



Early Education Center



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**A program of
excellence for young
children and their
families!**



Program Goals

To provide quality, interactive learning experiences that encourage social, emotional, spiritual, physical, and intellectual growth.

To provide a learning program that will help prepare pre-service teachers by linking the GCC Early Childhood Education Program philosophically to the Early Education Center.

Education Dept. Personnel:

The EEC employs three certified teachers, each with Masters in Education. The teachers have a plethora of experience teaching early childhood, special education, and content specific areas. Each teacher is responsible for creating and implementing developmentally appropriate lessons for each class. The EEC teachers also mentor and supervise Grove City College field students in each class.

GCC education students are scheduled to complete volunteer hours within each class. This mentor program allows each child extra support and a more personal preschool experience. This partnership helps GCC to mold future teachers through their experiences here in the EEC.

Program Design

The Early Education Center has:

- * A program of quality, interactive learning experiences led by certified teachers in connection with Grove City College education majors that encourages social, emotional, spiritual, physical, and intellectual growth of every child.
- * Developmentally appropriate, research-based best practices instruction that include independent, small group, and large group activities to encourage creativity, problem solving, and independent and collaborative thinking.
- * Class size limited to ensure a welcoming learning environment
- * Beneficially low child to adult ratio
- * Inclusive environment for children and adults
- * Values Foundation: Respect, Responsibility, Peace, Love

3/4 Year Old Program:

Meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30-11:00 am
OR 12:30-3:00 pm.

Children must be toilet-trained and 3 years old by September 1st. Classroom activities emphasize socialization within a community setting and basic developmental skills.

4/5 Year Old Program:

Meets Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 8:30-11:00 am
OR 12:30-3:00 pm.

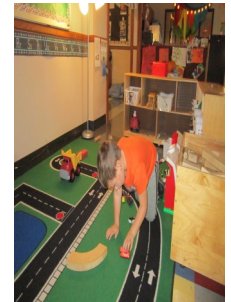
Classroom activities are specifically designed to strengthen and expand basic skill development prior to attending kindergarten. Exploration and problem solving are actively encouraged.



Program Features

Various Activities:

- Values
- Art
- Music
- Dramatic Play
- Blocks/Building
- Sensory/Discovery
- Health/Nutrition
- Reading/Writing
- Games/Manipulatives
- Science/Math
- Large motor



Skills developed:

- Social/emotional
- Spiritual
- Cognitive/language
- Psychomotor



Plus:

- Field Trips
- Daily Snacks
- Birthday Celebrations
- Special Events

