

Full-Day Pre-K

Our pre-k programs are all based on developmentally appropriate practice which considers the individual skill level of each child.

Children encounter a variety of experiences through exploration and discovery. Teachers design lesson plans using the PA Early Learning Standards and based on the interests of the children. Each day includes development in all learning areas: cognitive, fine and gross motor, social-emotional and communication.

Free Play - social development

Circle Time - learning songs and finger plays, listening to stories, and discussing themes and units.

Movement - coordination and listening activities

Centers - discovery and peer interaction

Creative expression/art - development of fine motor skills and encouragement of individual expression

Whole group activities - social development and group interaction

Snack - nutrition emphasized

Sharing - spotlight on the individual

**Weekly Spanish, Music,
and Bible classes**

Mission Statement

DSECC's ministry is to provide nurturing, safe, educational child care that emphasizes the worth and uniqueness of each child in a Christian environment consistent with the Anabaptist mission of Akron Mennonite Church.



- ◆ DPW licensed Center
- ◆ Keystone Star 4
- ◆ Program modeled after PA Pre-K Counts program
- ◆ Sponsored by Penn Embryo, Inc.

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**2012-2013
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Instruction and Schedule

- ◆ Class size is limited for maximum student teacher interaction
- ◆ Class taught by a certified teacher with experience in early childhood education
- ◆ School year follows the Ephrata Area School District schedule
- ◆ Monday-Friday, 8:30 am to 2:30 pm
- ◆ Includes nutritious lunch and snack
- ◆ Weekly specials include Music, Spanish, and Bible



Education in a nurturing and peaceful environment inspires a love of learning

Eligibility Criteria

- Child must be four years of age by September 1, 2012
- Family must meet income eligibility guidelines (earn less than \$60,000, but add \$10,000 for each additional dependent)
- Students in EASD will have priority
- **Parental Involvement Required:**
 - ⇒ Parent's must commit to a scheduled monthly meeting.
 - ⇒ Parents need to give permission for DSECC to follow their child's school progress Kindergarten through 3rd grade.

Children with special needs and who are English language learners are welcome to apply. DSECC will review all applications and notify parents in early April.

Registration

To ensure your child's place in the fall 2012 program, return this form along with a scholarship application and your 2011 tax return to:

DSECC, 1311 Diamond Street, Suite A
Akron, PA 17501

Child's Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Parent's Names: _____

Day Phone: _____

Address: _____

_____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Elementary School: _____

Parent Signatures:

I agree to attend a scheduled monthly parent meeting.

I will provide DSECC with my child's school progress reports from Kindergarten through Grade 3.