

# Early Childhood Learning Center



The River Forest Community Center provides a developmentally appropriate curriculum designed to encourage positive group interaction as well as foster individual growth. Our teachers thrive on creating a safe and fun learning environment through play in which children are encouraged to explore and develop their cognitive, language, social-intellectual, and motor skills.

Please Join us at our **OPEN HOUSE** for parents & children  
Wed, Jan 15  
6:30-8pm

Registration **DATES** for the 2025-26 School Year

**February 3: Current Participants & River Forest Residents**  
**February 10: Open Registration**

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## Half-Day Early Childhood Programs

### Parent/Caregiver & Child Programs:

#### Munchkins (15-23 months by Sept. 1)

Our Munchkins class provides an opportunity for children and their parents/caregivers to spend uninterrupted time together exploring and learning. Activities include free play, art activities, science activities, story time, and music & movement. Class size is limited to 15 participants.

**Mon/Wed » 9:00 am-10:00am » \$70.00/month**

A \$35 registration fee plus the first month's tuition is due at the time of registration. *Registration fees and deposits are non-refundable.*

#### Playschool (2 years by Sept. 1)

Playschool for Tots is a unique program suited for children who are not quite ready for a preschool program but have begun to seek a group experience. Activities include free play, art activities, large group time – including songs, stories, finger plays, large motor play, and snack time. This program is designed to help prepare children for preschool. Parents/ caregivers are required to attend with child. Class size is limited to 15 participants.

**Playschool I » Mon/Wed: 10:15am-11:30am » \$80.00/month**

**Playschool II » Tues/Thur: 9:00am-10:15am » \$80.00/month**

A \$35 registration fee plus the first month's tuition is due at the time of registration. *Registration fees and deposits are non-refundable.*

## Half-Day Preschool

Our program follows the Creative Curriculum Approach to Early Learning Education. This play-based curriculum focuses on five fundamental principles of instruction: teacher-child interactions and relationships, social-emotional competence, constructive and purposeful play, interacting with the environment, and building teacher-family partnerships to promote development and learning.

Our teachers use weekly themed activities to incorporate basic language, mathematics, motor, and social skills in a developmentally appropriate manner.

### Half-Day Preschool – Three to Five Year Olds

#### PROGRAM OPTIONS:

**Mon, Wed, Fri (3 days): 9:00 am-11:30am » \$355.00/month**

**Mon-Fri (5 days): 9:00 am-11:30am » \$455.00/month**

All children enrolled in Half-Day Preschool must be 3 years old by September 1st and toilet trained to start.

A \$60 registration fee plus a deposit of the first month's tuition is due at the time of registration. *Registration fees and deposits are non-refundable.*

If minimum enrollment levels are not met, the Community Center reserves the right to change, postpone or cancel a program or activity.