

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to offer a high quality experiential learning environment for children and families. At Play & Say, we believe that an optimal environment is one where learning is rooted in play-based, multi-sensory, language-rich experiences that foster meaningful and reciprocal relationships.

Our Unique Curriculum

Our curriculum is a hybrid program which emphasizes a constructivist approach to early childhood education that is rooted in the theories of Piaget, Dewey and Vygotsky. We believe that children are active learners with a natural curiosity to explore and discover how the world around them functions. For this reason, our program themes are developed primarily in collaboration with our students and their families so that the teaching is meaningful and applicable to the students in the class.



PRE-K PREP PROGRAM



Our Philosophy

Children learn best when they are respected and encouraged to be active participants in the learning process. Modern research suggests that optimal learning and understanding occurs in warm, consistent, and caring environments.

Additional Benefits

- Improvement in Self-Care
- Increased Independence
- Creative Problem Solving
- Heightened Self-Confidence
- Ongoing Performance Evaluation from NYS-licensed Speech-Language Pathologists & Occupational Therapists

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OUR PROGRAM

Our Pre-K Prep Program is open to all children 3-4 years old. As an emergent learning center, Play & Say's Pre-K Prep Program is socially relevant, intellectually engaging, and personally meaningful to children and their families. In emergent learning, both children and adults take initiative and make decisions regarding the curriculum.

Reggio Emilia Inspiration

We have chosen to model our program and methodology on the concepts promoted through the Reggio Emilia schools in Italy. The Reggio Emilia framework is an approach to early childhood education that emphasizes the child's role in his/her learning and development of self. Activities are handcrafted based on the unique interests of the learners in our class.

Montessori Influence

The child's environment and experiences fosters discovery of their true potential and development of an organized, engaged, and focused mind. The Montessori experience prepares children to be curious, lifelong learners, as well as good citizens, future innovators, and able leaders.



"a child is a beautiful, strong, skillful, creative, curious being with an innate potential"

- Louris Malaguzzi



Curriculum Components

1 The Image of The Child

Teaching is not adult directed—it is rooted in the concept and the belief that children are constructors of their own learning.

2 The Role of The Teacher

We see children as participants in the learning process—not just passive vessels – allows the teachers and adults in the program to share in the process while guiding and mentoring children's ideas.

3 Community of Learners

As a community of learners we have the responsibility to develop our understanding and knowledge of the child's experience within his/her family and community and to extend an open invitation to the child's family to be an active member of our Community of Learners.

4 Environment as a Third Teacher

The classroom environment was inspired by Maria Montessori including areas for specific skill building, child-sized chairs and tables, and materials that promote self-help and independence.

5 Curriculum Content and Flow

The curriculum is a child-centered, play-oriented, emergent curriculum developed specifically to prepare children for the demands of kindergarten.

Schedule & Tuition:

- Monday-Thursday 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- Breakfast (provided by us)
- Lunch (sent from home) - Nut Free!
- Weekly Specialized Instruction
 - Creative Arts/Music & Movement
 - Sensory Integration
 - Learning Without Tears Handwriting
 - Play to Read Phonics Program
- Our Pre-K Prep Program is tuition-based and follows a monthly tuition billing schedule. Please see enrollment packet for details.