Celebrating a milestone in early childhood education

Wendy Brumitt's youngest child had one more year at Apple Hill Academy when the original owner announced her retirement. Wendy didn't want Apple Hill to be gone forever, so she bought the school.

"This fall, we will kick off our 10th anniversary as **Apple Hill Preschool** and celebrate the 35th year of Apple Hill," Wendy said.

The school provides academics and socialization to students aged 2 to 6 years in half-day



sessions that mirror the Rockwood School District's calendar year.

"It's just the sweetest place and the ladies who work here are amazing. They want every day to be the best day for the children," Wendy said. "All of our teachers are certified and experienced with undergraduate or advanced degrees in elementary education, early childhood education and other related fields. They do such a good job of creatively teaching these little children.

"Our teachers build their lesson plans around a new theme each month. The children create

art and make music, the teacher reads books to them, they participate in hands-on workshop activities, and of course, they play and have fun. We want them to find joy in the discovery of learning."

Located in a neighborhood setting, the school features a computer center, gymnasium, large deck and dual playgrounds as well as observation windows strategically placed for parent viewing.

"While we currently have a waiting list, I didn't want this anniversary to slide by without recognizing our dedicated and extraordinary staff, our supportive and loving families, and all of the children who have called Apple Hill 'home,'" Wendy said.



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