

# DSECC Monthly Newsletter



## December Dates:

Dec 8-12- Toy Exchange

Dec 11- Christmas Caroling

Dec 24- Jan 1st- Center Closed



Classroom Spotlight: Warblers



## Get to know the Warblers

The Warblers classroom cares for our youngest students from 6 weeks until 10 months of age. Ms. Emily leads the classroom in the care of up to 6 infants daily. It's a big job to care for such little people, but they are up for the task!

Emily holds an associate degree in Early Childhood and has worked professionally with young children for over 10 years while also raising her own 4 children. Emily loves creating a fun, calming environment with lots of interesting things to look at and explore within her classroom. She loves taking the kids on walks to explore outside (or the building if the weather isn't cooperating). Emily says that the snuggles and smiles keep her coming back even after a hard day and that she's excited to get to know all the new babies scheduled to join the Warblers room in the next few months.



We are currently looking for a co-teacher to join the Warblers classroom and care for the babies alongside Ms. Emily. If you or someone you know is interested in taking on the challenges and joys of meeting our baby's needs and enjoying their snuggles, please check out our job posting on Indeed or our website. You can also call the center directly.

[Indeed Posting](#)

[DSECC Careers](#)



# A message from the Executive Director

## You made a difference!!

This year has been extra challenging due to the budget impasses at both the state and federal level, but you made a difference and with the passing of both budgets in November, we now have effective funding in place. Thanks in part to the work of the Diamond Street community along with other childcare centers, the PA state budget passed with funding increases for Pre-K Counts and a new budget line item to help stabilize the childcare industry.

We all know that properly compensating high quality early childhood staff is essential if we are going to ensure the future success of our students and that the vast majority of families with children in early childhood programs cannot cover the cost of high quality care. A solution outside of the childcare market is necessary to provide this stability and thanks to your advocacy and support the children at Diamond Street will continue to receive the very best care and education.

I have also been watching your financial support come in over the past week few weeks, first through the Extraordinary Give and continuing now in personal donations. These gifts will go to support the continued gap in funding for families who are beyond the financial cutoff for assistance, but do not bring in enough income to truly afford the early care and education their children need.

I am so happy to have you as part of our Diamond Street community. It is much easier to do amazing things when we can count on your support. At Diamond Street Early Childhood Center, we are amazing because of you.

**Thank you!**

Merry Christmas,  
Bethany Crane Jacke, Executive Director

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Diamond Street Photo Gallery.









## December Birthdays:

Evelynn 12/2

AJ 12/5

Merrick 12/5

Gwen 12/11

Andrew 12/13

Kinsley E. 12/14

Aurora 12/17

Hallie 12/24

Ms. Andrea 12/18

Ms. Angie 12/24



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