FAST FACTS ABOUT OUR EARLY LEARNING CENTERS

- 2 Convenient and Secure Locations
- Infants (6 weeks) through 5 years old
- MAT Certified Teachers
- NYS Licensed Child Care
- Peanut/Nut Controlled and Pork-Free Environment
- Nutritional and Healthy Snacks and Meals
- Professional Teaching Team
- Developmentally Appropriate Curriculum
- DSS Child Care Approved
- Field Trips
- Open Year Round
- Early Head Start Partnership

is dedicated to eliminating racism, empowering women and promoting peace, justice, freedom, and dignity for all.

YWCA of Schenectady dba YWCA NorthEastern NY

Serving our community since 1888.

For more information about all YWCA NorthEastern NY programs, please contact the YWCA.

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Community of Respect Policy

In order to provide a respectful environment where all are welcome, the YWCA NENY does not discriminate or allow discrimination in program(s) or practices on the basis of race, religion, employment/unemployment status, color, genetic information, pregnancy, sex, national origin, age, marital/partnership status, sexual orientation, gender identity, disabilities, stalking victim/survivor status or domestic violence victim/survivor status or veteran status. This policy governs all aspects of YWCA program operation and is in place for staff, volunteers and clients.

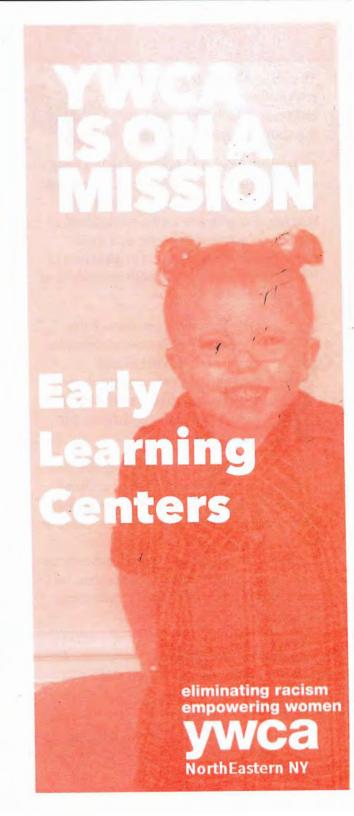
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Our Philosophy

The educational, emotional & physical development of a child are equally important at the Early Learning Centers.



All teachers strive to function as the child's extended family, while recognizing parents as the primary and most important teacher. Parents are a vital component of the Early Learning Centers, and their participation is encouraged in all facets of the child's development, both at home and in their education.



Self-esteem is the core of the YW's early childhood philosophy on discipline. Verbal and non-verbal communication are phrased positively so the child learns positive interactions and social skills.

At the YWCA Early Learning Centers, we provide early childhood education using the highly acclaimed *Creative Curriculum*. This *anti-bias approach* teaches children to understand, accept and celebrate diversity. Children learn in and experience their urban environment through trips to local parks, farmer's markets, museums and more.

Accredited by *The National Association for the Education of Young Children* (NAEYC)

Currently only 260 centers in NY have this distinction. Two of the Schenectady centers are operated by the YWCA NENY.



Early Learning Centers...convenient, secure & 2 locations.

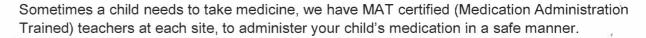
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- · Healthy breakfast, lunch and snacks prepared on site
- Meals & snacks are served family-style
- Peanut/nut controlled and pork-free environment
- Breastfeeding friendly sites!
- Daily large motor activity in a full size gym
- Weather permitting, we explore the outdoors
- Private, fenced-in playground at each site.

We know that who is watching your child is important to you. We have nurturing and friendly CPR/First Aid certified teachers in every room.



All YWCA teachers have degrees or are currently pursuing degrees. All staff are required to complete 30 hours of training every two years.

The YWCA's mission, dedicated to eliminating racism and empowering women, is upheld at each of the YWCA's Early Learning Centers.

Infant care

- 6 weeks—18 months
- Milestones completed on a regular basis
- Literacy-based environment
- Assessments & conferences twice a year

Toddler Care

- 18 months—3 years of age
- Literacy-based environment
- Assessments & conferences twice a year

Preschool/Pre-K Care

- 3 years—5 years of age
- Creative Curriculum
- Literacy-based environment
- Assessments & conferences twice a year
- Computer with educational games

Early Head Start

Available for children age6 weeks to 36 months if qualified

