

East End Kids Academy
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Pre-School Program - 4 Years Old Fall 2024-2025

East End Kids Academy offers a learning experience that will engage and nurture the whole child; to inspire a balanced growth of heart, mind, body, and spirit. The children learn through structured – directed lessons as well as exploratory and hands-on activities.

Program Requirement: *Date of Birth December 2019 thru November 2020

*Eligible to attend Kindergarten September 2025

Program Hours: 9:15am. - 2:15pm.

The following is a brief description of the different activities the children would be involved in during the program. Each activity listed below is a half hour session each.

Learning Circle

(In Their Classroom with Their Main Teacher)

During learning circle your child will learn the days of the week, the months of the year, and will learn to read a calendar. The children will also learn about the weather and seasons. Songs and chants will be introduced to teach about holidays, seasons, and celebrations. During learning circle, the children will also learn to identify letters and know the sound of the letter. We spend one/two weeks on each letter, which includes identifying the capital and lower case as well as the sound of the letter. Shapes and colors will also be a part of learning circle.

Arts & Crafts

(In the Art Room with the Art Teacher)

Arts and crafts is a listening and following directions activity. The children will listen and follow the art teacher's step-by-step procedure to complete a craft that the children will take home. The children will use a variety of craft supplies, glue, paints, crayons, markers, and much more.

Theme Activity

(In Their Classroom with Their Main Teacher)

During the theme activity time, your child will engage in various activities to learn about the scheduled monthly theme.

For example: The theme for December is "Our Community." The teacher may set their classroom each day as a different place in our community and then do activities that pertain to that place. If a bakery is selected the activity may be making a special treat.

Gross Motor Skills Activity (Gym)

(In the Gym with Their Teacher)

The children will start with music to "warm up" and may use scarves, ribbons, hoops, or balls to move with. They will then play a game that revolves around the letter of the week, the number, the color and/or the shape of the month. Gym games may also involve the season or holiday. The activities may include jumping, hopping, skipping, or running – all important to enhance their gross motor skills.

Fine Motor Skills Activity

(In Their Classroom with Their Main Teacher)

The children will do activities that will enhance their fine motor skills. The activities will include cutting, drawing, tracing, lacing, beading, and writing. Also, the activities will focus on the letter of the week, the season, the holiday, and /or the theme of the month.

Science, Technology, Engineering, Math "STEM" Activity

(In Their Classroom with Their Main Teacher)

During this classroom time the children will learn to integrate all four subjects together with hands-on projects and challenges. The lessons will involve children working together as a team to solve relevant problems. *Science will introduce the study and understanding of the natural world. *Technology will introduce the tools and simple machines that make work easier. *Engineering will teach the children to use tools to plan and organize a solution to a problem. *Math will introduce the understanding of shapes, numbers, and patterns.

Outside Play

(Outside Playground with Their Main Teacher)

The children will go outside to play every day that weather permits. We ask that you send your child to school in the appropriate attire. We will not go outside if it is raining, snowing, ice on the ground, and if it is too cold or hot.

Snack / Bathroom / Story

(In Their Classroom with Their Main Teacher)

During this time, your child's teacher will read a story to the class. After the story, the children will take turns going to the bathroom and washing their hands. After their hands are washed, they will then eat **snacks which is provided from home**. We encourage healthy snacks and teach the children the importance of eating healthy to grow strong. The children learn to open their snack, clean up after themselves and put their lunch boxes away when they are finished eating. They are also learning to use their table manners when eating with their friends.

Lunch

(In Their Classroom with Their Main Teacher)

Lunch is provided from home. The teacher will make sure that the main part of lunch is eaten before the children move on to any snacks that you may have sent for them. The teacher will also make sure that their hands are washed before they sit to eat. When the children are finished with their lunch they will be taught to ask to be excused and then they will clean up after themselves which includes packing up and putting their lunchboxes away.