#### PHILOSOPHY & MISSION STATEMENT

At Holy Spirit Early Childhood Learning Center, we treat each child as a unique work of art. We strive daily to make all our center resources available to each and every child. We care deeply for each student, with confidence that all students can achieve their very best.

The goal of Holy Spirit Early Childhood Learning Center is to provide a Christian environment for the healthy social and academic development of each of our students. In all areas, we pledge to guide each child in recognizing alternatives, making appropriate choices, and finding satisfaction in his or her decisions.

Through a wide variety of academic skill building and developmentally appropriate activities, we encourage our students to reach their goals, and help them to celebrate each achievement with an awareness of what they have accomplished.

"Holy Spirit Learning Center admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, athletic or other school administered programs."



# Holy Spirit Early Childhood Learning Center is a Program of Holy Spirit Lutheran Church. We are in a standalone building located at the far end of the Church's parking lot.

2205 Old Liberty Road Eldersburg, MD 21784 Church office – 410-795-6333

# HOLY SPIRIT EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING CENTER

2024-2025





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PRESCHOOL/ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

410-795-2287

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#### **STAFF**

Whether teacher or aide, each of our energetic and enthusiastic staff members maintains compliance with the Maryland State Department of Education Early Childhood Division requirements. All center employees are CPR and First Aid trained and certified every two years.

#### **CURRICULUM STATEMENT**

Holy Spirit Early Childhood Learning Center facilitates a playful-learning approach to a curriculum rich in discovery and exploration.

Following the guidelines of the National Association of the Education of Young Children, we understand that in early childhood, learning takes place primarily through child-initiated free-choice activities known as "experimental learning." While each of our programs maintains a relaxed and flexible atmosphere, both curriculum and environment are the result of careful weekly planning by the center staff.

In all our classrooms, children learn both horizontally, through interest-based activities, and vertically, through skill focused learning directed by their teacher(s). These integrated curricula are specifically designed to help each child develop:

**Socially**, through experience in which each child learns to care and show respect for others.

**Emotionally**, helping each child to recognize and express their feelings in acceptable ways.

**Physically**, encouraging gross and fine motor development and coordination through small and large muscle group activities.

**Intellectually**, through creative learning opportunities to develop academic skills.

At every level, our programs incorporate:

- Beginning language concepts and skills
- Foundation for numbers and math concepts
- Hands-on learning opportunities

- Science/Steam activities
- Music and Art
- Sensory Exploration
- Children's literature, including monthly visits from the library
- Gross and fine motor development
- Daily free play, including dramatic/creative play, blocks, and manipulative toys
- Practice of Christian principles of caring, sharing and blessing
- Monthly Children's Chapel

#### **PROGRAM SCHEDULES**

### 2-Year-Old Class:

Monday & Wednesday - 9:00 – 11:30 Tuesday & Thursday - 9:00 – 11:30

# 3-Year-Old Class:

Monday, Wednesday & Friday - 9:00 – 11:30 Tuesday & Thursday - 9:00 – 11:30

# Pre-K Classes for 4- and 5-year-olds: 2-day Pre-K

Tuesday & Thursday - 9:00 – 12:30 (includes lunch)

# 3-day Pre-K

Monday, Wednesday & Friday - 9:00 – 11:30 5-day Pre-K

Monday - Friday - 9:00 - 11:30

## **Afternoon STEAM Enrichment Class:**

Monday – Friday - 12:30 – 3:00

#### **PROGRAM COSTS**

# Non-refundable registration fee:

\$100 for 1<sup>st</sup> child/\$85 for each additional child. HSLC members \$65 per child

**Two-Year-Old Class** (must be 2 by Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>) 2 Days a week - \$2,475 a year or \$275 a month

#### Three-Year-Old Class

3 Days a week - \$2,925 a year or \$325 a month 2 Days a week - \$2,475 a year or \$275 a month

# Four-Year-Old Class (2- or 3-Day Pre-K)

3 Days a week - \$2,925 a year or \$325 a month 2 Days a week - \$2,700 a year or \$300 a month

# Five-Year-Old Class (5 Day Pre-K)

5 Days a week - \$3,825 a year or \$425 a month

# STEAM Enrichment Class (1 – 5-day options)

1 Day a week - \$1,800 a year or \$200 a month 2 Days a week - \$2,385 a year or \$265 a month 3 Days a week - \$2,880 a year or \$320 a month 4 Days a week - \$3,285 a year or \$365 a month 5 Days a week - \$3,600 a year or \$400 a month

Materials/Activity Fee: \$125 This is an annual fee that covers the cost of the student's field trips, a school T-shirt, weekly readers, and other special activities.

Tuition may be paid all at once or in 9 monthly installments. Your 1<sup>st</sup> installment and the materials/activity fee are due August 1<sup>st</sup>. Your last installment will be due April 1<sup>st</sup>