

1st Step

During your baby's 1st years he/she will be busy discovering his/her new world. They will have opportunities to grow and explore different sights, sounds, textures, and sensations. Infants develop their own patterns and we will use these patterns to guide each infant's daily activities. These experiences will help support healthy brain development, which is critical during this stage.

In a 1st Step classroom, you will find:

- children discovering the world through play-based activities and age-appropriate materials and toys.
- teachers who provide a nurturing environment which will develop a sense of security and trust.
- daily written communication between parents and teachers.
- teachers reading, singing, and speaking to children.
- support for parents from "baby" experts.
- select infant formula and baby food provided at no additional cost.

Start 2 Discover

During the toddler years, your child will engage in lots of active play and will begin to figure out that he/she is an individual. Toddlers take great pride in their accomplishments and will be interested in counting and matching objects, listening to stories with repetition, exploring with various art media, and begin to play interactively with peers.

In a Start 2 Discover classroom, you will find:

- well-designed classroom space offering choices to encourage independence.
- teachers who encourage make believe and support creative play.
- curriculum that promotes the development of social skills to help build friendships.
- activities that promote healthy brain development by having experiences with objects, language, and through social interaction.
- literacy-rich curriculum which encourages early reading and writing skills.
- encouragement of self-help skills such as feeding, dressing, toileting, and cleaning up after play.

3School

During the preschool years, much time will be spent exploring and learning about the environment. Preschoolers will take part in more complex dramatic play, be more involved in math activities such as measuring, counting, and sorting. Letter and number recognition will emerge. Scribble will turn to designs, vocabulary will increase, and engaging dialogues with friends will develop.

In a 3School classroom, you will find:

- environments and activities designed to promote all areas of learning: math, science, literacy, art, small and gross motor development.
- teachers who promote a love of reading and writing by providing literacy activities that develop reading and writing skills.
- activities that are exciting, fun, and that promote healthy development of social and emotional skills.
- process vs. product art to encourage creativity.
- curriculum that develops four-year-old kindergarten readiness skills.
- field trips designed to promote learning.

4K for Kids

During the pre-kindergarten year, much time will be spent in exploring and learning about printing, listening and speaking, reading, science, math, fine and large motor skills. 4K is designed to help children learn at their own levels and become prepared for kindergarten in a fun, hands-on approach to learning. The 4K program at Encompass will provide growth, development, and reinforcement of these behaviors.

In a 4K classroom, you will find:

- 4-K DPI licensed teachers.
- kindergarten readiness curriculum that aligns with the Wisconsin Model Early Learning Standards.
- environments filled with activities designed to promote all areas of learning: math, science, literacy, art, small and gross motor development.
- activities that develop each child's ability to make choices and encourage decision-making skills.
- programming that promotes development of social skills, including opportunities to interact with peers.
- curriculum that enables children to pursue their own interests and to work at their own pace and ability.

At Encompass, for every stage of development you will find:

Involvement of parents as partners

Play-based learning which includes child-initiated play

Well-equipped classrooms where materials are varied and plentiful

Programs that follow the highest quality NAEYC Accreditation Standards

Outdoor play spaces designed to encourage all aspects of physical development

Nutritious, child-pleasing meals prepared by trained Dietary Director

Ongoing in-service training and support for staff

Daily communication opportunities with teaching and administrative staff

Foster Grandparent Program

Positive guidance disciplinary approach

Semi-Annual Parent Teacher Conferences

Staff specifically trained in early childhood development



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