

### About the Lead Instructor for Kids Create Class:

**Jode Piotrowski** is Jackson School of the Arts Art Program Coordinator. She has a business degree in Graphic Communications from Baker College and an Associates Degree in Child Development from Jackson College. She owned and operated her own preschool, Happy Hearts

Children's Center for nine years where she worked as the director and lead teacher in the classroom, and she has worked at Northwest Preschool. She teaches a wide variety of art classes for Jackson School of the Arts for all ages. Jode's passion and love for the arts and children is evident in everything she does.



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**Kids Create** is for children ages 3 1/2-5 and is ideal for a child's first class away from home or as a supplement or substitute to traditional preschool programs. This class runs for the full school year two mornings a week for 2 1/2 hours.

Our instructors engage students through a variety of creative experiences including sculpture, painting, drawing, creative movement and music. This program provides social, motor, and creative experiences that **excite love for learning through the arts.**



## Why the Arts?

Think of "the arts" as art, music, dance, and drama. Not only is art fun, art is the perfect way to learn. Learning through the arts is a smart and fun way to enhance brain development, support individual learning, and help children prepare for success in school and in life. Arts-based learning is great for kids of all ages, but especially beneficial for preschool age children.

### WHAT PARENTS SAY:

"Jode has brought a love of learning to my children that has blessed our family beyond measure. The foundation that she created set them up for huge success as they entered kindergarten and throughout their entire educational experience. They still have **a love for learning and exploring** that I believe was developed by the learning environment Miss Jode created."

**Play clothes a must!**  
**Child must be fully toilet trained.**

### WHAT PARENTS SAY:

"Miss Jode has a gift of patience, creativity and acceptance that is unprecedented. She meets each child where they are and encourages his or her own growth and development. While still setting appropriate boundaries and limits, she creates an **open and flexible learning environment where young minds thrive.** She is a gift to education and all the little lives she touches!"



**Class runs the full school year  
September 13 to May 24**

★ **Tuesday/Wednesday 9:30-12:00**

★ **\$180 per month for 9 months**

★ **\$75 nonrefundable registration fee  
applied to last payment in May**

★ **For ages 3 1/2 - 5  
(must be 3 by 3/2016)**

★ **Children must be fully toilet trained**

★ **Maximum 12 students. Register early.**



### WHAT PARENTS SAY:

"Miss Jode's teaching encouraged our daughter to be **creative and independent.** Her use of art, music, play, and creative activities kept our energetic girl busy and engaged."

## How to Register/Fee Information:

**By phone: (517) 784-2389**

**In person: 634 N. Mechanic St., 2nd floor**

**Online: [jacksonarts.org](http://jacksonarts.org)**

This class is limited to 12 students. Please register early to avoid disappointment. There is a \$75 registration fee that is nonrefundable but will be applied to your last payment in May. Payments beginning in September are due the 1st of the month. You may set up auto-pay on your account to avoid a \$5 late fee.

**Open Houses Dates: see [jacksonarts.org](http://jacksonarts.org) or call 784-2389 for dates. We're happy to give your family a personal tour. Just ask!**



### WHAT PARENTS SAY:

"Our daughter learned so much and had fun while learning. She was so **well prepared for kindergarten.** We appreciated Miss Jode's creative, nurturing, and experiential teaching style."

