

Early Childhood

Early Childhood... Where Fun & Exploration Begins.

Our Early Childhood programs are designed to encourage free expression while developing self-confidence for each child.

Our facilities provide many separate areas for active, quiet and creative play.

- Our gymnasium and tot playground are used for motor movement activities.
- Art, music, physical and social development through creative play are a part of our daily schedule.
- Various field trips and story time through the public library provide a variety of enjoyable learning experiences.
- Introduction to kindergarten readiness skills is a part of the program format for the four year old class.
- All three year olds must be three on or before the start of a session and they must be toilet trained.
- All four year olds must be four by September 1, 2012.
- No online registration for Preschool, Pre-K or Tot Time.

Fall 2012 Preschool Registration

On Monday, January 16 we will begin taking resident registration for the Fall 2012 Preschool, Tot Time and Pre-Kindergarten classes. Children who are currently enrolled will have an advance pre-registration in the preschool office January 9-13. Registration for non-residents who do not have a child in the 2011-2012 program will begin Monday, January 23. After January 23, registration for preschool will be accepted continuously until September 2012. Anyone registering a child for preschool, tot time or pre-k must have a birth certificate or passport to prove the child's date of birth. In addition, proof of immunization will be required at the start of school in September 2012. All four year olds must be four by September 1, 2012. There is a \$25 non-refundable/non-transferable deposit required to register.

Winter 1 Preschool

Code #	Age	Days	Dates	Time	Fee R/NR
12-1301	4	Mon./Wed./Fri.	1/2-2/17	9:30am-noon	\$160/\$190
12-1302	4	Tue./Thu.	1/3-2/16	9:30am-noon	\$107/\$137
12-1303	3	Tue./Thu.	1/3-2/16	9:30am-noon	\$107/\$137
12-1304	3	Mon./Wed./Fri.	1/2-2/17	9:30am-noon	\$160/\$190

Winter 2 Preschool

Code #	Age	Days	Dates	Time	Fee R/NR
12-1401	4	Mon./Wed./Fri.	2/20-4/13	9:30am-noon	\$160/\$190
12-1402	4	Tue./Thu.	2/21-4/12	9:30am-noon	\$107/\$137
12-1403	3	Tue./Thu.	2/21-4/12	9:30am-noon	\$107/\$137
12-1404	3	Mon./Wed./Fri.	2/20-4/13	9:30am-noon	\$160/\$190

Spring Preschool

Code #	Age	Days	Dates	Time	Fee R/NR
13-1501	4	Mon./Wed./Fri.	4/16-6/1	9:30am-noon	\$160/\$190
13-1502	4	Tue./Thu.	4/17-5/31	9:30am-noon	\$107/\$137
13-1503	3	Tue./Thu.	4/17-5/31	9:30am-noon	\$107/\$137
13-1504	3	Mon./Wed./Fri.	4/16-6/1	9:30am-noon	\$160/\$190

Tot Time (Ages 3-5)

This program is designed as a beginning program to introduce three and four year old children to a preschool situation. The children will be involved with active and quiet play that will include crafts, games and stories. Each day new activities are presented. Register for one or more days. We provide the flexibility some parents need in setting an early childhood education schedule for their child. Participants must be toilet trained. Inst.: Mary Moran.

Code #	Day	Dates	Time	Fee R/NR
12-1311	Mon.	1/2-2/13	9:30-noon	\$55/\$75
12-1312	Wed.	1/4-2/15	9:30-noon	\$55/\$75
12-1313	Fri.	1/6-2/17	9:30-noon	\$55/\$75
12-1411	Mon.	2/20-4/9	9:30-noon	\$55/\$75
12-1412	Wed.	2/22-4/11	9:30-noon	\$55/\$75
12-1413	Fri.	2/24-4/13	9:30-noon	\$55/\$75
13-1511	Mon.	4/16-5/21	9:30-noon	\$47/\$63 (6 wks)
13-1512	Wed.	4/18-5/30	9:30-noon	\$55/\$75
13-1513	Fri.	4/20-6/1	9:30-noon	\$55/\$75

Pre-Kindergarten (Ages 4-5)

Monday-Friday, 9:30am-noon

This program is for children with previous preschool experience or upon teacher discretion. In addition to readiness skills, we will provide many enrichment activities that include cooking, field trips and more. This is a five day program.

Code #	Dates	Fee R/NR
12-1309	1/2-2/17	\$265/\$315
12-1409	2/20-4/13	\$265/\$315
13-1509	4/16-6/1	\$265/\$315

Afternoon Preschool

Interested in an afternoon preschool class starting in January? We'd love to bring back our MWF class from 1-3pm. This would be a combined age class, three to five year olds. Call Peg at 847-818-3200, x237 if this could work for you.

Kids Day Out

KDO allows children who are registered in the Park District preschool, pre-k or tot time classes to extend the day until 3pm after morning class. Participants need to bring lunch. Registration is taken at the Community Center Front Counter. Please register at least one day in advance to pay the discounted price of \$9/day. Day-of registration, if space is available, \$10/day.

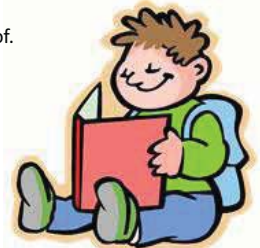
Kinder Kids Day Out- Available 5 days

Calling all AM kindergartners! Join your new friends and old buddies for lunch and an afternoon playtime. Bring a lunch, do a craft, have some gym time, some free play and end the day with a story. Classes will be Mondays through Fridays from 12-3pm. Meet in the Community Center gym. Register for one or more days, in advance, at the registration desk and pay \$9/day. Day-of registration, if space is available, \$10/day. Ask for Kinder Kids Day Out.

Holiday Kids Day Out

March 26-March 28

Holiday Kids Day Out is a special program that allows your child to spend a day or days during winter break participating in some fun activities at the Community Center from 10am-2pm. Children will do crafts, play games and hear stories. This program is only available to children currently enrolled in the RMPD Preschool, Tot Time or Pre-Kindergarten programs. Each child needs to bring a lunch. Register for one or more days in advance at the Community Center Front Counter. Ask for Holiday Kids Day Out. Fee: \$12/day, pre-registered, \$13/day on the day of.



Reading Readiness (Ages 4-6)

Thursdays, 1:15pm-2pm

This program is designed to strengthen your child's reading readiness skills the fun way through games and activities. A certified reading specialist will gear activities towards your child's needs. Lesson plans include working on letter recognition, letter-sound correspondence, phonemic awareness and concept of print. Your child will have the opportunity to master the building blocks of learning how to read.

Inst.: Ann Sandler

Code #	Dates	Fee R/NR
12-1329	1/5-2/16	\$64/\$84
12-1429	2/23-4/12	\$64/\$84
13-1529	4/19-5/31	\$64/\$84

Busy Bees (Ages 1-3)

Tuesdays, 9:45-10:30am

Parents bring your busy bees out for a honey of a good time. In this class we will have playtime where we can meet new friends. Participants work together on a craft and learn new songs. This is a great class for your child to get comfortable in a school setting. Inst.: Mary Moran

Code #	Day	Dates	Time	Fee R/NR
12-1323	Tue.	1/3-2/14	9:45-10:30am	\$32/\$48
12-1423	Tue.	2/21-4/10	9:45-10:30am	\$32/\$48
13-1523	Tue.	4/17-5/29	9:45-10:30am	\$32/\$48

Tot Connection (Ages 2-4)

Wednesdays, 10:30-11:15am

Gym class for tots! Children will do some exercising and play. A great opportunity to join other children in some games and fun! Babysitting available upon reservation and availability.

Inst.: Jan Nowotarski

Code #	Dates	Fee R/NR
12-1316	1/4-2/15	\$32/\$48
12-1416	2/22-4/11	\$32/\$48
13-1516	4/18-5/30	\$32/\$48

Pied Piper (Ages 1-2)

Wednesdays, 9:30-10:15am

Moms and Dads, bring your toddler to this class which promises to be an adventure for him/her. Follow our "Pied Piper" leader in a variety of group activities, games and songs. Make new friends and give your children the opportunity to interact with one another.

Babysitting available upon reservation and availability.

Inst.: Jan Nowotarski

Code #	Dates	Fee R/NR
12-1317	1/4-2/15	\$32/\$48
12-1417	2/22-4/11	\$32/\$48
13-1517	4/18-5/30	\$32/\$48



Tiny Tunes (Ages 2-4)

Tuesdays, 9:30-10:15am

Children love music and the many ways they can interact with it. During this parent and tot class we will sing songs, move to music and make our own musical instrument. Babysitting upon request.

Inst.: Jan Nowotarski

Code #	Dates	Fee R/NR
12-1319	1/10, 1/24, 2/7	\$15/\$23
12-1419	2/21, 3/6, 3/20	\$15/\$23
13-1519	4/17, 5/1, 5/15	\$15/\$23

I'm a Big Kid (Ages 30-36 mos.)

A great starter "away from parent" class for your older two year old. This class will offer play time, finger plays, story time and simple art activities. The child must be 2 1/2 yrs. old before the start date of the class. Diapers will not be changed during class time so make sure your child is in a clean diaper when they arrive for class. This is a great way to get your child ready for preschool.

Inst.: Mary Moran

Code #	Day	Dates	Time	Fee R/NR
12-1321	Tue.	1/3-2/14	10:45-11:45am	\$34/\$51
12-1324	Thu.	1/5-2/16	9:30-10:30am	\$34/\$51
12-1322	Thu.	1/5-2/16	10:45-11:45am	\$34/\$51
12-1421	Tue.	2/21-4/10	10:45-11:45am	\$34/\$51
12-1424	Thu.	2/23-4/12	9:30-10:30am	\$34/\$51
12-1422	Thu.	2/23-4/12	10:45-11:45am	\$34/\$51
13-1521	Tue.	4/17-5/29	10:45-11:45am	\$34/\$51
13-1524	Thu.	4/19-5/31	9:30-10:30am	\$34/\$51
13-1522	Thu.	4/19-5/31	10:45-11:45am	\$34/\$51

Kitchen Kids (Ages 4-6)

Mondays, 3:45-4:30pm

Join your friends for some cooking fun. We will prepare different recipes, sample our finished work and learn some important rules about how to be safe while helping in the kitchen.

Inst.: Mary Moran

Code #	Dates	Fee R/NR
12-1325	1/2-2/13	\$39/\$59
12-1425	2/20-4/9	\$39/\$59
13-1525	4/16-5/21	\$34/\$49 (6 wks)

Tot Open Gym (Ages 1-4)

Tuesdays, 10:45-11:45am

1/3-4/24

This drop in gym program will give you and your child time to meet new friends and enjoy playtime together. Various activities will be available for you to explore. Come out and join us for the fun at the Community Center.

Fee: \$1 per child per visit.



Saturday Morning Tot Open Gym (Ages 1-4)

Saturdays (below), 10-11am

We've set a few weekend Open Gym dates too!

Fee: \$1 per child per visit. 3/17, 4/21

Storytime Adventures (Ages 3-5)

Wednesdays, 3:45-4:30pm

Give your child the experience of spending time exploring some of our favorite, fun children's literature selections. Each week we will focus on one "not to be missed" book as we read and discuss it and then follow up with a craft activity. Each class provides the opportunity for language and vocabulary development and creativity. Join us as we jump into a great story!

Inst.: Sue Masura

Code #	Dates	Fee R/NR
12-1320	1/4-2/15	\$32/\$48
12-1420	2/22-4/11	\$32/\$48
13-1520	4/18-5/30	\$32/\$48



All classes on this page meet at the Community Center.

Babysitting

Babysitting

An excellent babysitting service is offered at the Community Center. The service is available Monday through Friday. There is a limit of four hours paid service per person on a daily basis. The service is available at \$2.00/hr. per child for parents/children participating in a park district program. If you have something special to do or have errands to run and want to use the service, it will be available at \$3.75/hr. per child, \$4.75/hr. for infants to 18 months. Please register two days in advance. Infants to 5 year olds are welcome. Fee is due when you pick up your child. Call 847-818-3202, x234 for reservations.



Tot Activity Room



Kid Rock

All Kid Rock classes are held at the Community Center.



www.rockitkids.com

Tot Rock (Ages 12-24 mos. with parents)

It's music and fun rolled into one! Tot Rock is an introductory music class with a large sensory component. Each week we will use rhythm instruments such as maracas and tambourines, play with props including a parachute and beanbags and explore sensory items like bubbles and feathers. In addition to improving your tot's newly acquired motor skills, each class provides structured and unstructured time to encourage socialization and stimulate your tot. Sign up for both sessions as the curriculum does not repeat. Sing, dance and play the Tot Rock way!

Code #	Day	Dates	Time	Fee R/NR
12-1340	Mon.	1/9-2/6	9:15-9:55am	\$42/\$57*
12-1343	Wed.	1/11-2/8	4:45-5:25pm	\$42/\$57*
12-1440	Mon.	2/20-3/19	9:15-9:55am	\$42/\$57*
12-1443	Wed.	2/22-3/21	4:45-5:25pm	\$42/\$57*
13-1540	Mon.	4/9-5/21	9:15-9:55am	\$58/\$73**
13-1543	Wed.	4/11-5/23	4:45-5:25pm	\$58/\$73**

*5 weeks, **7 weeks

Kid Rock I (Ages 20-36 mos. with parents)

Clap your hands and tap your toes; here at Kid Rock anything goes! Each week we will use our imaginations while singing songs, dancing to the beat, playing with rhythm instruments and props and practicing fine and large motor skills. Our unique curriculum incorporates various learning styles while combining play with music, enhancing listening skills and promoting socialization. Parents participate in Kid Rock I.

Code #	Day	Dates	Time	Fee R/NR
12-1341	Mon.	1/9-2/6	10-10:40am	\$42/\$57*
12-1344	Wed.	1/11-2/8	5:30-6:10pm	\$42/\$57*
12-1441	Mon.	2/20-3/19	10-10:40am	\$42/\$57*
12-1444	Wed.	2/22-3/21	5:30-6:10pm	\$42/\$57*
13-1541	Mon.	4/9-5/21	10-10:40am	\$58/\$73**
13-1544	Wed.	4/11-5/23	5:30-6:10pm	\$58/\$73**

Kid Rock II (Ages 3-4 yrs. without parents)

Kid Rock II is without parent participation to encourage independence. Sign up for both sessions as the curriculum does not repeat. It's fun, and learning that can't be "beat!"

Code #	Day	Dates	Time	Fee R/NR
12-1342	Mon.	1/9-2/6	10:45-11:25am	\$42/\$57*
12-1345	Wed.	1/11-2/8	6:15-6:55pm	\$42/\$57*
12-1442	Mon.	2/20-3/19	10:45-11:25am	\$42/\$57*
12-1445	Wed.	2/22-3/21	6:15-6:55pm	\$42/\$57*
13-1542	Mon.	4/9-5/21	10:45-11:25am	\$58/\$73**
13-1545	Wed.	4/11-5/23	6:15-6:55pm	\$58/\$73**

*5 weeks, **7 weeks