



2021-2022 Preschool / Daycare Options

The Early Childhood Center (ECC) staff members are extremely proud to be leaders in early childhood education. We are privileged to offer excellence in early childhood programming focusing on safety, care, development and kindergarten readiness. The ECC houses several programs including Community Education Preschool, Great Start Readiness Preschool, and a Daycare and Learning Center (including before- and after-school childcare). Over 200 two- to five-year-old children participate in these programs. A overview of each program follows, and additional information is located on our website at <https://www.khps.org/early-childhood-center>. We look forward to welcoming you to the ECC family!

Community Education Preschool offers 3- and 4-year-old children the opportunity to explore, create and interact with children their own age while learning to feel comfortable at school. This tuition-based program offers curriculum designed to prepare students for kindergarten and is not limited to district residents. Spaces are limited in the Community Education Preschool and slots are filled on a first register, first enrolled basis. If you have questions or are interested in visiting, please call Luke Scholten at 616-647-0910.

Day Care and Learning Center provides both a before- and after-school daycare program for children from kindergarten to fifth grade, as well as all-day childcare with educational enrichment for children ages 18 months to 5 years old. Hours of operation are 6:30 AM to 6:00 PM year-round, offering care throughout school breaks, snow days and vacations. Enrollment is not limited to residents of Kenowa Hills. Open enrollment is for any parent in need of childcare. For additional information, call 262-6724 and ask for Cali Lipscomb. Mrs. Lipscomb can answer any questions regarding the fees associated with the Daycare/Learning Center.

Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP) is a state-funded preschool program. Those who qualify* are offered a full-day program four days per week, Monday through Thursday. The GSRP Program also includes two home visits, two parent-teacher conferences, parent in-services and workshops. Please call the Kent Intermediate School District at 447-2409 for more details.

*To be eligible, children must:

- Be 4 years old by **September 1, 2021**
- Reside in the KHPS District
- Meet income guidelines
- Meet required number of qualifying factors such as parental loss, sibling issues, teen parent, homeless, certain health conditions and more