

## Our Mission: The Whole Child

We pride ourselves on making sure that we are providing essential tools to allow for the “whole child” approach to development here at the YWCA Childcare Center. That means that every activity has a purpose that will help your child develop in all areas and will give them the foundation that they need to excel in the future.

## Our Staff

Our teachers are passionate, nurturing, and caring. They are all trained in First Aid and CPR and they either have their Child Development Associates, or are working toward it.

## Our Curriculum

Our center incorporates two different curriculums. First is our High Scope Curriculum. Play-based, child-centered, and grounded in research, the High Scope Curriculum features active learning at its core. In a High Scope classroom, children are guided to explore, interact, and exercise their creative imagination through purposeful play.

Our second curriculum is one that was created to challenge our kiddos with strong academic skills. Each classroom works on math, language arts, science, writing, and multicultural lessons. We incorporate both curriculums from age 6 weeks to 5 years.

## Quality Services to Enhance the Lives of Everyone

Our goal at the YWCA is to provide quality services to all in order to enhance their lives in all areas. We service individuals from 6 weeks to 5 years in our childcare center. We pride ourselves on being affordable, inclusive, and available to our community.



## YWCA Discovery Childcare Center

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## Language Development

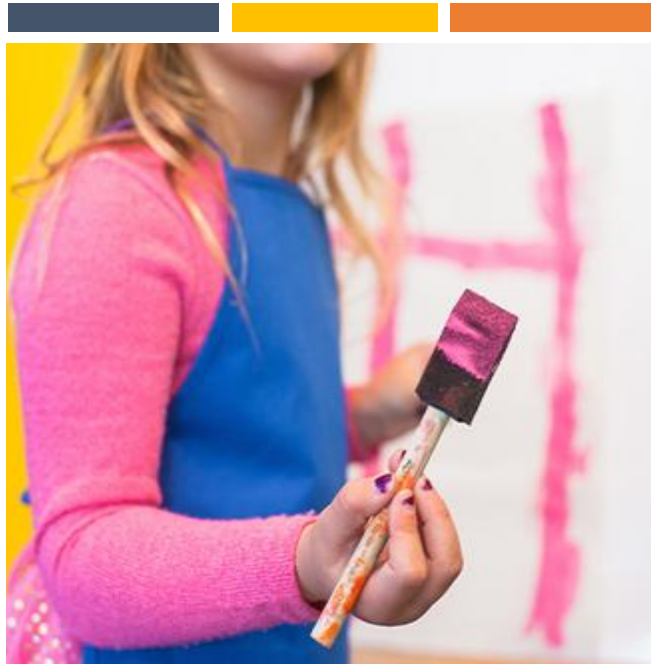
Children can begin developing language skills at birth. With our carefully designed curriculum, we are able to incorporate language development for our children starting at 6 weeks of age. We provide low ratios and activities that help our children learn to communicate their needs. Our teachers take anecdotal notes, and chart the development of all of our children and have parent teacher conferences twice a year to discuss their progress and needs.

## Social and Emotional Development

A child can learn social skills as early as 24 hours old. Our teachers use play based methods and strategic planning to incorporate social and emotional development in all of our classrooms.

## Cognitive Development

A child's brain absorbs information while still in the womb. Our curriculum provides continuous learning in cognitive development. Your child will be retaining information to strengthen their cognitive skills in every classroom in our center.



**“The best teachers show you where to look but don't tell you what to see.”**

## Physical Development

When a child moves, a child learns. We know how important physical development is to children. We offer fine motor development from 6 weeks to 5 years of age by finger painting all the way up to writing their letters, numbers, and drawing shapes. We also have a large gym and playground for our children to engage in gross motor activities several times a day.

## Parent Involvement

Parents and families connecting to their children as much as possible during early childhood care and education is essential for growth and development. We offer a wide range of volunteer opportunities as well as parent teacher conferences twice a year.

