

Preschool / Pre-K

The YMCA exists to develop and practice the Christian principles of love, caring, inclusiveness, justice and peace ... and to enrich the emotional, physical and social life of all individuals, families and our community.

AGES:

CENTRAL BRANCH:

AGES: 6 WEEKS – PRE-KINDERGARTEN

HOURS OF OPERATION:

WALNUT STREET 7:00 A.M. – 6:00 P.M.

CENTRAL 6:45 A.M. – 6:00 P.M.

WALNUT STREET

AGES: 2 – PRE-KINDERGARTEN

WE PRACTICE CREATIVE CURRICULUM FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD IN OUR CLASSROOMS!

WALNUT STREET

LITTLE RASCALS – AGES 2 YRS. – 3 ½ YRS.

LITTLE PROFESSORS – AGES 3 ½ YRS. – 5 YRS.

Not only do children learn from their peers, they learn at their own pace. Walnut Street Preschool Program offers a multi-age faceted learning program that provides learning opportunities to children of all developmental stages. As developmental concepts are introduced to children, they grasp onto what they are ready to learn and hold onto other concepts until they are ready to understand them!

LITTLE RASCALS – AGES 2 YRS. – 3 ½ YRS.

The Little Rascals are just testing their independence and self help skills, like going potty on their own and using their words to ask for things. Socially and emotionally, the Little Rascals are learning essential skills on how to get along with others and how the world around them works. Access to a gym and playground also helps these children build strong large motor skills that they need for balance and coordination!

LITTLE PROFESSORS – AGES 3 ½ YRS – 5 YRS.

The Little Professors concentrate on readiness skills including recognition of upper and lower case alphabet letters, number recognition, beginning sounds, early science and math concepts such as patterns & sequencing, as well as other readiness skills needed for kindergarten. The Little Professors classroom also complete activities to build fine motor skills that they will need for writing.



Price: \$750.00 a month



Our child care centers are all proud participants in the Delaware Stars for Early Success quality improvement effort.



Participants of Nemours 5-2-1 Almost None

Learning Collaborative to Promote Activity and Healthy Eating

Our Preschool Programs offer:

- *Pre-kindergarten program*
- *POC Accepted*
- *Enriched Early Literacy Program*
- *Newer Clean Facility*
- *Nutritionally Balanced Meals Included!*
- *Warm, Caring Staff*
- *Bi-weekly swimming for Children 3/12 and older*
- *Weekly Science, Multi-sensory, and cooking activities*
- *Security System*



FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

CENTRAL

BUNNIES – AGES 6 WEEKS – 8 MONTHS

We have teachers who are knowledgeable in infant development, as well as interactive and responsive to your child's needs. Our infant room program offers new experiences to infants so they can explore their world by seeing, hearing, touching, tasting, smelling and exploring their environment.

LAMBS – AGES 8 MONTHS – 15 MONTHS

Babies learn through play!! Our teachers provide many opportunities for physical, intellectual, social and emotional development through interactive play with staff and other children their own age. Floor play enhances large motor skills that promote growth – assisting in the skills that are needed for walking and climbing!

BEARS – AGES 15 MONTHS – 2 YRS.

Our program in the Bear's classroom provides children with many opportunities to play and interact with other children, which in turn helps them build friends and develop social skills such as taking turns and sharing. Our teachers also create lesson plans that enhance and build language skills.

KANGAROOS, ELEPHANTS & GIRAFFES AGES 2 YRS. – 4 YRS. OF AGE

Our Preschool program includes activities that introduces and enhances developmental growth in all areas of children's development. Children will paint, build with blocks, color, use their imagination to create their own works of art and make new friends. Children will be introduced to pre-kindergarten concepts that will assist them as they get ready for school. The Downtown YMCA Child Development Centers also give children numerous opportunities to run, jump and build strong bodies!

LION CLASSROOM – PRE-KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM

Our pre-kindergarten program prepares your child for their first formal year of school, kindergarten! Children learn their upper and lower case alphabet letters, numbers, work on beginning word sounds and writing skills! Our pre-k program also concentrates on problem solving techniques and non-aggressive resolutions.

Price: Children under 2 years of age \$785.00 Per Month

Children 2 years and older \$750.00 a month

Financial Assistance Available for those who qualify!

