

## Children's Day In at Meridian Street

## Early Childhood programs since 1975 Children 9 months-5 years

Children's Day In offers early childhood programs for children as young as 9 months -5 year olds, and those not yet ready for Kindergarten.

We operate on the school year calendar (Mid-August-Memorial Day).
Our facility is open from 9 am to $2: 30 \mathrm{pm}$, Tuesday-Friday, during the school year.
We are a play based school and believe that children learn best through constructive and purposeful play. We strive to provide the very best experiences and educational environment for each child.

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In all of our nursery school classes there is time for free play, snack (provided), craft, music \& movement and large motor play (either inside or out). You provide a peanut and tree nut free lunch, drink and diapers. We do the rest! All class have a 2 day minimum/4 day maximum. Drop off is no earlier than 9 am and pick up is between 2-2:15 pm (no later than 2:30pm).

## Lambs



- 9 months by September 1
- Student/Teacher Ratio: 4:1
- Classroom size 4-8

Our Lambs class is a wonderful, loving, caring environment for your child's first "school" experience. We will help you both transition into being separated from each other in a very healthy way. Your child will explore an exciting new world of toys and friends under the w atchful eye of nurturing caregivers. We will sing songs, read books, play, laugh, climb and just romp about during the morning play time. Strolling outside is a favorite activity. Naps are flexible, but the goal is to move to one afternoon nap by mid year.

## Bumblebees

## - 12 months by September 1

- Student/Teacher Ratio: 4:1
- Classroom size 6-12

Bumblebees are on the move! These new walkers will have space to run and play with their newly discovered freedom. A toddler friendly environment will foster learning in all sorts of new ways. We will begin to discover crafts and music as well as have plenty of play time. Exploring the playground is a regular occurrence too. We eat snack and lunch at the big kid table and nap on mats. Watch out world- we're big time now!

## Ducklings

- 2 years before the end of December

- Student/Teacher Ratio: 4:1
- Classroom size 6-12

A Ducklings day is filled with fun and exploration. These busy toddlers have the perfect environment to learn and play with things around the room at their level. Low tables and play spaces are perfect for developing dexterity and creating messy crafts. In addition to free play in the classroom, these active kiddos will venture out to the playground on nice days and down to the muscle room for active play when weather does not permit us to go out.

## Teddy Bears

- 2 years by September 1
- Student/Teacher Ratio: 6:1
- Classroom size 8-12

Teddy Bears are two but already think they're big stuff! Anticipating potty training, we've got the perfect size potty right in the classroom. Independence is certainly the name of the game in this classroom. Free play includes dress up, book reading, coloring, playdoh, and of course cars and trains! There isn't much that these 2's don't have in the classroom. Teddy Bears also go to music and movement time in addition to the playground and/or muscle room.

## Butterflies

- 3 years before the end of December
- Student/Teacher Ratio: 6:1
- Classroom size 10-14

The Butterfly class is a transitional class for older 2's and younger 3's. Children in the Butterfly class get a bit more structure than the Teddy Bears, but may not be ready for a 3 day a week program, (or for families who need more flexibility). The Butterflies may be working hard on potty training but are big stuff for sure! The day is packed with activities including art, music, Play-doh, dress up, cars, puzzles, and much more! Children will go the music room and the playground/muscle room daily.

## PRESCHOOL CLASS:

## Orange Fish/Blue Birds

- 3 years by September 1
- Student/Teacher Ratio: 9:1
- Classroom size 12-18
- Tuesday, Wednesday \& Thursday (see Fun Friday option below)
- Must be confidently and independently potty trained


## PRE-K :

## Green Frogs/Yellow Giraffes

- 4 years by September 1
- Student/Teacher Ratio: 9:1
- Classroom size 12-18
- Tuesday, Wednesday \& Thursday
- Focus on Kindergarten readiness


## Fun Fridays Combo:

- Children must also be enrolled in Orange Fish/Blue Birds or Green Frogs/Yellow Giraffes
- Offers a 4th day option
- Student/Teacher Ratio: 9:1
- Classroom size 12-18
- Includes cooking, science, discovery, and plenty of outside time discovering nature and using our large muscles!

