

PHILOSOPHY FOR EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION

My philosophy for early care and education is to provide a warm, fun and safe environment with age appropriate learning activities and equipment available. I will provide information and support the mental, social, and physical growth of staff, children, and families. I believe it is important to support families in finding balance with the daily challenges of family and work. I will provide information for families to maintain their child's good health. I will seek help and information regarding physical and mental needs of children such as equipment, screenings, and special care services and make families aware of community resources that are within their reach. We will be aware of and celebrate differences in all aspects of family life. I believe it is important to keep an open mind to the beliefs of individuals, families, and personnel, ensuring acceptance. I will uphold and follow a Code of Ethics for the center, personnel, children, and families to maintain an environment of respect. I will keep the learning process for children, personnel, and families always flowing with fresh, exciting ideas. I will keep the lines of communication open between parents and personnel, providing updated ideas, information, and learning tools. I will provide a support system to both families and personnel and maintain high standards for being positive role models, high motivation, unity, morale, dignity, and worth of each individual among co-workers and the center. I will encourage self-worth, choice making, exploration, imagination, emotional, and cognitive development in each child. At the very least I will provide a center that meets and maintains Department of Human Services (DHS) and Stars regulations--a center parents, families, personnel, and the community will call their own.