

**Small Steps Nurturing Center  
2009 - 2010 School Year  
Admission Information**

**1709 Depelchin Street  
2902 Jensen Drive**

What is Small Steps?

Small Steps Nurturing Center is an accredited early childhood school for economically at-risk children from the ages of two-years old through kindergarten. We are a Christian school committed to providing a developmentally appropriate education for our students. We operate two schools at the addresses listed above.

What is your school day?

Small Steps operates Monday – Thursday from 8:30 – 3:30 and Friday from 8:30 – 12:30, during the months of September to May. We operate from 8:30 – 12:30, Monday –Friday in June.

Do you provide transportation?

Small Steps has a limited number of openings for van transportation to and from the school, only for students who do not have another means of getting to school.

Do you provide meals?

Small Steps provides breakfast, lunch and an afternoon snack on days that end at 3:30 and Small Steps provides breakfast and lunch on days that end at 12:30.

What is required to apply to Small Steps?

Small Steps requires the following of its students:

- The student must be between the age of two-years old and five-years old as of September 1, 2008.
- The student must live in one of the following zip codes: 77003, 77007, 77008, 77009, 77019, 77020, and 77026
- The student's family must qualify for the free portion of the National School Lunch Program.
- The student's family must be willing to work at the School for 10 hours per school year.

How much does Small Steps charge to attend?

There is no financial charge to attend Small Steps. Family members must be willing to work at the school for 10 hours per school year.

What kind of work do we have to do?

Opportunities include helping in the classroom, kitchen or school office; accompanying the children on field trips; or helping with special events like the Thanksgiving Feast, Easter Egg Hunt or Christmas Festivities.

What do I need to apply to Small Steps?

To apply to Small Steps, you need to complete the following documents:

- Application for Enrollment
- Address Qualification Form
- Income Qualification Form

When can I apply? When will I know about my child's application?

See the attached calendar for important dates, and an explanation of the admissions process.

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Important Admissions Dates**

January 12, 2009	Open enrollment period begins. Applications accepted for the 2009-2010 school year.
February 27, 2009	Open enrollment period ends.
April 3, 2009	Admission letters mailed to new student applicants.
September 2, 2009	First day of 2009-2010 school year.

**Admissions Process**

*Applications to Small Steps will be considered in the following order:*

- 1. Returning students.**
- 2. Brothers and sisters of current Small Steps students.**
- Applications received during the January 12 – February 27 open enrollment period.  
Priority within this group will be decided by lottery.
- Applications received after February 27th.

We will only be able to give information about your application after admission letters have gone out on April 3, 2009. We will **not** be able to give out the results of the lottery drawing.