Younger Full Day Preschool Year Round Program Concordia University Chicago Early Childhood Education Center

Age Requirement 2-3 years old

Our Younger Full Day Preschool program offers a play-based environment to foster children's inquisitive minds and active bodies. Our highly qualified teachers provide child-centered experiences to develop children's natural curiosity through project-based learning. Our SCALE Curriculum supports spiritual, social-emotional, communication, physical and cognitive development.

SCALE Curriculum:

Spiritual and Social-Emotional Learning

Teachers model positive relationships and social skills in a nurturing, Christian environment.

Children practice cooperation with adults and peers and demonstrate self-confidence as they make independent choices and lead their own learning.

Communication for Learning

Children are encouraged to communicate their needs and feelings with others, respond to simple instructions, and begin to tell stories.

Children develop early literacy through book reading, rhyming games and songs in a language rich environment.

Artistic Endeavors in Learning -

Children explore art materials and engage in creative movement, singing and instrument playing.

Teachers facilitate dramatic play by providing ample materials, space and time.

Lifestyle and Learning

Children learn healthy eating habits, self-help skills, and are supported in toilet-training.

Teachers provide indoor and outdoor experiences for children to develop flexibility, strength, and coordination of large and small muscles.

Exploration and Learning

Children use their senses to explore and discover mathematical and scientific concepts through manipulative play, constructing, gardening and baking.

Children learn to respect and care for the classroom and outdoor environment.

program highlights

Ongoing and collaborative relationships with families support children's learning

Daily Jesus time and bi-weekly chapel promote Christian values

Project-based approach to learning allows children to delve deeply into topics of interest

Utilizing Concordia University Chicago's campus for daily learning opportunities, project work, and physical exercise

Outdoor playground and patio areas incorporate natural environment

Ongoing portfolio assessment documents children's progress

Working with Concordia University Chicago professors and students





details

Program time 7:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Program days M-F, M/W/F, or T/Th

Class size Limited to 16 children
per classroom with a ratio of 1:8

Meals served Breakfast, lunch
and snack

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