



According to the National Education Association, 85% of the brain is formed by the age of 5. Play is the way in which children explore, investigate, and build an understanding of how the world works. Play enhances children's physical, social & emotional, cognitive and creative growth.

Schedule

Children are accompanied by parent or caregiver. Classes are limited in size to ensure individual attention.

Jump Starts

Children 18-24 months
Thur 9:15-10:30a
Oct-May

Little Starts

Children 12-17 months
Thur 11:00a-12:15p
Oct-May



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Our classes are more than just a playgroup

Meeting Time

*music
stories
finger plays*

Social & Emotional Development: Build relationships, self-concept and competency

Creativity: Experiment and engage their bodies in new ways

Language Development: Introduction of thoughts, expressions, feelings, new vocabulary and sentence structure

Aesthetic Development: Sing and dance

Manipulatives

*play with blocks and
other manipulatives*

Cognitive growth: Begin to understand cause and effect and take initiative

Curiosity: Explore new objects

Mathematical Discovery: Stack, sort, measure, count, compare, recognize quantity and cardinality

Development of fine motor skills

Flannel Board

listen to interactive stories

Language development through storytelling

Increased social interaction

Language comprehension

Physical Development

*navigate an obstacle
course & other objects*

Gross motor and large muscle development

Mobility and coordination

Awareness of body and space

Sensory development

Dramatic Play

use of props & manipulatives

Logic and reasoning through symbolic play

Executive and self regulation skills

Cognitive development and flexibility:
Use new objects in experiential ways, make choices and complete tasks

Teachers plan intentional learning experiences using Connecticut's Early Learning & Development Standards.

New activities and materials are introduced each week to encourage development and learning.

Each activity is carefully constructed to promote social and emotional skills, cognitive growth, creativity, language development, and physical growth.