



JRC Early Childhood Program 2020-2021

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3- Day Preschool (3-5 year-olds): Monday/Wednesday/Friday 9:15-12:00

5- Day Preschool (3-5 year-olds): Monday-Friday 9:15-12:00

Three and four-year-olds learn through play and exploration, and build positive self-esteem, successful patterns of learning and problem-solving, and empathy and appreciation for others. Teachers create a play based, developmental, emergent curriculum in partnership with the children's interests and learning styles, and integrate literacy, math, science, art, music and movement into daily activities and projects. Children experience Jewish holidays and explore Judaic values throughout the year, and joyfully celebrate Shabbat each week.

Tuition: 3-day (1/11/21-6/2/21) - \$2430/yr

5-day (1/11/21-6/2-21) - \$3350/yr

Preschool for Twos (2 years old by September) 3 day: Monday/Tuesday/Thursday 9:15-11:45*

** Due to current recommendations on health precautions and size of gatherings, enrollment for 2-year-olds will be postponed until later in the school year. For more information, please contact Shelli Patt, Early Childhood Director at spatt@jrc-evanston.org.*

Two year-olds' separation process is individualized to support the transition to preschool and the development of relationships with teachers and peers. Parent/caregiver and child attend together at the beginning of the year until children feel secure and comfortable in the classroom and with their teachers. We then begin a gradual and respectful separation process. Through play, stories, and songs children explore Judaic themes and holidays, celebrate Shabbat each week, and participate in activities that support social, emotional, cognitive, and physical development.

Early Bird Drop-Off (8:00-9:15) **Lunch Extended Day** (12:00-1:30)*

** Due to current DCFS requirements for grouping and staffing, Early Bird and Lunch Extended Day will not be offered at the beginning of this school year. Enrollment for these programs will be made available when conditions allow.*

Parents can extend their child's school day by registering for Early Bird Drop-Off and/or Lunch Extended Day. These programs provide children with the opportunity for additional play time and participation in extended projects and rotating activities focused on science, art, music, and movement.

JRC Early Childhood Center is a participant in JUF Right Start. JUF Right Start encourages Jewish early childhood education and strengthen a family's bond to the Jewish community, JUF Right Start provides Gift Vouchers towards the cost of a Jewish early childhood education. Gift Vouchers from \$500 to \$2,000 are provided to families sending their children to a Jewish early childhood program for the first time. This program is funded and administered by the Jewish United Fund.

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