



A Guide to

Evanston Early Childhood Resources



Childcare Network of Evanston

knows that family decisions can be difficult—especially when it comes to making choices about your child and child care options. Childcare Network of Evanston can help by providing a comprehensive listing of child care resources and information of the Evanston community.

Childcare Network of Evanston, a leader of the Evanston Early Childhood community,
supports, connects, collaborates and advocates
for high quality early care and education for families with young children.



We are glad that you have chosen the Childcare Network of Evanston as your link to information and resources for your family. The *Guide to Evanston Early Childhood Resources* provides the following options: child care, preschool, extended care, school age care, limited care options during school breaks and holidays, drop in care, family child care, District 65 services, Montessori, and general resources. Please note that inclusion in this *Guide* does not imply any recommendation by the Childcare Network of Evanston or its sponsors/supporters.

PROCESS

- Call (847) 475-2661
- Speak with a qualified child care specialist and discuss your family's needs
- Discover the available choices and resources in the community
- Discuss financial options
- Learn about high quality early care and education
- Receive comprehensive listing of options
- Contact programs that serve your family's needs
- Interview prospective programs
- Make the decision that will "set the stage" for your child's early learning experiences

ACCREDITATIONS

- NAEYC:** National Association for the Education of Young Children
www.NAEYC.org
- ISACS:** Independent Schools Association of the Central States
www.isacs.org
- ASWNA:** Association of Waldorf Schools of North America
www.aswna.org
- AMS:** American Montessori Society
www.amshq.org
- NAFCC:** National Association for Family Child Care
www.nafcc.org
- DCFS:** Department of Children and Family Services
www.state.il.us/dcfs/daycare/index.shtml

TYPES OF CARE

- PRESCHOOL:** serving children ages 3-5 years of age, not including kindergarten
- PRE-K:** educational services funded by the Illinois State Board of Education
- SCHOOL AGE:** serving children grades K-5, before & after school, during school breaks, summer
- INFANT/TODDLER/TWOS:** serving children from infancy to 3 years of age
- EXTENDED CARE:** serving children beyond the regularly scheduled program
- FAMILY CHILD CARE:** serving children in a home based environment
- MONTESSORI:** serving children through the Montessori Method of teaching
- DROP IN:** serving children on a limited basis, must be pre-registered to participate
- SUMMER CAMP:** serving children during summer months

PROGRAMS AT A GLANCE

FULL DAY

Baker Demonstration School
 Barbereux School
 Chiaravalle Montessori School
 Child Care Center of Evanston
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 District 65 Head Start
 Doorway to Learning Childcare Center
 ENH Child Development Center
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 —Teen Baby Nursery
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 Total Child Preschool & Childcare Center

School for Little Children Preschool
 St. Joan of Arc Preschool
 Total Child Preschool & Childcare Center
 Unity Nursery School

SCHOOL AGE

Evanston Arts Camp
 Evanston Day Nursery
 Family Focus
 Fleetwood-Jourdain Community Center
 KinderCare
 McGaw YMCA Children's Center
 Robert Crown Center After School Adventure
 Toddler Town Day Care

DROP IN

Family Center & ISBE Birth to 3 Family Services
 KinderCare
 The Family Room

FAMILY CHILD CARE

Childcare Network of Evanston—Resource & Referral
 Evanston Early Head Start
 Family Child Care Connections
 JUST SEW (Skokie, Evanston, Wilmette)

MONTESSORI

Chiaravalle Montessori School
 Child Care Center of Evanston
 Midwest Montessori School

PART DAY

Baker Demonstration School
 Barbereux School
 Beth Emet Early Childhood Program
 Chandler-Newberger Preschool
 Cherry Preschool
 Chiaravalle Montessori School
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 District 65 Early Adventures
 District 65 Head Start
 Evanston Township High School Child Study Center
 The Family Room
 Jewish Reconstructionist Congregation (JRC)
 KinderCare
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 Midwest Montessori School
 Northminster Nursery School
 Parent Day Out
 Pope John XXIII Preschool
 Puerta Abierta Preschool
 Robert Crown Center's Creative Play Preschool
 Roycemore School

Evanston Early Childhood Programs

Baker Demonstration School

Child-centered, developmental half day toddler and mixed age pre-kindergarten programs run in morning sessions. Full day kindergarten runs from 8:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Extended day options 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. are available only for students enrolled in pre-kindergarten and kindergarten.

FULL DAY PART DAY FULL WEEK PRESCHOOL BEFORE SCHOOL AFTER SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN GRADE SCHOOL EXTENDED DAY

Address: 201 Sheridan Rd., Wilmette 60091
Website: www.bakerdemschool.org
Contact: Deirdre Harrison, (847) 425-5813/5800
Fax: (847) 425-5801
Email: admissions@bakerdemschool.org
Size: 375
Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Accreditation: NAEYC for Early Childhood, provisional member of Independent School Association of Central States

Barbereux School

A developmental early childhood program for children age 3 (by September 1st) through first grade. Since 1921, our school has offered hands-on learning experiences that integrate the arts and academics, building solid foundations for budding school careers.

FULL DAY PART DAY FULL WEEK PART WEEK TWOS PRESCHOOL KINDERGARTEN GRADE SCHOOL EXTENDED DAY SUMMER CAMP ACCEPTS STATE CERTIFICATE

Address: 3333 Culver, Evanston 60201
Contact: Joe Artabasy, (847) 864-3215
Fax: (847) 864-8199
Size: 50
Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Accreditation: NAEYC
DCFS License: Yes

Beth Emet Early Childhood Program

A developmental Jewish program.

PART DAY PART WEEK TODDLERS TWOS PRESCHOOL EXTENDED DAY SUMMER CAMP

Address: 1224 Dempster, Evanston 60202
Website: www.bethemet.org
Contact: Kathy Kaberon and Fran Zimmerman, (847) 869-4230 ext. 305
Fax: (847) 869-7830
Email: nursery@bethemet.org
Size: 80
Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.

Accreditation: NAEYC
DCFS License: Yes

Chandler-Newberger Preschool

A developmental non-sectarian preschool. Focus and emphasis are placed on the child's emotional, social, physical, and cognitive growth through play, music and movement, outdoor play, and other organized activities.

PART DAY PART WEEK PRESCHOOL

Address: 1028 Central Street, Evanston 60201
Website: www.cityofevanston.org
Contact: Michelle Tompkins, (847) 448-8252
Fax: (847) 866-6177
Email: mtompkins@cityofevanston.org
Size: 10-15
Hours: MWF for 4 yr. olds: 9:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; Tues./Thurs.: 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Cherry Preschool

A developmental, nonsectarian preschool. Parent-governed housed in an independent facility. Warren W. Cherry Preschool is an inclusive community which welcomes children with diverse backgrounds and special needs. Half-day morning and afternoon classes.

PART DAY FULL WEEK PART WEEK TWOS PRESCHOOL EXTENDED DAY SUMMER CAMP

Address: 1418 Lake Street, Evanston 60201
Website: www.cherrypreschool.org
Contact: Debbie Boileve, (847) 492-1213
Fax: (847) 492-1235
Email: cherrysch@aol.com
Size: 200+
Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Accreditation: NAEYC
DCFS License: Yes

Chiaravalle Montessori School

Parent/Infant through 8th grade. Full and partial day.

FULL DAY PART DAY TODDLERS TWOS PRESCHOOL KINDERGARTEN GRADE SCHOOL MONTESSORI ACCEPTS STATE CERTIFICATE

Address: 425 Dempster, Evanston 60201
Website: www.chiaravalle.org
Contact: Nancy Syburg, (847) 864-2190
Size: 200+
Email: admission@chiaravalle.org
Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Accreditation: AMS, ISACS
DCFS License: Yes

Child Care Center of Evanston

Established in 1944, the center's large Queen Anne home and park-like playground enhance the home-like atmosphere. The program offers a developmental curriculum as well as a Montessori classroom. Culturally diverse, family centered environment.

FULL DAY FULL WEEK TWOS PRESCHOOL PRE-K EXTENDED DAY MONTESSORI ACCEPTS STATE CERTIFICATE

Address: 1840 Asbury, Evanston 60201
Website: www.childcarecenterofevanston.org
Contact: Joy Torres, (847) 869-2680
Fax: (847) 869-2687
Email: torresj@childcarecenterofevanston.org
Size: 90
Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Accreditation: NAEYC
DCFS License: Yes

Child Time

FULL DAY PART DAY FULL WEEK PART WEEK INFANTS TODDLERS TWOS PRESCHOOL SUMMER CAMP ACCEPTS STATE CERTIFICATE

Address: 355 Ridge Avenue, Evanston 60202
Contact: Lori Kiser, (847) 492-2166
Fax: (847) 492-2169
Size: 100-150
Hours: 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

DCFS License: Yes

Covenant Nursery School

A developmental, non-sectarian program offering half day classes in the morning. Parents choose days of the week. 2-5 years. Lunchtime enrichment programs offered including Spanish, Book Buddies, Fun Science, and Kindermusik. Ongoing enrollment. Please call for information/schedule a tour.

PART DAY PART WEEK TWOS PRESCHOOL SUMMER CAMP

Address: 1420 Maple Avenue, Evanston 60201
Website: www.covenantnurseryschool.org
Contact: Tina Vanderwalker, (847) 475-2990
Fax: (847) 475-2992
Size: 50-100
Hours: 9:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

Accreditation: NAEYC
DCFS License: Yes

ENH Child Development Center

Corporate sponsor is Bright Horizons.

FULL DAY FULL WEEK PART WEEK INFANTS TODDLERS TWOS PRESCHOOL ACCEPTS STATE CERTIFICATE

Address: 1000 Central, Suite 100, Evanston 60201
Website: www.brighthorizons.com
Contact: Shirley Neiman, (847) 570-1490
Fax: (847) 570-1494
Email: evanst@brighthorizons.com
Size: 85
Hours: 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

DCFS License: Yes

Evanston Arts Camp

We specialize in thematic integrated interdisciplinary arts programs. Recent camps include Renaissance Camp, Mark Twain Camp, and The Art of the Tribe Camp. Camps are held in District 65 schools, or at the Noyes Cultural Arts Center. Camps are held during the winter, spring, and summer breaks.

SCHOOL AGE EXTENDED DAY

Address: 927 Noyes Street, Evanston 60201
Website: www.cityofevanston.org, Summer Camps
Contact: Angela Allyn, (847) 448-8260
Email: aallyn@cityofevanston.org
Size: 50-200
Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Extended Care Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Evanston Day Nursery

A developmental, play based, family centered program serving preschool children 2.6 to 5 years in a Victorian house in a residential area. Program staffed by qualified teachers. Daily use of private backyard playground. Before school care available for K-3rd graders at Kingsley school and after school care available to all Evanston schools who provide bussing. Full day themed camp for school age June-August.

FULL DAY FULL WEEK PART WEEK PRESCHOOL SCHOOL AGE PROGRAMMING STATE PRE-K SITE ACCEPTS STATE CERTIFICATE

Address: 1835 Grant Street, Evanston 60201
Contact: Nora Rucker, (847) 864-9700
Fax: (847) 864-9710
Size: Lic. Capacity 46
Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Preschool
 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. School Age

Accreditation: NAEYC
DCFS License: Yes

Evanston Early Childhood Programs *(continued)*

Evanston Township High School Child Study Center

A developmental program that concentrates on socialization and enrichment. Is housed in Evanston Township High School. High School students interact with the children, under the direct supervision of staff members.

FULL DAY PART DAY FULL WEEK PART WEEK TWOS PRESCHOOL

Address: 1600 Dodge, Evanston 60201
Contact: Nancy Fuller, (847) 424-7675
Fax: (847) 492-3872
Email: fullern@eths.k12.il.us
Size: 16
Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Family Child Care Connections

A network of licensed professional family child care providers, serving infants and toddlers. Programs are located throughout Evanston and Skokie. Providers are selected and supported by the Child Care Center of Evanston.

FULL DAY FULL WEEK PART WEEK INFANTS TODDLERS TWOS FAMILY CHILD CARE

Address: 1840 Asbury, Evanston 60201
Contact: Tami Biordi, (847) 864-5610
Email: biordit@childcarecenterofevanston.org
Accreditation: 4 homes with NAFCC accreditation

Fleetwood-Jourdain Community Center

Program offers homework assistance, recreational time, snack, karate, and art. Program is open during school holidays and winter and spring breaks.

AFTER SCHOOL ACCEPTS STATE CERTIFICATE

Address: 1655 Foster, Evanston 60201
Website: www.cityofevanston.org/departments
Contact: Betsy Jenkins, (847) 448-8254
Fax: (847) 328-2026
Email: bjenkins@cityofevanston.org
Size: After School Program—100; Summer Camp—150
Hours: Hours vary by season/program.

Infant Welfare Society of Evanston: Baby Toddler Nursery

A developmental child care center providing high-quality, individualized, developmentally appropriate care and early learning experiences with a dedicated, highly-qualified teaching staff. The Infant Welfare Society of Evanston has been supporting families' efforts to be self-sufficient providers and effective parents since 1913 and opened Baby Toddler Nursery in 1971.

FULL DAY FULL WEEK PART WEEK INFANTS TODDLERS TWOS PRESCHOOL ACCEPTS STATE CERTIFICATE

Address: 2200 Main Street, Evanston 60202
Website: www.iwse.org
Contact: Lillian Mallinson, (847) 491-9650
Fax: (847) 491-9410
Email: LillianSchmitt@iwse.org
Size: 70
Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
DCFS License: Yes

Infant Welfare Society of Evanston: Teen Baby Nursery

A developmental child care center providing care for the infants and toddlers of teen mothers and support according to the special needs of teen parents since 1989. The Infant Welfare Society of Evanston's Teen Baby Nursery provides high-quality, individualized, developmentally appropriate care, and parenting support with a dedicated, highly-qualified staff of teachers and family support specialists.

FULL DAY FULL WEEK INFANTS TODDLERS ACCEPTS STATE CERTIFICATE

Address: 2010 Dewey, Evanston 60201
Website: www.iwse.org
Contact: Kamilah Wilson, (847) 864-6945
Fax: (847) 869-4090
Email: kkamilah@yahoo.com
Size: 16
Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

DCFS License: Yes

Jewish Reconstructionist Congregation JRC

Developmental preschool in a Jewish environment. Parent/Toddler, 2s, 3s, 4s, half-day preschool. Early drop-off and lunch options available. Afternoon and Sunday morning Jewish enrichment classes.

PART DAY FULL WEEK PART WEEK TWOS PRESCHOOL EXTENDED DAY SUMMER CAMP

Address: 303 Dodge, Evanston 60202
Website: www.jrc-evanston.org/ecp.html
Contact: Bonnie Silverman, (847) 328-7678 ext. 2227
Fax: (847) 328-2298
Email: bsilverman@jrc-evanston.org
Size: 40-50
Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

DCFS License: Yes

KinderCare

Come by and explore where "Knowledge Learning" begins!

FULL DAY PART DAY FULL WEEK PART WEEK INFANTS TODDLERS TWOS PRESCHOOL SCHOOL AGE BEFORE SCHOOL AFTER SCHOOL DROP IN SUMMER CAMP ACCEPTS STATE CERTIFICATE

Address: 2014 Dempster, Evanston 60202
Website: www.knowledgelearning.com
Contact: Tracy Baker, (847) 869-3456
Fax: (847) 733-7613
Size: 161
Hours: 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

DCFS License: Yes

McGaw YMCA Children's Center

A developmental preschool committed to promoting individual growth through a variety of activities and experiences. Swimming, gym, music, creative movement and art complement classroom activities. School's Out after school program is for children in Kindergarten - 5th grade. Supervised transportation is provided and activities include reading, games, art, homework support and community service. Swim instruction and fun physical fitness are included.

FULL DAY PART DAY FULL WEEK PART WEEK INFANTS TODDLERS TWOS PRESCHOOL SCHOOL AGE PRE-K BEFORE SCHOOL AFTER SCHOOL EXTENDED DAY ACCEPTS STATE CERTIFICATE

Address: 1420 Maple Avenue, Evanston 60201
Website: www.mcgawymca.org
Contact: Rebecca Slenk, (847) 475-8580
Fax: (847) 733-2562
Email: Rebeccas@mcgawymca.org
Size: 250+
Hours: 7:00 a.m. to 6:15 p.m.

Accreditation: NAEYC

DCFS License: Yes

Midwest Montessori School

We have been a demonstration school for the Midwest Montessori Teacher Training Center since 1991. We have a full complement of Montessori materials. The Montessori early childhood experience is intended to be a 3-year experience, ideally starting at age 3.

FULL DAY PART DAY FULL WEEK PRESCHOOL KINDERGARTEN MONTESSORI

Address: 926 Noyes, Evanston 60201
Contact: Edwina Schorn, (847) 328-6630
Email: mrsmmch@sbcglobal.net
Size: 50
Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Northminster Nursery School

Developmental half-day, non-sectarian program. Flexible scheduling. Tuition assistance available. Extended day only over lunch for 2, 3, and 4 year olds (Lunch Bunch).

PART DAY PART WEEK TWOS PRESCHOOL

Address: 2515 Central Park, Evanston 60201
Website: www.northminpres.org
Contact: Lois Wall, (847) 869-9210
Fax: (847) 869-9220
Email: nns@northminpres.org
Size: 50-100
Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 11:30a.m. and 12:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Accreditation: NAEYC

DCFS License: Yes

Parent Day Out

A parent cooperative playschool. Children participate with teachers and parent volunteers.

PART DAY PART WEEK TWOS PRESCHOOL

Address: 1420 Maple Ave., Evanston 60201
Contact: Karen Dinelli, (847) 328-2250
Size: 50
Hours: 9:15 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

DCFS License: Yes

Pope John XXIII Preschool

Our school is rich in literacy with colorful and interesting hands-on activities. We are a faith-based school that educates the whole child- spiritual, social, physical and academic in a caring loving atmosphere.

FULL DAY PART DAY FULL WEEK PRESCHOOL BEFORE SCHOOL AFTER SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN GRADE SCHOOL EXTENDED DAY

Address: 1120 Washington, Evanston 60202
Website: www.popejohn23.org
Contact: Rosalie Musiala, (847) 475-5678
Size: 25-50
Hours: 7:00 a.m. to 5:45 p.m.

Accreditation: Archdiocese of Chicago

Puerta Abierta Preschool

A dual language, Spanish/English, two way immersion preschool in a part-day developmental program. Second language acquisition is possible in a natural setting through play, songs, art and games.

PART DAY FULL WEEK PART WEEK TWOS PRESCHOOL PRE-K SUMMER CAMP

Address: 933 Chicago Avenue, Evanston 60202
Mailing: 9023 Lincolnwood Drive, Evanston 60203
Website: www.puerta-abiertapreschool.com
Contact: Maria or Lee Weisgal, (847) 328-1491
Fax: (847) 328-1491
Email: puertaabiertapresch@gmail.com
Size: 36 am, 36 pm
Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

DCFS License: Yes

Reba Early Learning Center (RELC)

A developmental, inclusive, full day program in which children discover and learn through play. Children are encouraged to apply prior knowledge to new experiences to build new concepts and figure things out. An emphasis is placed on early literacy.

FULL DAY FULL WEEK TWOS PRESCHOOL PRE-K ACCEPTS STATE CERTIFICATE

Address: 740 Custer Ave., Evanston 60202
Website: www.rebaearlylearningcenter.org
Contact: Marsha Ettema, (847) 475-6480 ext. 21
Fax: (847) 328-8431
Email: RebaELC@gmail.com
Size: 50
Hours: 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Accreditation: NAEYC

DCFS License: Yes

Robert Crown Center's Creative Play Preschool

An innovative enriched preschool play program offering a variety of classes for children. Promotes an active form of learning through "play with purpose" in preparation for the developmental kindergarten experience.

PART DAY FULL WEEK PART WEEK TWOS PRESCHOOL PRE-K SUMMER CAMP ACCEPTS STATE CERTIFICATE

Address: 1701 Main Street, Evanston 60202
Contact: Donna Kent, (847) 448-8258 ext. 2521
Fax: (847) 328-9460
Website: www.cityofevanston.org
Email: dkent@cityofevanston.org
Size: 100
Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

DCFS License: Yes

Robert Crown Community Center After-School Adventure

Our after-school adventure includes time to relax and play, structures and self-directed art activities, coordinated study time and nutritious snacks. Each day, a different after-school activity is highlighted, including ice skating, science club, cooking fun and more. Activities designed to build social proficiency and athletic skills take place in our gym, multi-purpose room and the lawns surrounding the facility. Bus service is available for children attending District 65 schools.

AFTER SCHOOL ACCEPTS STATE CERTIFICATE

Address: 1701 Main Street, Evanston 60202
Website: www.cityofevanston.org/crown
Contact: Donna Kent, (847) 448-8258
Fax: (847) 328-9460
Email: dkent@cityofevanston.org
Size: 35-40
Hours: 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

DCFS License: Yes

Roycemore School

A developmental program serving children through a multi-disciplinary approach to academics.

FULL DAY PART DAY FULL WEEK PRESCHOOL KINDERGARTEN GRADE SCHOOL EXTENDED DAY SUMMER CAMP

Address: 640 Lincoln, Evanston 60201
Website: www.roycemoreschool.org
Contact: Melinda Orzoff, (847) 866-6055
Fax: (847) 866-6545
Email: morzoff@roycemoreschool.org
Size: 36
Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 6:00p.m.

Accreditation: ISACS

School for Little Children Preschool

A place for love, laughter and learning—a developmental preschool for children ages 2-5 located in the heart of Evanston. Welcomes cultural diversity and differing abilities.

PART DAY FULL WEEK PART WEEK TWOS PRESCHOOL EXTENDED DAY SUMMER CAMP

Address: 1427 Chicago Avenue, Evanston 60201
Website: www.slcevanston.org
Contact: Laura Costello, (847) 864-3889
Fax: (847) 475-5647
Size: 200+
Hours: 9:15 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Accreditation: NAEYC

DCFS License: Yes

St. Joan of Arc Preschool

St. Joan of Arc Preschool introduces our youngest friends to the joys of exploration, discovery, and learning together. A teacher trained in early childhood music and a certified physical education teacher join our teaching team. Through play and theme-based, developmentally appropriate activities, our children grow and thrive supported by a community of caring, dedicated adults.

PART DAY FULL WEEK PRESCHOOL BEFORE SCHOOL AFTER SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN GRADE SCHOOL

Address: 9245 Lawndale, Evanston 60203
Contact: Kendra Dillon, (847) 679-0660
Email: Tots911@aol.com
Size: 45
Hours: 8:45 a.m. to 11:15 a.m./12:15 to 2:45 p.m.

Accreditation: Archdiocese of Chicago

Toddler Town Day Care

Children learn through play.

FULL DAY FULL WEEK TWOS PRESCHOOL SCHOOL AGE KINDERGARTEN PRE-K ACCEPTS STATE CERTIFICATE

Address: 1501 Howard Street, Evanston 60202
Website: www.toddertownevanston.com
Contact: Angelo Nikolov, (847) 475-1660
Fax: (847) 475-5339
Email: toddlertowne@yahoo.com
Size: 76
Hours: 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

DCFS License: Yes

Total Child Preschool & Childcare Center

Total Child is located in the heart of downtown Evanston. TC offers a developmental program where children learn through play by exploring, negotiating and problem solving at their own individual rate and learning style. The TC community celebrates diversity.

FULL DAY PART DAY FULL WEEK PART WEEK TWOS PRESCHOOL PRE-K SUMMER CAMP

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Address: 516 Church St., Evanston 60201
Website: www.totalchild.org
Contact: Susan Ruhl, (847) 864-7100
Fax: (847) 864-8091
Email: susan@firstumc-evanston.org
Size: 75-80
Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Accreditation: NAEYC

DCFS License: Yes

Unity Nursery School

Unity Nursery School is a non-sectarian, developmental preschool that provides a warm, nurturing, learning environment for children 2-5. The school is located in spacious, inviting quarters in the Sherman United Methodist Church on Noyes and Ridge.

PART DAY FULL WEEK PART WEEK TWOS PRESCHOOL EXTENDED DAY SUMMER CAMP

Address: 2214 Ridge Avenue, Evanston 60201
Contact: Katie Martin, (847) 869-7170
Email: unitynys@aol.com
Size: 60
Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.; Lunch option 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Accreditation: NAEYC

DCFS License: Yes

Resources

GENERAL RESOURCES

Bridges Early Childhood & Adolescent Program, Evanston Northwestern Healthcare

Comprehensive, multidisciplinary mental health program serving children and adolescents ages 3-17 and their families in the Evanston area and surrounding communities. Services include diagnostics evaluations, counseling, crisis intervention, medication evaluations, and ongoing medication management and educational advocacy. The program works with school districts and a variety of community-based early childhood programs.

Address: 2650 Ridge Avenue, Evanston 60201
Website: www.enh.org/mentalhealth/clinicalservices/bridges
Contact: Nancy Zinaman, (847) 570-1117

Caregiver Connections

Caregiver Connections is a community partner of Illinois Action for Children. It's mission is to promote the social and emotional health of young children and families by strengthening the knowledge and competencies of early childhood teachers and caregivers at no cost. The Caregiver Connections representative for the Evanston area is a part of the Children's Home + Aid Organization.

Address: 2045 S. Arlington Heights Road, Suite 113C, Arlington Heights 60005
Website: www.actforchildren.org
Contact: Phyllis Nickel, (847) 640-9590
Fax: (847) 640-9593
Email: pnickel@childrenshomeandaid.org

CEDA: Neighbors at Work

A community action agency offering social services including: W.I.C., Energy Assistance, Emergency Assistance, Housing Counseling, Employment Counseling, Family Case Development, Minor Repairs and Painting (Evanston only), Senior Handyman Services (Evanston only), Scholarships and Information and Referral Services to low income households of Evanston, Niles, New Trier and Northfield Townships.

Address: 1229 Emerson Street, Evanston 60201
Contact: Patricia Vance, Executive Director; Viru Joshi, Social Services Coordinator
Phone: (847) 328-5166
Fax: (847) 328-9262

Childcare Network of Evanston

Childcare Network of Evanston provides training and leadership opportunities to all child care providers and teachers; makes available on-site social services for children and their families; offers scholarship opportunities to attend community-based programs; and advocates on behalf of the children and families of the community.

Address: 1416 Lake Street, Evanston 60201
Website: www.childcarenetworkofevanston.org
Contact: Martha Arntson, (847) 475-2661
Fax: (847) 475-2699
Email: cne@childcarenetworkofevanston.org
Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

City of Evanston Department of Health and Human Services

The Department offers a number of health prevention and intervention services to Evanston families. The Children's Dental Clinic provides preventative and emergency dental services to children ages 3-18. The Outreach Specialist coordinates services and acts as a liaison between the City and Evanston's limited and non-English speaking residents. The Inclusion Specialist monitors the City's compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and responds to complaints about disability-related access issues. The Department operates the Mayor's Summer Youth Job Program for youth ages 14-18. The Department is responsible for administering the City's childcare home permit process, including onsite, routine and complaint inspections. The Childhood Lead Safety Program is operated in conjunction with the Cook County and Illinois Departments of Public Health and the City's Property Standards Department and provides in-home assessments for children with elevated blood lead levels. The Department also provides information about health, mental health and social services to community residents.

Address: 2100 Ridge Ave., Evanston 60201
Website: www.cityofevanston.org
Contact: Evonda Thomas, Director, (847) 866-2948
Fax: (847) 448-8141
Email: health@cityofevanston.org

Evanston Early Head Start

Childcare Network of Evanston partners with Infant Welfare Society of Evanston and Child Care Center of Evanston to provide Early Head Start for infants and toddlers. Family support services and parental involvement programs are available in addition to child care.

FULL DAY FULL WEEK INFANTS TODDLERS TWOS
FAMILY CHILD CARE

Address: 1416 Lake Street, Evanston 60201
Website: www.childcarenetworkofevanston.org
Contact: Mary Lee Swiatowiec, (847) 475-2661
Fax: (847) 475-2699
Email: cne@childcarenetworkofevanston.org

Evanston Public Library

Knowledgeable staff can guide you through thousands of books and media items for infants to 8th grade. Book-based programs for children ages 1 and up. Parenting collection and materials for caregivers.

Address: 1730 Orrington Avenue, Evanston 60201
Website: www.epl.org
Contact: Rick Kinnebrew, (847) 448-8613
Email: rkinnebrew@cityofevanston.org
Hours: Varies

Address: 949 Chicago Avenue, Evanston 60202
Website: www.epl.org
Contact: Jill Skwerski, (847) 866-0333
Hours: Varies

Address: 2026 Central Street, Evanston 60201
Website: www.epl.org
Contact: Connie Heneghan, (847) 866-0330
Hours: Varies

Family Focus

We service all families. "Every family, every day." We offer a variety of programs including: after school programs, grandparent programs, teen parent programs, foster family support programs, etc.

FAMILY CHILD CARE

Address: 2010 Dewey Avenue, Evanston 60201
Website: www.family-focus.org
Contact: Executive Director, (847) 475-7570
Email: Evanston@family-focus.org
Hours: 3:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.

The Family Room

A family support organization that provides a variety of parent education and support programs and activities for families with children up to their fourth birthday. Programs and activities are held at the Family Room in Evanston. Drop-in services are offered 7 times per week. New mom's groups, as well as monthly parents education groups are offered. See website for schedule.

PART DAY PART WEEK DROP IN
INFANTS TODDLERS TWOS

Address: 3009 Central Street, Evanston 60201
Contact: Sue Sklansky, (847) 328-7529
Email: familyroom5@hotmail.com
Website: www.famroom.org
Hours: Varied, open 6 days per week

Infant Welfare Society of Evanston Family Support Program

The Family Support Program of the Infant Welfare Society of Evanston provides weekly home visiting services, parenting groups, and community outreach. Families participate by choice and receive parenting support and education, work on setting and achieving goals for themselves and their children, and are included in a range of community and individualized activities, screenings, and services. Services provided without charge and waiting list prioritized according to need.

FAMILY CHILD CARE

Address: 2200 Main Street, Evanston, IL 60202
Website: www.iwse.org
Contact: Christina LePage, (847) 491-9650
Fax: (847) 491-9410
Email: christinalepage@iwse.org

JUST SEW (Skokie, Evanston, Wilmette)

Provider association for Home Day Care Providers in Evanston, Skokie, Wilmette and Northern Chicago.

FAMILY CHILD CARE

Address: 2707 Thayer, Evanston 60201
Website: www.justsewforchildcare.com
Contact: Linda Hermes, (847) 475-0321
Email: Justsew1@aol.com

Partners

Metropolitan Family Services

We provide a broad range of services for families that include counseling, child and adolescent mental health, senior counseling, school based programs for families, Legal Aid Bureau, violence prevention programs, adoption preservation and more.

Address: 820 Davis Street, Suite 450, Evanston 60201

Website: www.metrofamily.org

Contact: Cicela Diaz, Intake Coordinator
(847) 425-7403

Phone: (847) 328-2404

Fax: (847) 328-1295

The Parent Circle

The Parent Circle is a community of parents that provides a multitude of social and educational opportunities for families. Our goal is to promote a positive family experience through education, support and social interactions. We provide our members with playgroups, workshops, family activities and a monthly newsletter. We currently have a membership of more than 100 families with young children seeking to learn, share and enrich their family experiences.

Website: www.theparentcircle.com

Contact: Melissa Haak, (847) 604-0989

Email: info@theparentcircle.com

DISTRICT 65 PROGRAMS & SERVICES

Doorway to Learning Child Care Center

Located in the Joseph E. Hill Education Center at District 65 Family Center, the Doorway to Learning Center offers a developmental program for infants and toddlers (6 weeks to 30 months). Infants and toddlers are encouraged to initiate, discover, experience, and learn about ideas, events, and people by engaging in an active learning process. Our program is about children creating, experimenting, problem solving, and resolving conflicts as they learn.

FULL DAY FULL WEEK
ACCEPTS STATE CHILD SUBSIDY CERTIFICATES ONLY

Address: 1500 McDaniel, Evanston 60201

Website: www.d65.k12.il.us

Contact: Angela Johnson, (847) 859-8550

Fax: (847) 859-8563

Size: 25

Hours: 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

DCFS License: Yes

Early Adventures ISBE Pre-Kindergarten

A half day developmental program for children ages 3-4. This program serves children whose existing skills may need strengthening in order to insure a more successful entry into kindergarten. Children are referred through SPPAC.

PRESCHOOL PRE-K PART DAY

Address: 1500 McDaniel, Evanston 60201

Website: www.d65.k12.il.us

Phone: (847) 859-8300

Fax: (847) 859-8003

Size: 15-20

Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m./12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

DCFS License: Yes

Family Center & ISBE Birth to 3 Family Services

A model family resource and support program providing home visits and center-based services including parent/child activities, support groups, parenting classes, child development resources and activities, Doula services, and case management services.

DROP IN

Address: 1500 McDaniel Ave., Evanston 60201

Website: www.d65.k12.il.us

Contact: Angela Johnson, (847) 859-8550

Hours: 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., and various weekend and evening hours

Head Start

A developmental, educational program for 3-5 year olds with morning, afternoon, and full day sessions.

FULL DAY PART DAY PRESCHOOL

Address: 1500 McDaniel, Evanston 60201

Website: www.d65.k12.il.us

Contact: *Full day program:*

Alice Moore, (847) 859-8300

Half day program:

Cathy Watson (847) 859-8303

Renan Martinez (847) 859-8313

DCFS License: Yes

Pre-Primary Diagnostic Special Education Classes

A special education program for 3 to 5 year olds who attend a half or full day. Children are referred to the program after a multidisciplinary case study evaluation by District 65 staff.

Address: 1500 McDaniel, Evanston 60201

Website: www.d65.k12.il.us

Contact: Patricia Seifer, (847) 859-8588

Services for PrePrimary Age Children (SPPAC)

District 65's child find, screening and referral agency serving Evanston/Skokie children from birth through 5 years of age. Development and kindergarten readiness can be assessed through screenings.

Address: 1500 Mc Daniel, Evanston 60201

Website: www.d65.k12.il.us

Contact: Patricia Seifer, (847) 859-8588



**Evanston Early
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Childcare Network of Evanston provides a variety of programs and services that helps ALL young children in our community arrive at school ready to succeed.

Early Care and Education Programs:

EVANSTON EARLY HEAD START serves families with children age **birth to three** and pregnant women by delivering health and family support services, and high quality child care. Diapers are included. Families must be eligible for a child care certificate (subsidy).

ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION PRE-KINDERGARTEN supports **at-risk children age three to five** in local community early childhood programs with Pre-Kindergarten services. Services are offered to children who qualify in part and full day programs. For families who need full day programming must either be eligible for a child care certificate (subsidy), or have payment provided by DCFS. Families who participate in part day programs do so at no cost.

LEARNING TOGETHER provides **on-site services for children with special needs** at child care programs. Services include Speech and Language Therapy, Occupational Therapy, and Mental Health services. Teachers and parents learn from the therapists how best to help children with special needs. All children are now able to remain in programming that they may otherwise not be able to without the support of Learning Together.

Additional Supportive Services:

COMMUNITYWIDE SCHOLARSHIPS supports Evanston families **over the state subsidy income eligibility guidelines** with the funds needed to send their children to quality early childhood programs. Without these funds, many families would not have access to these programs, making it difficult and in many cases impossible to financially support their family.

SOCIAL WORK SERVICES help low-income working parents with **applications for subsidy assistance** and connect families to community resources, such as food banks. **Resource and Referral** matches the needs of Evanston families with child care and early education resources.

STRENGTHENING FAMILIES programs **prevent child abuse** through educating early childhood center staff, parents, child welfare agencies, and other community members with the goal of building protective factors for our children and **keeping families strong**.

EVANSTON MALE INVOLVEMENT GROUP **enhances positive parenting skills of male role models** through programs which offer support, training and activities, for men in the community and their children.

PARENTS AS TEACHERS provides **home visits to families with children age birth to three**. The focus is to provide developmentally appropriate fun activities and family support.