

Our Philosophy

Inclusive

We believe all children have the right to participate and to be supported in their individuality. We celebrate uniqueness and similarities.

Family Support

We believe families are important, regardless of their form, and our role is to support families by providing consistent, quality, reliable Child Care.

Learning through play

We believe children learn through play and will program activities that allow children to learn and experience personal growth through individual and group play.

Physical Literacy

We believe a healthy body is as important as a healthy mind and will program activities that offer daily physical activity and opportunity to build on physical skills. We will offer nutritional snacks that are from identifiable food groups.

Self Directed Learning

We believe children need opportunities to develop a confidence their own competence and to explore the opportunities in the world around them.

We will offer children this opportunity through individual and group lead activities and we will actively seek children's interests in developing programming.

Safety and Respect

All adults will offer children physical and psychological safety. There will be respect for one self and the development of social responsibility towards others and our community.

Our Preschool Staff

Our certified wonderful ECE Instructors have over 20 years of experience working with Licensed Preschool programs. Our Instructor to children ratio is 1:10. Depending on registration, class sizes may be limited to 10 students with one Instructor.



Ms. Wendy



Mrs. Dearden

HAMILTON CHILD CARE SERVICES

LICENSED PRESCHOOL 3-5 yrs.

2022/2023



Partnerships with:

- * RSCL Supported Child Development Program
- * Richmond Childhood Public Health Services
- * Vancouver Coastal Health
- * BC Ministry of Children and Family Development



Mission Statement

To provide the highest standard of care for the children of Hamilton, through inclusion, support and respect. Our Child Care programs are fully licensed. The school is open from September to June, except on statutory holidays, public school breaks and professional development days per program.

We value the special and unique nature of each child in our care, and we believe it is important to honour the children's diversity while celebrating their similarities. We also recognize that each child's family is special and unique, and that families – like their children are as diverse as they are similar.

We **warm-heartedly welcome ALL families** to HCA's Child Care Services preschool and school-age care programs, regardless of size, form, culture, ethnicity, race, religion, sexual orientation, or economic status.

The Curriculum

The **curriculum** in our programs is based on the children's expressed interests and developmental needs, and is planned on a week-to-week and/or month-to-month basis. Each and every day there are a variety of indoor activities available for the children to explore and investigate – including ones that address the diverse backgrounds of the children in our care, their families, and our community. Emphasis is placed on learning through play, and children have the freedom and opportunity to develop five developmental selves (social, emotional, physical, intellectual, and creative) by engaging in experiences that are enriching, interesting, and fun. Our program plays outside everyday- we ask that children dress in appropriate outer wear to enjoy outside play in rain or shine.

Age Guidelines

For your child to be eligible for registration in Hamilton's Licensed Preschool programs, your child must be 3 years of age by Dec. 31 of THAT school year. Meaning, if you would like to register your child for 2022/2023, your child will need to be 3 by December 31, 2021. If your child turns 3 after this date, the child will not be eligible for registration until the 2023/2024 school year.

Questions? Please contact: Director of Child Care Services

Phone: (604) 204-8655, Email: ayipp@richmond.ca

Visit our website: hamiltonchildcare.org

Registration Details for the 2022/2023 School Year

How to Register

To register, please contact the Director of Child Care to receive our registration forms and program information.

Available spaces for School Year 2021/2022 programs will be announced: March 18, 2022.

Registration will be available online starting: Wed. April 6/22, 6:00 pm.

Register online at www.richmond.ca/register through the My Richmond registration account.

Families can create their registration account by visiting www.richmond.ca

** It is recommended that parents practice logging in and using the system prior to registration.*

A \$50 non-refundable registration fee is due at the time of registration to secure a space.

A registration package will be emailed shortly after registration.

Registration packages must be completed and returned within one week in order to complete the registration process.

Rainbows and Unicorns Preschool Programs

3 – 5 years combined | Mon/Wed/Fri

8:30 – 11:30 am (3hrs)	\$253.95 per month
12:00 – 2:30 pm (2.5 hrs)	\$211.65 per month

3 – 5 years combined | Tue/Thu

8:30 – 11:00 am (2.5 hours)	\$152.65 per month
8:30 am - 12:30 pm (4 hours)	\$244.20 per month

***Monthly fees do NOT include Winter Break & Spring Break as Preschool will be closed for these seasonal break days.**

***Occasionally there may be field trips/special presentations that may require an additional fee.**