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## CONTACT INFORMATION

Director: Lynn Allison  
Email: [lynn.allison@aah.org](mailto:lynn.allison@aah.org)  
847-990-5800

## DAYS & HOURS

**Monday-Friday:**  
6:30 AM - 5:30PM

## REGISTRATION & TUITION

**Registration Begins:**  
Ongoing

**Registration Fee:**  
\$50

**Tuition and Rates:**  
We offer full-time and part-time enrollment

**The rates below are for full-time enrollment:**

Infants - \$463/week  
Toddlers - \$414/week  
Two-Year Old's - \$401/week  
Preschool and Kindergarten - \$341/week

Call the Center for part-time rates and to schedule a tour

## THE STUDENTS

**Student Teacher Ratio:**  
Infants - 1:4  
Toddlers - 1:5  
Two's - 1:8  
Preschool (3-5 years) 1:10  
Kindergarten - 1:20

**Student Age Range:**  
6 weeks through 5 years

**Toilet Training Policy:**  
We work each child and family individually. Families and staff will work together to help toilet train the child in a cooperative, agreeable, and positive way.

**Class Size:**  
Infant daily capacity - 8  
Toddler daily capacity - 15  
Two-Year old daily capacity - 16  
Preschool daily capacity - 20  
Kindergartarten daily capacity - 20

# ADVOCATE CONDELL DAY CENTER EARLY LEARNING AND CARE

700 Garfield Avenue, Libertyville IL 60048

## PHILOSOPHY

- We believe that children learn at different paces.
- We believe learning takes place in a variety of ways through a variety of materials.
- We believe that play is the work of children.
- We believe that play serves as a tool for learning and developing.
- We believe that through exploration, creativity and self-expression, children develop self-esteem.
- We believe that peace of mind is an important factor in creating a manageable family life. Our program is devoted to providing a safe, secure, and comfortable environment for children and their families.
- We believe that age-appropriate experiences help children become confident, curious, and comfortable in social situations and help promote cooperation while building a solid foundation for lifelong learning and success.

## CURRICULUM

Our curriculum enhances the children's environment and supports play based learning. By using the Creative Curriculum, children apply skills learned through their play and address the four areas of development: social/emotional, physical, cognitive, and language. Our curriculum is designed to foster development of the whole child. Children's interest and teacher guided learning lead to activities with purpose. Inspired activities center around the interest areas such as language/literacy, math, science, blocks, dramatic play, manipulative, art, sensory, music and movement, technology and outdoors.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**Accreditation:** Silver Circle of Quality awarded by ExcelRate Illinois

**Facility Established:** 1992

**Facility Details:** On hospital grounds and connected to Condell hospital; indoor gym; outside playground;

**Enrichment programs:** Amazing Athletes, Karate Zoo, Music, Spanish, and Ceramics;

**Summer program:** educational field trips, In-house educational field trips - magician, Bubble Man, Frog Lady, etc. are planned throughout the year.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Director: Samantha Kunio  
Email: sophia@altavistamontessori.com  
847-918-1621

## DAYS & HOURS

**Monday-Friday:**  
7AM - 6PM

## REGISTRATION & TUITION

**Registration Begins:**  
Year Round  
**Registration Fee:**  
\$50  
**Tuition and Rates:**  
Varies with program

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**Accreditation:** AMI Montessori  
**Facility Established:** 1998  
**Facility Details:** Large classroom,  
playground, and playroom

# ALTA VISTA MONTESSORI SCHOOL

1850 W Winchester Rd, Libertyville IL 60048

## PHILOSOPHY & CURRICULUM

We follow the Montessori Method and Philosophy.

## THE STUDENTS

**Student Teacher Ratio:**  
Varies with age

**Student Age Range:**  
6 weeks through 6 years

**Toilet Training Policy:**  
Must be toilet trained to enter 3-year-old  
program.

**Class Size:**  
Varies with age

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Director: Carrie Stanek  
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(847) 465-3431

## PHILOSOPHY

Bright Horizons® is trusted by families around the world to provide care and education for their children. In more than 1,000 child care centers in the United States and beyond, we offer the highest-quality care and learning that delivers both the solution working parents need, and the classroom experiences children deserve to get ready for school and become enthusiastic learners for life.

Our research-based World at Their Fingertips® curriculum meets children where they are developmentally, with Signature Practices that build confidence and excitement about learning at every age and stage. In every classroom, the goal is to help children do more than learn; it's to cultivate the joy of learning. And our emergent approach — teaching skills by leveraging a child's own interests — enables teachers to tailor activities and projects for the specific talents and needs of each child in the class.

## DAYS & HOURS

Monday-Friday:  
7:00 AM – 6:00 PM

## THE STUDENTS

### Student Teacher Ratio:

Our ratios meet all Illinois state guidelines

### Student Age Range:

Infant – Kindergarten, plus summer camp

### Toilet Training Policy:

Not required for admission

### Class Size:

Varies by age groups

## REGISTRATION & TUITION

### Registration Begins:

Rolling admission

### Registration Fee:

\$150

### Tuition and Rates:

Varies by age group

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**Accreditation:** NAEYC and ExceleRate Illinois Gold

**Facility Established:** 1999

Age-appropriate outdoor playgrounds, outdoor gardens, music room, library, and science lab.

# CDW AT PLAY CHILD CARE CENTER BY BRIGHT HORIZONS

165 N. LAKEVIEW PARKWAY, VERNON HILLS, IL 60061

## CURRICULUM

### Infants:

Our program offers individualized care for your baby. Highlights include: an assigned primary caregiver for one-to-one moments of caring, play, and communication; personalized care plans to support daily schedules, nutritional guidelines, and other unique needs; and, sensory-rich spaces and soft places to explore, roll over, pull up, and crawl.

### Toddlers:

Our toddler program is a safe place for your newly independent child to test out and learn new skills, wonder about everything, and discover how to make friends. It's all alongside teachers who know every day that they're not caring for any child, but the most important child — yours. Highlights include: support for newfound independence, language, and social skills; a focus on individual growth and making choices; learning centers that encourage language and reading, fine motor skills, math, art, dramatic play, science, and outdoor learning; and, a relaxed environment to foster individual development and self-help skills.

### Preschoolers:

Preschoolers are ready to take chances and experiment with new things. With teachers' support, these inquisitive young minds will tackle new challenges, and advance the skills they'll need for kindergarten and beyond. Highlights include: independent, teacher-directed, and small-group activities that encourage investigation, exploration, and discovery; learning approaches that adapt to each child and incorporate their strengths and interests; curriculum that supports creative expression, literacy, music, and more; confidence-building opportunities to solve problems and make decisions; and, STEM learning that encourages future-forward skills.

### Kindergarteners:

The last year before kindergarten is a time of enormous and exciting growth. As a parent, you want your child to enjoy this stage while building the right skills for the steps ahead. We offer a program that gives you both; teachers who cherish this important time, and curriculum recognized by parents and teachers for helping children build the social and academic skills needed to be ready for school. Highlights include: teachers who encourage children to reach developmental and academic milestones; creative, hands-on, and project-based learning; support for core pre-academic areas including literacy, mathematical reasoning, and scientific investigation; multiple and diverse learning activities that ensure children thrive in all areas of development; and, focus on the understanding of teamwork and positive self-image.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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847-816-3590  
[www.facebook.com/thechildrenshouseoflibertyville](http://www.facebook.com/thechildrenshouseoflibertyville)

## DAYS & HOURS

**Monday-Friday:**  
7:15-5:15

The Children's House of Libertyville is offering an Extended Day Montessori Program for children ages 4-5. We also offer a exciting summer program for 3-5 year olds.

## REGISTRATION & TUITION

**Registration Begins:**  
Year-Round

**Registration Fee:**  
\$75

**Tuition and Rates:**  
Varies. Based on age.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**Accreditation:** Montessori Affiliate  
**Facility Established:** 1999  
We offer an Infant Classroom, Toddler Classroom, Combined Infant/Toddler Classroom, Two year old classroom and two classrooms serving 3-5 year olds, as well as an Extended Day program.

# THE CHILDREN'S HOUSE OF LIBERTYVILLE

223 W. Golf Rd, Libertyville 60048

## PHILOSOPHY

At The Children's House of Libertyville, we guide and follow the child, constantly striving to create an environment that is autonomous and independent, nurturing the development of each individual child. The Montessori Philosophy of Education is one of respect for self, others and the environment. We endeavor to be partners with you in the education and care of your child.

## CURRICULUM

The curriculum is built around each child's developmental interest. It is the goal of the school to meet the developmental needs of each child - social, emotional, physical, and intellectual within the context of the "prepared environment" essential to a Montessori education.

## THE STUDENTS

**Student Teacher Ratio:**  
Infant= 1-4, Toddler =1-5,  
Two's= 1-8, 3-5 Pre Primary =1-10

**Student Age Range:**  
6 weeks through 5 years

**Toilet Training Policy:**  
Potty training begins in year 2 and/or when the child is developmentally ready. Children applying for 3-5 year old class must be toilet-trained.

**Class Size:**  
15-20

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Director: Kathy Davis  
Email: clcpreschooleaol.com  
847-367-5791

## DAYS & HOURS

### Monday-Friday:

2-5 day options

AM session 8:30-11:30

PM session 11:30-2 pm

Enrichment with extended hours until 4 pm

## REGISTRATION & TUITION

### Registration Begins:

February 1, 2024

### Registration Fee:

\$125.00 non-refundable

### Tuition and Rates:

\$210 - \$491 monthly tuition

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### Facility Established: 1993

Large one-story building

Six classrooms

Small kitchen

Outside fenced playground

# CHRIST LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL

595 N. Deerpath Drive, Vernon Hills IL 60061

## PHILOSOPHY

Our positive school environment helps children feel good about themselves and allows their attitudes, skills and curiosity to expand. We learn through fun! Our objectives are to stimulate young children to love learning and to provide the highest quality early childhood educational experience for every child. We encourage responsible behavior in our children, especially group cooperation and concern for others. Our hands-on approach to creative preschool curriculum gives children an opportunity to grow socially, emotionally, intellectually, spiritually and physically at their own pace.

## CURRICULUM

We have a play-based curriculum that provides balanced activities for whole child development with emphasis on music, art, creative play, science, reading readiness, math readiness, Christian values and community awareness.

## THE STUDENTS

### Student Teacher Ratio:

8-10 to 1

### Student Age Range:

2-5 years

### Toilet Training Policy:

We do not require that your child be toilet trained

### Class Size:

8-20

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Director of Admissions: Alane Malicay  
Email: [amalicay@eastlakeacademy.org](mailto:amalicay@eastlakeacademy.org)  
847-247-0035 ext. 204

## DAYS & HOURS

### Monday-Friday:

PreK 3 and 4 day - 8:00-11:30am  
PreK 3 options - 3 and 5 morning per week  
programs available  
PreK 4 - 5 morning per week program  
Optional PreK Plus - an extended day  
program until 3:00pm  
Optional Before and Aftercare available

## REGISTRATION & TUITION

### Registration Begins:

Rolling admissions

### Registration Fee:

\$150 application fee

### Tuition and Rates:

Call Director of Admissions, Alane Malicay  
for information or check out our **website:**  
[www.eastlakeacademy.org](http://www.eastlakeacademy.org)

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### Accreditation

RC Education Accreditation

### Facility Established: 2001

We have a new playground, outdoor  
basketball, turf soccer field, Science Lab,  
school library, music room and art room

*We understand that you are entrusting us  
with your precious child. We are dedicated  
and committed to educating, forming, and  
teaching your child in the classroom while  
we partner up with you, the primary  
educators, in raising confident, kind, smart,  
and joyful future leaders of society.*

# EAST LAKE ACADEMY

13911 W. Laurel Drive, Lake Forest, IL 60045

## PHILOSOPHY

We are dedicated to forming the whole child by providing a program of accelerated academics, character, faith and apostolic formation. Our method is designed to develop our students as strong Catholic leaders who have a positive influence on society. East Lake Academy education focuses on the heart, mind and soul of our students, as they learn to love Catholic values and develop a sense of what is good, right, noble, just, and beautiful.

## CURRICULUM

A strong academic curriculum in the fundamentals including:

**Catholic Faith** - Faith in God, love of Jesus, Old and New Testament Bible stories, Pre-K mass, Holy Hour, chapel visits, introduction to service and virtue formation.

**Language arts** - letter recognition/phonics, beginning reading skills, speaking/listening skills, handwriting, sentence structure.

**Math** - number recognition/concepts, shapes, counting concepts, beginning addition/subtraction, time, money, calendar concepts.

**Science** - space, earth science/plants, water, life science/animals, human body, concepts of the scientific process.

**Social studies** - historical figures, patriotic themes, geography.

**Spanish** - colors, numbers, language basics through the communicative approach.

**Specials** - Gym, Music and Art weekly.

## THE STUDENTS

### Student Teacher Ratio:

8:1 student/teacher ratio

### Student Age Range:

3-4-year-olds for Preschool Program  
(whole school is PreK-8th grade)

### Toilet Training Policy:

Students entering the PreK program are required to be fully potty-trained before admission

### Class Size:

Maximum students in PreK class: 16 students

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Director: Sarah McAuliffe

Email:

growingwithgracepreschool@gmail.com

847-254-5820

## DAYS & HOURS

**Days and hours vary**– see website for updated information:

growingwithgracepreschool.org

## REGISTRATION & TUITION

### Registration Begins:

Mid January 2024

### Registration Fee:

\$100 for first child, \$25 for each additional child.

\$50 for Adventures class (if not registering for a core class) and Tiny Twos students.

### Tuition and Rates:

Check our website:

[growingwithgracepreschool.org](http://growingwithgracepreschool.org)

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### Accreditation

ELEA member, D70 Partner, Main Street  
Libertyville Member

### Facility Established: 2006

Classrooms, multi-purpose room,  
playground, garden, bike area, grass field,  
and church sanctuary

# GROWING WITH GRACE PRESCHOOL

501 Valley Park Drive. Libertyville, IL 60048

## PHILOSOPHY

Welcome to Growing with Grace Preschool – an early childhood ministry of Grace Lutheran Church – that offers programming for two to five-year-olds.

We strive to build the foundation of a positive educational experience and a love for learning with every student who passes through our doors.

## CURRICULUM

We teach by using a combination of child-centered and teacher-directed activities and focus on developing the whole child through a variety of hands-on individual and group activities.

We utilize a play and theme based, developmentally appropriate curriculum. We develop social skills, self-regulation, and empathy. We build the ability to problem solve through hands-on experiences and develop creativity through exploration of a variety of art materials and styles.

Pre-kindergarten readiness skills are taught and we use the Handwriting without Tears program and the Bridges math curriculum.

## THE STUDENTS

### Student Teacher Ratio:

Terrific Twos 10:2 Tremendous Threes 15:2

Fabulous Fours 15:2 Student Age Range: 2

### Student Age Range:

2-5 years

### Toilet Training Policy:

Twos programs– Potty trained not required

Threes and Fours programs– Potty trained required

### Class Size:

10 students in Twos programs and 15 students in  
Threes/Fours/Adventures programs

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Director: Julie Herchenbach  
Email: [jherchenbach@libertyville.com](mailto:jherchenbach@libertyville.com)  
847-367-3075

## DAYS & HOURS

2-3 years Tues/Fri. 8:45-11:00 AM  
3-4 years Mon/Wed/Thurs 8:45-11:15 AM  
Pre-K Mon/Wed/Thurs 8:45-11:15 AM  
Enrichment-11:45-2:15PM

## REGISTRATION & TUITION

**Registration Begins:**

February 1, 2024

**Registration Fee:**

\$100

**Tuition and Rates:**

R=Resident, NR=Non-resident

2-3 years old- 2 days a week-\$1665

R/\$1800 NR

3-4 years old and Pre-K 3 days a week

\$2700 R/ \$2835 NR

Can be paid monthly Sept-May or in full at registration.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**Facility Established:** Over 35 years ago

We occupy a self-contained building that has indoor large motor facilities as well as a fenced in playground surrounded by nature.

Also offer Lunch Bunch and Enrichment classes.

# KINDER KORNER PRESCHOOL

870 Country Club Dr. Libertyville IL 60048

## PHILOSOPHY

We believe "learning through play" is essential to child development and the learning process. We believe that learning begins at a very early age, and we create an atmosphere where a wide range of experiences are available in happy and positive surroundings. We give the children the opportunity to explore, discover, problem solve, respect others, and build self-esteem. Themes are integrated in a fun way through play, games, and activity centers of art, science, math, dramatic play, reading, language/literacy and music.

## CURRICULUM

Our play-based curriculum includes age-appropriate math, science and literature activities that foster excitement for learning and exploring. We include activities that help the children share and work together, and we promote learning all the skills that will make them successful and have a positive attitude towards learning.

## THE STUDENTS

**Student Teacher Ratio:**

2-3 years 6:1, Other-7:1

**Student Age Range:**

2-5 years

**Toilet Training Policy:**

2's do not need to be potty trained, all others -Yes

**Class Size:**

Max 7-14

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Director: Adrienne Johnson  
Email: [ajohnson.lcns@att.net](mailto:ajohnson.lcns@att.net)  
847-367-0926

## DAYS & HOURS

### Monday - Friday

8:45 - 11:15, Extended Day options available

## REGISTRATION & TUITION

### Registration Begins:

January - ongoing with availability

### Registration Fee:

Contact the school office for current rates  
or visit us at [www.libertyvilleco-op.net](http://www.libertyvilleco-op.net)

### Tuition and Rates:

Contact the school office for current  
programs and tuition rates or visit  
[www.libertyvilleco-op@att.net](http://www.libertyvilleco-op@att.net)  
\*\*Parent Helper Opt-Out fees are  
available

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**Accreditation:** Licensed by IL  
Department of Children and Family  
Services

**Facility Established:** 1945

Fenced in playground, bikes/scooters  
Child-sized restrooms in most  
classrooms

# LIBERTYVILLE COOPERATIVE NURSERY SCHOOL

1190 W. Winchester Road, Libertyville, IL 60048

## PHILOSOPHY

LCNS is dedicated to providing an age-appropriate, child centered curriculum that provides learning experiences to develop a child's skills, confidence and overall aptitude. Our play-based approach capitalizes on the natural curiosity and interests of children. Our teachers are facilitators within an active, collaborative environment. Children are guided through developmentally appropriate activities that encourage creative, purposeful investigation and align with the state's Early Learning and Development standards.

All areas of development are promoted through play, the work of the child! Our cooperative philosophy welcomes parents and families to play a crucial role in their child's early learning experience.

## CURRICULUM

Our play-based curriculum aligns with the Illinois Early Learning and Development Standards. All developmental areas are addressed and all types of learners are supported through our age-appropriate activities. Our curriculum is child-centered and engages young learners through a variety of explanatory learning opportunities.

## THE STUDENTS

### Student Teacher Ratio:

Varies by age

### Student Age Range:

2-5 years

### Toilet Training Policy:

Toilet training is not required but highly *recommended*

### Class Size:

Varies by age and classroom

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Director: Pamela Damesek  
Email: pdamesek@d70schools.org  
847-247-2694

## DAYS & HOURS

**Monday-Thursday**  
AM and PM programming

## REGISTRATION & TUITION

**Registration Begins:**  
Rolling

**Registration Fee:**  
A non-refundable deposit of \$235 will be required at the time of registration.

**Tuition and Rates:**  
Annual Fee: \$2350.  
Tuition is billed in 10 monthly installments.  
The first installment is your deposit.  
The other nine installments are billed September to May.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**Accreditation:** Illinois State Board of Education - Provide each and every child with safe and healthy learning conditions, great educators, and equitable opportunities by practicing data-informed stewardship of resources and policy development, all done in partnership with educators, families, and stakeholders.

**Facility Established:** 2022 for  
Community Peers

Housed at Butterfield School, Little Sprouts shares the school library, playgrounds and all resources

# LIBERTYVILLE DISTRICT 70- LITTLE SPROUTS

1441 Lake St. Libertyville, IL 60048  
(Housed at Butterfield School)

## PHILOSOPHY

We are excited to welcome your Libertyville District 70 preschoolers.

Little Sprouts Preschool services District 70 residents, ages 3-5. Students develop their knowledge of early learning skills through play-based curriculum while also learning age-appropriate skills.

## CURRICULUM

We utilize the Creative Curriculum. Inspire Children With Project-Based, Investigative Learning Build children's confidence, creativity, and critical thinking skills through hands-on, project-based investigations. Promote discovery and inquiry with opportunities for children to think critically and develop process skills with rich, hands-on investigations of relevant and interesting topics in the classroom.

## THE STUDENTS

**Student Teacher Ratio:**  
5:1

**Student Age Range:**  
3-5 years

**Toilet Training Policy:**  
We welcome all students

**Class Size:**  
15

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Director: Lynn Hauser  
Email: [libertyvillemontessori@gmail.com](mailto:libertyvillemontessori@gmail.com)  
847-362-5170

## DAYS & HOURS

**Monday - Friday**  
7:30 AM - 6:00 PM

### Registration Begins:

Ongoing all year

### Registration Fee:

Pre-primary - \$150

Primary - \$150

### Tuition and Rates:

Depends on age and program. Information on **website: [libertyvillemontessori.com](http://libertyvillemontessori.com)**

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**Accreditation:** AMS and recognized by the State of Illinois for kindergarten and elementary school

**Facility Established:** 1964

Libertyville Montessori School is a "Little Red Schoolhouse" situated on a lovely wooded, private, and secure, two-acre setting.

We offer unique, octagonal shaped classrooms, which house our pre-primary, primary, and elementary children.

We have a one-acre playground located at the rear of our property, which is entirely fenced in and maintains the natural setting of the wooded property.

# LIBERTYVILLE MONTESSORI SCHOOL

450 S. Butterfield Road Mundelein, IL 60060

## PHILOSOPHY

The philosophy of Libertyville Montessori School is one in which every child is treated with respect, and as a unique individual. We encourage the children to be independent workers and thinkers, through a variety of experiences and opportunities that are provided in a child-centered, prepared classroom, with the use of concrete Montessori materials.

## CURRICULUM

All classrooms are equipped with Montessori materials, which make it possible for hands on learning. The children are free to walk about the child-centered prepared classroom and choose presented work. Through the work, children develop order, concentration, discipline, independence, and self-confidence, as well as a love of learning. Our belief is that with self-confidence and self-esteem, a child can truly learn anything. The ongoing goal for the staff of Libertyville Montessori School will always be "MEET THE NEEDS OF EACH CHILD EACH DAY".

## THE STUDENTS

### Student Teacher Ratio:

18 months-3 year olds - 1:10

3-6 year olds - 1:16

6-9 year olds - 1:20

### Student Age Range:

18 months - 9 years old

### Toilet Training Policy:

Work with student and parents in regards to 2 year olds. Children ages 3-9 year old need to be potty trained.

### Class Size:

Varies by age and classroom

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Director: Ruth Reichenbach  
Email: [ruthr@vhparkdistrict.org](mailto:ruthr@vhparkdistrict.org)  
847-996-3486

## DAYS & HOURS

**Monday-Friday**  
7:15-5:00

## REGISTRATION & TUITION

**Registration Begins:**

Open enrollment year round

**Registration Fee:**

Available online

<https://www.vhparkdistrict.org/programs/childcare/>

**Tuition and Rates:**

Available online

<https://www.vhparkdistrict.org/programs/childcare/>

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**Accreditation:** Licensed by DCFS

**Facility Established:** January 2013

Secured childcare wing

Five extra-large childcare classrooms  
with child-size restrooms and hand  
washing sinks

Two outdoor gated playgrounds

For more information please visit

<https://www.vhparkdistrict.org/programs/childcare/>

# LITTLE LEARNERS CHILDCARE

700 Lakeview Parkway Vernon Hills, IL 60061

## PHILOSOPHY

We believe in creating an environment that will inspire each child to reach his/her fullest potential in the areas of social, emotional, physical and academic development. Our curriculum is developmentally appropriate according to each child's needs and is designed to meet the following goals:

1. To support and strengthen the family unit focusing on:
  - Strengthening each family's sense of community with other families.
  - Helping families work and play together.
  - Supporting each family's efforts to build good values in children.
2. To help children develop to their fullest potential, focusing on:
  - Self-awareness, confidence, and self-worth
  - Interpersonal relationships
  - Values development
  - Academic achievements
  - Physical skills
  - Health and nutrition
3. To provide childcare in a caring, safe, positive environment, focusing on:
  - Making sure that all children are safe.
  - Broadening children's and parent's understanding of their community, country and world.

## CURRICULUM

At Little Learners Childcare, we provide your children with high-quality fun experiences that will inspire each child to grow to his or her full potential. Our program offers a casual setting geared towards the needs and interest of each child. All five of our classrooms utilize a play and theme-based curriculum with aspects of High Scope, Montessori and Reggio Emilia.

## THE STUDENTS

**Student Teacher Ratio:**

Our ratios meet all DCFS guidelines

**Student Age Range:**

6 Weeks - 6 Years

**Toilet Training Policy:**

Not required for admission

**Class Size:**

Varies by age

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Director: Kim Forker  
Email: kim4kreaol.com  
847-362-7675

## DAYS & HOURS

### Monday thru Friday

9:00am to 11:30

Lunch Bunch extended to 12:30pm

## REGISTRATION & TUITION

### Registration Begins:

January 2024

### Registration Fee:

\$125.00

### Tuition and Rates:

2Day program-\$280.00 per month

3Day program-\$395.00 per month

4Day program-\$515.00 per month

5Day program-\$635.00 per month

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**Accreditation:** Licensed with The  
Department of Children and Family  
Services.

**Facility Established:** 1969.

The Libertyville school started in 1984.

Fenced in playground.

Matigian Preschool offers 2 summer  
programs.

# MATIGIAN PRESCHOOL

30450 N Center Ave Libertyville, IL 60048

## PHILOSOPHY

Our Curriculum focuses on centers that allow children to learn by exploring dramatic play, language arts, math, science, music, blocks, arts & crafts and outdoor play.

## CURRICULUM

Our curriculum is based on learning through play and hands on activities. Each child is given the opportunity to move through different stages of development by exploring a variety of methods, strategies and materials together with interactions between teachers and classmates.

## THE STUDENTS

### Student Teacher Ratio:

Room 1: 18 children, 4 teachers

Room 2: 20 children, 2 teachers

### Student Age Range:

2 years- 6 Years

### Toilet Training Policy:

Our program accepts children that are not potty trained

### Class Size:

Room 1: 18 children

Room 2: 20 children

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Director: Holli Blumberg  
Email: mums1401lake@aol.com  
847-566-4345

## DAYS & HOURS

**Monday thru Friday**  
6:30a.m.- 4:45 p.m.

## REGISTRATION & TUITION

### Registration Begins:

On Going

### Registration Fee:

1 child \$100  
2 Children \$125  
3 or more \$150

### 2023-2024 Tuition and Rates:

FULL DAY PROGRAM M-T-W-TH-F  
6:30am-6:00pm (currently closing at  
4:45pm)

**Infants** 5 days 370.00/week  
3 days 255.00/week

**Toddlers** 5 days 350.00/week  
3 days 240.00/week

**Two** 5 days 330.00/week  
3 days 230.00/week

**3-6 Year Olds** 5 days 310.00/week  
3 days 220.00/week

**Before Elementary School** 5 days  
95.00/week

**After Elementary School** 5 days  
130.00/week

**Before & After Elem. School** 5 days  
180.00/week

Full Day/Week off Public School 310/week

# MUNDELEIN MONTESSORI

1401 South Lake Street Mundelein, IL 60060

## PHILOSOPHY

Education is one of respect for others and the environment. We endeavor to be partners with parents in the education and care of their children.

## CURRICULUM

Montessori

## THE STUDENTS

### Student Teacher Ratio:

4 to 1 Infants  
5 to 1 Toddler  
8 to 1 Two's  
10 to 1 Preschool  
20 to 1 School-Agers

### Student Age Range:

6 weeks - 12 years

### Toilet Training Policy:

Every child is different

### Class Size:

Every class is different

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**Accreditation:** N/A.

**Facility Established:** 2002

Playground, small classroom sizes

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Director: Liz Hein  
Email: [tlombardo@sjslibertyville.org](mailto:tlombardo@sjslibertyville.org)  
847.362.0730

## DAYS & HOURS

### Monday thru Friday

3's M/W/F 8:00am-10:30am  
4's Monday-Friday 7:30am-2:00pm  
4's Monday-Friday 11:00am-2:00pm  
4's M/W/F 11:00am-2:00pm; T/Th 7:30am-2:00pm

## REGISTRATION & TUITION

### Registration Begins:

Registration for new families begins  
December 1, 2023.  
Please feel free to contact the school with  
any questions prior to the registration  
date.

### Registration Fee:

\$200 Registration fee

### Tuition and Rates:

\$400 Tuition deposit  
Varies by program; see the website  
[www.sjscatholic.org](http://www.sjscatholic.org) for details

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**Accreditation:** Accredited through  
the Illinois State Board of Education

### Facility Established: 1990

Dedicated classrooms with bathrooms  
within St. Joseph Catholic School.  
Playground, gym, library, media center,  
church.

Extended Day Program is available for  
children registered in our PK 4's  
programs.

# ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL

221 Park Place Libertyville, IL 60048

## PHILOSOPHY

Our preschool program is conceptually based and fosters curiosity, creativity and social interaction. We believe that a child's intellectual, physical, social, emotional and creative growth is nurtured through play, wonder, and active, meaningful involvement in first-hand experiences.

Preschool learning is about discovering through literature, math and science; it's about building confidence and esteem. At Little Knights, we believe all of this, and more can be learned through play-providing play that is meaningful. A child's play is their "work." We provide both guided and free play activities to nurture imagination, initiative and problem-solving.

Our curriculum utilizes the Developmentally Appropriate Practice (DAP) teaching techniques to provide our students with a significant, hands-on learning experience. The DAP approach helps children learn in a more fun, interactive and meaningful way.

Our program values teaching of socialization, cooperation and respect in a loving, Catholic faith environment.

## CURRICULUM

Children learn through their senses. Our curriculum utilizes monthly themes, incorporating different, interactive approaches to reinforce the concept being introduced. The following curriculum areas are included in our preschool program: Religion, Reading, Language Arts, Heggerty Phonemic Awareness, Math Readiness, Science/Discovery, Social Studies/Character Education, My Big World by Scholastic, Creative Arts Activities, Music & Movement, Physical Education, Library/Media, Art Appreciation, In-House Field Trips

## THE STUDENTS

### Student Teacher Ratio:

10:1

### Student Age Range:

3-4 years

### Toilet Training Policy:

Children must be toilet trained

### Class Size:

20

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Director: Ann Phillips  
Email: [vgmschool@icloud.com](mailto:vgmschool@icloud.com)  
847-281-9911

## DAYS & HOURS

**Monday thru Friday**  
7:30 AM-4:30 PM

## REGISTRATION & TUITION

**Registration Begins:**

February 1 for new families.

**Registration Fee:**

\$200

**Tuition and Rates:**

Varies based on flexible days and times.

See website:

[villagegreenmontessori.com](http://villagegreenmontessori.com)

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**Accreditation:** Member- American  
Montessori Society & Association of  
Illinois Montessori Schools

**Facility Established:** 2002  
Downtown Libertyville across from  
Cook Park. Courtyard, tot-lot and large  
gross motor area

Celebrating 20 years serving children  
and families!

# VILLAGE GREEN MONTESSORI

125 West Church Street, IL 60048

## PHILOSOPHY

Fun, nurturing environment where children grow socially and emotionally while building character and independence.

## CURRICULUM

Rich curriculum including language, math, science, cultural, art and music.

## THE STUDENTS

**Student Teacher Ratio:**

8/1

**Student Age Range:**

2-6 years

**Toilet Training Policy:**

Must be fully potty trained to enroll in the 3-6 program

**Class Size:**

18

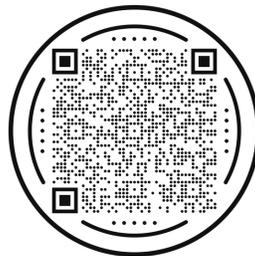
# DCFS SUNSHINE PROJECT

<https://sunshine.dcf.illinois.gov/Content/Licensing/Daycare/ProviderLookup.aspx>

## ABOUT

This website is a resource for anyone interested in licensed childcare in Illinois, including home-based care—parents, providers, and the public.

Not only can you find out about a licensed childcare facility's history, now you can learn about licensing standards, how to become a provider, where to find help with your childcare expenses, how to make a complaint, etc.



# Together for Childhood Network

1200 University Center Dr Grayslake IL 60030

## CONTACT INFORMATION

<https://www.togetherforchildhood.com/>

Phone: 847-630-1273

Founder: Martina A. Rocha

Email: bestfriendsdc1@gmail.com

## SERVICES

National and state-wide not-for-profit organization that supports educators, childcare providers, preschool teachers, baby-sitters, parents and community members through training and workshops.



# Lake County Health Dept. WIC Program

2400 Belvidere Rd., Waukegan, IL 60085

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Website: [bit.ly/lakewic](http://bit.ly/lakewic)

Phone: 847-377-8420

Assistant Coordinator: Monica Wood

Email: [mwood2@lakecountyil.gov](mailto:mwood2@lakecountyil.gov)

## SERVICES

- Nutrition Education
- Breastfeeding Support
- Supplemental Foods
- Community Referrals to breastfeeding and post partum for infants and children up to age 5



# Pediatric Interactions

649 Barron Blvd., Grayslake IL, 60030

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Patient Care Coordinator: Laura Yoder

Email: [lauray@pediatricinteractions.com](mailto:lauray@pediatricinteractions.com)

[www.pediatricinteractions.com](http://www.pediatricinteractions.com)

Phone: 847-223-7433



## SERVICES



Speech/  
Language



Feeding



Group Therapies &  
Specialized  
Programs

# Mobile Therapy Centers (MTC)

854 Technology Way, Libertyville, 60048



## CONTACT INFORMATION

<https://mtcus.com>

Phone: 847-830-2945

Marketing Manager: Lisa Krasner

Email: [lkrasner@mtcus.com](mailto:lkrasner@mtcus.com)

Relationship Manager: Missy Schufreider

Email: [mschufreider@mtcus.com](mailto:mschufreider@mtcus.com)

## SERVICES

Pediatric Therapy Provider:

- ABA/Autism
- Speech Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Behavioral Therapy
- Feeding Therapy
- Counseling

MTC sees children at our Libertyville & Crystal Lake clinics, at the child's home and at the child's school/daycare. MTC offers full and half day ABA Therapy for kids with Autism ages 2-6 at our clinics. Our Preschool-like settings provide a natural environment mimicking a real school day.

Contact us for a **FREE** Consultation/Screening at 800-977-9072, email [asktheteam@mtcus.com](mailto:asktheteam@mtcus.com) or visit [www.mtcus.com](http://www.mtcus.com).



# Additional Resources

## Clementine Early Childhood Community

526 N. Milwaukee Avenue, Libertyville, IL 60048

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Owner: Jessica Brown

Email: [jessica@clementinecommunity.com](mailto:jessica@clementinecommunity.com)

<https://clementinecommunity.com>

Phone: 847-770-0130

## SERVICES

Clementine is a Montessori parent-child classroom that offers weekly classes with carefully prepared activities that support children's whole development, encourage independence and concentration and help families build community.



# NOTES



Cook Memorial Public Library District  
Connect with us: 847-362-2330 • [cooklib.org](http://cooklib.org)