

## Their Future Begins With Us

The Center provides quality care in a rich learning environment for 70 Newark children. Located on the first floor of Harmony House, the Early Learning Center is a state-of-the-art early childhood education and childcare facility.

Fifteen of the youngsters at the early learning center are 3 and 4-year-olds (mixed-age) that qualify for free care and schooling under the New Jersey Supreme Court ruling in the Abbott v. Burke school finance litigation. These rulings mandate free pre-school programs for 3 and 4-year-olds in inner-city communities such as Newark. Another 32 of the children are infants and toddlers between the ages of 3 months to 36 months are Early Head Start.

Harmony House Early Learning Center provides full-time, year-round services. The primary program, providing nurturing care and quality educational experiences is supplemented by nutrition, health, and family support services.

The program's philosophy for adult-child interactions is based upon models that include the cognitive development theories of Jean Piaget and the social and emotional development philosophy of Eric Erikson.

Children at Harmony House Early Learning Center are encouraged to investigate, be inquisitive and seek their own solutions. Curriculum is flexible and geared toward children's interests. Each classroom is equipped with a complete array of educational toys, games, and other learning tools.

The Early Learning Center is also involved in several partnerships that strengthen its mission. Its Foster Grandparents Program places volunteer grandmothers in the classrooms to provide special assistance and loving care.



## Tuition Fees

### Infants & Younger Toddlers

\$202.00 Weekly w/o PFP

With PFP Co-pay fluctuates

### Older Toddlers

\$192.00 Weekly w/o PFP

With PFP Co-pay fluctuates

Application Fee: \$50.00 (Money Order)

\*If the contracted PFP co-pay amount is higher, then the higher rate will be charged

### Infant/Toddler Hours:

6:30 a.m.—5:30 p.m.

### Abbott Program Hours:

8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. without Wraparound

6:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m. with Wraparound

### Abbott Program:

3 and 4 Years Old

(Newark Residents Only)

### Infant/Toddler Program

Ages 3 months to 36 months

## Registration Starts Every April

**Documents to Bring:** Physical, Immunization, Birth Certificate, 3 Proofs of Residency (Cable, PSEG, Cell Phone Bills, etc.)

### Field Trips:

- Essex County Environmental Center, Roseland, NJ
- Newark Museum, Newark, NJ
- Liberty Science Center, Jersey City, NJ
- NJPAC, Newark, NJ
- Turtle Back Zoo, West Orange
- Newark Public Library, Newark, NJ
- Pumpkin Farm, New Jersey

### **We accept:**

- Program for Parents (PFP)
- Community Coordinated Child Care (CCCC) or
- Other subsidy programs upon approval



**Our Abbott Program Offers:**

- 1 Classroom
- 15 three and four-year old children (mixed age group)
- 2 Teachers
- Computers
- Smart Board
- CACFP Sponsorship for Breakfast, Lunch, & Snack Program

**Infant/Toddler Early Head Start**

**Program Offers:**

- Starts at 3 months to 36 months
- Early Developmental Screening
- CACFP Sponsorship for Breakfast, Lunch, & Snack Program
- Potty Training

**School Curriculum:**

Creative Curriculum aligned with New Jersey State Standards

**Summer Enrichment Program:**

In collaboration with the NJ State Department of Education and Newark Public Schools (NPS) Office of Early Childhood.

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Early Learning Center**  
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**Mission Statement:**

New Community Corporation's Early Learning Centers are committed to providing high quality early childhood educational programs that allow children to reach their fullest potential within a rich multicultural setting, focusing on the collaboration between parents, school, and the local community.



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