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ECDC is a non-profit, parent corporation providing child care for the National Institutes of Health (NIH) employees. The members of the Board of Directors are composed of community members and parents/guardians of the children enrolled in the child care program. The center has been open and operating since 1976. ECDC is licensed by both the Maryland Office of Child Care and has a Certificate of Approval from the Maryland Department of Education for the Preschool and Kindergarten programs. The center is accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC).

### **Children**

ECDC serves approximately 260 children of diverse economic and ethnic backgrounds ages six weeks through twelve years. School-age children attend Garrett Park, Luxmanor, Wyngate, Ashburton, and Farmland elementary schools. Montgomery County Public Schools provides morning and afternoon busing for school-age children.

### **Staff**

ECDC is known for its highly qualified personnel. Our policy is to employ teachers of mixed ethnic backgrounds, and to provide children with a balance of both male and female teachers. Teachers at ECDC take an active role in their education. With the support of ECDC many of our teachers are furthering their education, attending trainings, seminars and conferences. ECDC believes that well-educated and informed teachers directly correlate to the quality of care.

### **Hours of Operation**

ECDC is open **Monday** through **Friday** from **7:30 AM** to **6:00PM**. ECDC strives to be open when parents need us. We are only closed for Federal Holidays and three professional days, announced annually.

### **Nutrition**

ECDC provides breakfast and afternoon snack that are both kid-friendly and nutritious. Fresh fruit and milk are provided at EVERY meal.

### **Curriculum**

ECDC's Curricular Philosophy:

- Learning is a social endeavor, an exchange of ideas that results in deeper conceptual understanding.
- Foundational skills and achievable challenges create the stepping stones to future learning.
- Learning strategies must be developmentally appropriate,

individualized, and personally meaningful.

- A positive and secure environment opens the door to active exploration which is essential to foundational learning.

ECDC has chosen to utilize eight nationally recognized curricula which present balance, diverse teaching methods and strategies, family involvement, and foundational skills.

- **High Reach**, Carson-Dellosa Publishing
- **Little Treasures**, Macmillan McGraw-Hill
- **Handwriting Without Tears**
- **Zoophonics**
- **Opening the World of Learning**, Pearson Publishing
- **Creative Curriculum**, Teaching Strategies
- **Eureka Math**, Great Minds
- **Connect 4 Learning**, Kaplan

Teachers use components of each of these curricula to provide experiences promoting physical wellbeing and motor development,

social/emotional development, motivation to learn, language acquisition, cognition, and general knowledge. ECDC's curricula and program is designed to prepare your child for future success in school, both academically and socially.

### Extra-Curricular Programs

Parents may enroll their children in numerous extra-curricular programs, available for nominal fees. These programs may include but are not limited to:

- Karate
- Gymnastics/Movement
- Soccer
- Spanish

### Tuition

ECDC is committed to affordable and quality child care for all families. The following chart shows ECDC's biweekly tuition. ECDC accepts most tuition subsidies.

#### Executive Child Development Center's Bi-Weekly Tuition Effective August 26, 2024

Infant/Toddler	\$906.00
Twos	\$719.00
Preschool/Pre-K	\$588.00
ECDC's Private Kindergarten	\$588.00
Before & Aftercare (MCPS)	\$301.00
Aftercare (MCPS)	\$258.00