, Title I Preschool, and  
Child Find**

**Northwest Middle School**

## **Program of Study**

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**SITE: Northwest Middle School**

**Site Lead: Darlene Miller**

**SCHEDULE**

**All staff should plan to attend all three sessions.**

**Teachers should sign up for sessions on My Learning Plan by April 17.  
Session spaces are limited to allow space for Teaching Assistants.**

**Teaching Assistants will be signing up for their three sessions from 8:00 to 8:25. Please come prepared with your selections and an alternate choice.**

**8:30-9:20: Session 1**

**9:35-10:25: Session 2**

**10:40-11:30: Session 3**

**Staff will sign-in attendance in each session.**

**Please remember to complete the DLD Survey for our training! Thank you!**

***You are encouraged to carpool to the site.***

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<p><b>Pre-K Portfolio Work Session</b>  <b>This is the only time this session is offered.</b>            This session provides teachers an opportunity to work on his/her student growth portfolio. The final due date is May 1<sup>st</sup>. This is a time to do a final check or fine tune the portfolio collections. Please bring your own device and materials needed to use this work session productively.</p>	<p align="center"><b>Facilitator: Darlene Miller</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>110</b></p>
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