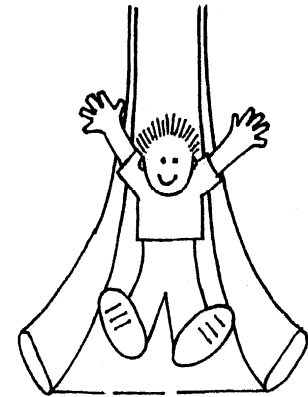




ECDC NURSERY SCHOOL



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ECDC Nursery School, Inc.
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ECDC Nursery School, Inc. is a non-profit, non-sectarian organization open to all eligible children and families regardless of race, religion, national origin, cultural heritage, political beliefs, marital status, sexual orientation, or disabilities.

STAY AND PLAY

ECDC offers a Stay and Play program after school, from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Children bring their lunches and have time for more fun with their favorite toys, games, and projects as well as some extra time on the playground.

SUMMER PLAYGROUND

When the school year ends, ECDC offers a summer program on the playground. The program runs Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Children enjoy arts and crafts, sports, and water fun all outside on the playground.

REGISTRATION

Registration for the following school year begins in September of the previous year. There is a \$150 non-refundable registration fee due upon enrollment.

TO LEARN MORE

For more information, please contact the school at (508) 653-9149. We can answer any questions about the school and arrange a tour. In addition, look at our website www.ecdcpreschool.org



WELCOME TO ECDC!

ECDC Nursery School provides children with a warm and nurturing environment that encourages social, emotional, physical and intellectual growth. Here are a few facts about our school:

- The school director and all teachers are certified early childhood educators.
- Parents are an important part of our program. The school is a parent cooperative, allowing the parents to be involved both in the classroom and in the management of the school.
- We use theme-based teaching. Every two weeks, new themes are used to teach children about different subjects and provide an exciting approach to learning.
- Our school is open to children ages 2 years 9 months to pre-kindergarten. We offer three different programs:
 - For 3-year olds, a three day a week program from 8:45 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
 - For 4-year olds, a four day a week program from 8:45 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
 - A pre-k afternoon program three or four days a week from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. This session focuses on preparing children for kindergarten.
- The school consists of four newly renovated classrooms and an outdoor playground providing the children with

different toys and activities throughout the day.

- We offer an extended day program two days a week from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and a lunch program three days a week until 12:15.

ABOUT OUR PROGRAM

ECDC was formed in 1971 based on the belief that the first five years of a child's life are a crucial period of physical, intellectual, emotional and social growth. The teachers at ECDC believe that each child should be treated as an individual and should have the opportunity to develop at his or her own pace. Our 1:7 teacher to student ratio ensures strong teacher involvement. Our goal is to provide the highest quality education and to offer parents information and support on early child development and education. In addition, having our graduates well prepared for kindergarten is important at ECDC.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT

ECDC is a parent cooperative, allowing the parents to be involved at every level.

- In the classroom. For the children, one of the most eagerly awaited days is their "Special Day"! This is the day their moms, dads or other special people spend the day with them in the classroom. Parents participate in the classroom every 6 to 8 weeks by spending time with their child and becoming a part of their preschool experience.

- As a member of the Parent Committee. The Parent Committee, comprised of volunteers, raises funds for and plans enrichment activities for the students. Some activities in the past have included the New England Aquarium Tidepool Program, evening sleepytime events, and a spring fair.
- As a member of the Board. The Board of Directors is comprised of parent volunteers who conduct the general business of the school.

A TYPICAL DAY FOR YOUR CHILD

Children enjoy having a familiar routine. Our daily activities include:

8:45-9:00	Greeting and creative play
9:00-9:20	Circle time (Calendar and weather, talking about the theme, singing songs)
9:20-9:50	Creative play/arts and crafts
9:50-9:55	Story time with stories matched to the theme
9:55-10:10	Snack
10:10-11:00	Creative play/arts and crafts
11:00-11:30	Playground

We always have plenty of time to answer questions, follow up on a parent or teacher's idea, have a little extra fun with something or take advantage of a special opportunity. Music class occurs every week and creative movement occurs twice a month. Special field trips also take place.

