

Welcome To The Kinder Program



OUR PHILOSOPHY

Tache Early Learning center believes that every child is a unique individual with rights for love, respect and quality childcare in a warm and nurturing environment. We believe that children learn through play and self-exploration. Children are provided with opportunities to grow socially, emotionally, physically and intellectually. Children are encouraged to develop self-confidence, independence, creativity and appropriate social skills. They will have the opportunity to learn how to solve their own problems, become capable of thinking for themselves and gain respect for one's feelings, property and environment.

Our team of childcare professionals tries to ensure quality care is provided to all children by providing a safe and nurturing environment. Since parents play the most important role in their child's life, it is of utmost importance that parents/guardians and the childcare staff develop a trusting relationship and share information regarding their child/children with each other. This combined effort will indeed enhance shaping your child's development.

ABOUT OUR PROGRAM

Independence and self help skills are strongly encouraged and expected from schoolage children. Children are expected to dress themselves for outdoor play, bathroom independently and open lunch containers on their own. Children are also expected to clean up after themselves throughout the day.

Your children's **safety** is very important to us. Children are supervised at all times during play. Indoor and outdoor areas are always scanned for any harmful materials before play. Hands are washed many times throughout the day, before meal times, after bathroom times and after coming in from outside.

Journals and Seesaw: Journals will be sent home on your child's kinder day, via email. These journals will have a short paragraph explaining what we did that day in our program or will tell you to check out Seesaw. Seesaw is an app where each program posts photos of the children participating in daily activities.

Meal times happen three times a day (on your child's kinder days). There is morning snack, lunch and an afternoon snack. The centre **DOES NOT PROVIDE FOOD** for the children, all meals are provided by parents/guardians. We recommend for every child to have 2 items for morning snack, a main lunch item accompanied with a few snacks and 2 more items for afternoon snack. On school days, your child will be offered an afternoon snack time when they return from school.

KINDER SUPPLY LIST

Lunch Bag

Water Bottle

(can be used for school/kinder program as
it will stay in their backpack)

Spare Clothing (to be kept in backpack)

Indoor shoes

Outdoor shoes

Outdoor clothing (weather dependent)

EMERGENT CURRICULUM & PLAY AREAS

Tache early learning centre strives to implement an emergent based curriculum. Emergent Curriculum is planning children's learning based on the children's skills and interests. The goal is to express their individual strengths and support unique learning.

DRAMATIC PLAY

This is where children take on roles and act them out as a way of exploring themselves and the world around them. Pretending to be someone or something else (examples: Chef, doctor, teacher, mom) engages children in multiple thinking processes to construct an understandings of their social and physical worlds. In this area you will find dress up clothes, play food and appliances, tools, baby dolls and furniture, etc.



GROSS MOTOR

gross motor skills encourage physical development. we rotate different items often to give children the opportunity to use different muscles, and to build strength and confidence in their bodies. some Examples of gross motor objects are, mats, tunnels, stepping stones, slides and climbers. We also implement age appropriate movement games, dance, go on walks and use the school parks when we can.

SENSORY AND SCIENCE

Children use their senses to learn the world around them. They touch, smell, see, taste, and hear. We provide and rotate a variety of materials to our senseory bins to encourage sensory development. We add materiels such as cups, spoons, funnels, scoops etc. with diffrent textured, age appropriate materials such as water, lentils, sand, leaves and many more. Around the area you can also find things like sensory bottles, nature items and loose parts. We also provide opportunities to explore nature and use the scientific method to conduct different experiments based off our own hypotheses.



QUIET AREA/LIBRARY

In every program we like to have an area for the children to feel extra cozy in. in this area you will find a variety of books, comfy seats, stuffed animals, blankets and fine motor activities like puzzles, quiet games or fidgets. The area will also have writing supplies, coloring supplies and other tools kids may need to help themselves regulate throughout the day.

DAILY SCHEDULE



6:45 - 8:45

Free Play

8:45 - 9:45

Morning Meeting + Snack

9:45 - 10:45

Outdoor Exploration

10:45 - 11:45

Guided Activity

11:45 - 1:00

Lunch + Wellness Hour

1:00 - 2:00

Guided Activity

2:00 - 3:00

Unguided Activity
Free Play

3:00 - 5:45

Free Play

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- The children in the kinder program are school aged children. This means, as per our parent policy (pg. 26): we are not accepting drop offs between 8:00AM and 8:30AM. This is to ensure all children are accounted for and kept safe during a busy transition of transporting children to class. Even on your child's non-school day, we will not accept drop offs in that time frame as we still have the rest of the group to transport and we want to ensure we know where each child is at all times.
- We will have a microwave in the program for if your child has a lunch that needs to be warmed up. We will not have a way to keep lunches or items cold for the children so please provide an ice pack in your child's lunch.
- Water bottles will not be washed at the kinder program, they will remain in your child's backpack when they are not in use.
- If you drop your child off after 9:00 AM, please ensure they have sunscreen on (in summer) as we may already be outside. In winter, if we are already outside, you may need to dress them in their winter gear before bringing them to the group.
- If your child is being dropped off after 12:30, please ensure they have eaten lunch as we may not have the staff to properly supervise them and ensure their safety while they eat.

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