

The Discovery Center

The Discovery Center provides a safe, comfortable, home-away-from-home environment for your child. We offer full time as well as two and three day programs to fit your needs. We believe that the child's early learning experience should be fun, challenging, and enriching, building on acquired skills over the years. We specialize in building self-esteem through positive interactions and mutual respect.



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Welcome to the Toddler Room! We are very pleased to have Miss Nicole Kramer as our Lead Teacher.

Nicole has been with our center since January of 2005. She has a Bachelors Degree in Family and Consumer Science, and her STARS Basic Training certificate. She also completes 10 hours of continuing education each year. Her years of teaching experience include working with toddlers, preschoolers, and school age children, with an emphasis on toddlers.

Miss Sarah Sparks is assisting in the toddler room. She has several years of experience with children from infants to school age. She has completed her STARS training, and is finishing her AA degree in ECE. She furthers her knowledge through ten hours of continuing education each year. Sarah loves the toddlers and looks forward to watching them grow and develop.

Developmental Focus

We understand that toddlers need lots of patience, love, and gentle guidance as they work towards independence. The child-teacher ratio is 7:1, with a maximum of 12 children. The classroom is set up to provide opportunities for free choice as well as teacher guided activities. There are duplicate toys so that each child can have the same one as someone else's! No two toddlers develop in the same way, and we value each child as an individual.

There are opportunities for exploration and discovery as toddlers gain their independence. They work on cognitive and physical skills through play, songs, stories, and practicing self-help skills. Toddlers are guided through social situations and taught age-appropriate conflict resolution strategies to help build social skills.

What to Bring

Parents provide diapers/pull-ups, wipes, and 2-3 changes of clothes. Parents also provide a blanket for napping, to be taken home at the end of the week for laundering. We provide the cot sheets, and launder them each week or as needed.

We provide healthy meals and snacks, but if your child is on a restricted diet due to allergies or personal preference, we ask that you provide these items. Please label and date all foods brought from home.

****We are a nut-free facility.**

Daily Schedule

7:00-7:30 Good Morning

7:30-8:00 Breakfast served

8:00-8:30 Free choice in classroom**

8:30-9:00 Large motor/Movement

9:00-9:20 Wash hands/morning snack

9:20-9:35 Circle Time (theme songs, stories, finger plays, etc.)

9:35-10:00 Art exploration**

10:00-10:40 outside play

10:40-11:00 Diapers/potty, stories**

11:00-11:30 Wash & Lunch

11:40-2:00 Nap time

2:00-2:40 Wake up/diapers, fine motor**

2:40-3:00 Language activities

3:00-3:20 Wash hands/snack

3:20-4:00 Outside play

4:00-4:40 Music/movement**

4:40-5:00 Dramatic play

5:00-5:20 Late p.m. snack

5:20-6:00 Diapers/clean up/good bye**

****Diapers are changed every two hours or as needed.**