If you're looking for a nurturing, child-centered pre-school for your child, consider the excellent programs of

The Early Learning Center at



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Currently Accepting Applications for Children Ages 3-5

Instructional Models Offered:

- Child Development
- Modified Montessori
- Diversified Creative Curriculum

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The Early Learning Center is Nationally Accredited by The National Association for the Education of Young Children

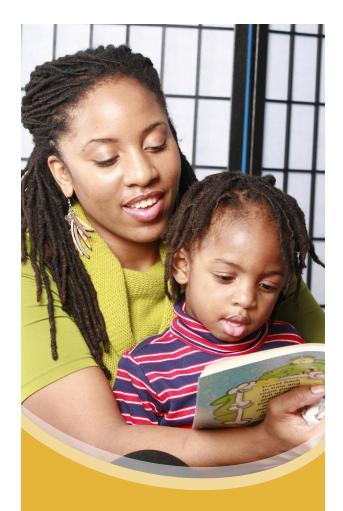


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Services:

Full-day pre-school for children ages 3 - 5

Hours:

7:30 a.m.- 5:30 p.m. Monday-Friday

Meals:

Breakfast, lunch, afternoon snacks

Weekly Fees:

(Children of Community Residents) \$275 full-time

> (Children of students*) \$170

*In order to be eligible for student rates the child's legal guardian must be enrolled at GCC for a minimum of three credits.

New Haven residents may apply for a School Readiness Grant Sliding Fee Scale.

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The Early Learning Center at Gateway Community College is a fully licensed, nationally accredited childcare program which also serves as the laboratory school for Gateway students earning their degrees in Early Childhood Education.

Early Learning Center methods are based on the belief that each child is an individual who should be allowed to develop at his or her own pace.

The curriculum, which is centered around the interests, needs and abilities of the individual child, is concerned with providing hands-on sensory experiences that encourage children to think, analyze problems and arrive at logical conclusions based on their own experiences.

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INSTRUCTIONAL MODELS

Child Development:

This program focuses on the development of the whole child. The classroom environment is planned to allow opportunities for exploration and discovery. Learning through play, central themes, and developmentally appropriate activities are provided in a child-centered classroom.

Modified Montessori

This curriculum model is based on the theory that sensory-cognitive learning influences affective development. This approach is individualized and the child learns about the world around him or her by observing, comparing, classifying, and reasoning through the use of self-correcting, didactic Montessori Materials.

Diversified Creative Curriculum

This curriculum is a comprehensive curriculum that provides the framework for a developmentally appropriate program for preschoolers. This curriculum has ten learning centers in the classroom. These centers are multipurpose and there is an emphasis on early literacy.

