Pre-K@Rondo is SPPS’s districtwide Early Learning Hub. It is a uniform school with citywide transportation, providing a full-day experience for 4-year-olds. Early learners will develop the critical foundational skills in reading, writing, and math through hands-on learning experiences while fostering social-emotional development. Unique features of the program include Arts and Science enrichment opportunities, family engagement opportunities, and strong community partnerships.

Family Partnerships to Support Learning at Home

- Provides learning experiences that enhance skills being taught in the classroom.
  - Hands-on learning experiences through a Partnerships Coordinator who is dedicated to involving parents and guardians in their child’s education
  - Through Parent Learning Labs, parents and guardians are invited to school to engage in learning through conversation around various components of the Early Childhood Workshop used in the classroom. Parents practice skills with their child in the classroom and meet to discuss how to extend the learning at home.
- Families are involved through “Family Nights” offered throughout the school year.
- Provides a Second Step curriculum used to build foundational, prosocial skills
  - Skills that will be used throughout students’ lifetimes
  - Students work on building executive-function, self-regulation and social-emotional skills.
  (Research shows students who have strong skills in these areas do better in school and have better relationships with their peers.)

Pre-K Staff Professional Development

- Pre-K staff are provided with ongoing support and training specific to Pre-K.
  - Teachers engage in weekly professional development focusing on improved instructional practice, equity, and positive behavioral interventions and support (PBiS).
  - Pre-K teaching assistants also receive monthly training to best support the students and teachers in their classrooms.

Community Partnerships

- Tamarack Nature Center
  - Students will take three field trips to the nature center throughout the school year. Each field trip will correspond with Pre-K’s Areas of Study.
- Fraser
  - On-site consultation and support