

The Edison Early Learning Center Kindergarten Program 2020-2021 School Year

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Owner/Director

Our Story

The Edison Early Learning Center opened its doors on September 4, 2007. I opened Edison after having my second child. As a high school science teacher, I wanted to bring an academic early learning center to the area. My vision was to create a little school where early childhood professionals created a place parents truly wanted to leave their child each and every day.

Our first center was located on Brooklyn Street. My husband and I purchased and remodeled our current building on Pike Street in 2012. The Edison Early Learning Center began our Kindergarten Program in 2015 after gaining our PA Department of Education Private School Certificate.

Our Philosophy

Here at Edison, we believe the early years are the most important developmental years of a child's life. We see every day as an opportunity to teach your child valuable skills she needs to become a lifelong learner. Our academic programs are formulated to progress your child from one developmental stage to another. This philosophy allows children to become confident and enjoy success in a warm and nurturing environment. We also recognize the important role parents play in the success of their child; therefore we encourage parental involvement within our center.

Our Mission

Our mission is to create a challenging learning environment that creates goals which align with each child's individual learning style. We strive to create a caring and creative environment which fosters positive relationships with students, parents, and staff. We strive to have our parents, teachers, and community members actively involved in our student's learning.

Kindergarten Daily Schedule

8:00-8:20 am	Arrival	12:15 pm	Lunch
8:30 am	Morning Work	12:45 pm	Recess
9:00 am	Circle Time	1:25 pm	Math
9:30 am	Reading Readiness	2:00 pm	Daily Review
10:00 am	AM Snack	2:15 pm	Prepare to Depart
10:15 am	Specials	2:30 pm	Dismissal/ car line
11:00 am	Penmanship	2:30-5:30 pm	After-Care Option
11:30 am	Daily 5 Centers		

Scott Foresman Reading Street Curriculum

Weekly thematic books will be used to master the following literacy skills:

- Vocabulary Words
- Ready Comprehension
- Shared Reading
- Read Aloud
- Guided & Independent Reading
- Modeled Writing
- Phonemic Awareness
- Sight Words



Specials



Day 1: Sonrisas Spanish

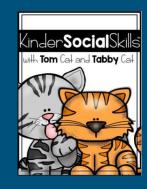
Day 2: S.T.E.A.M. Science

Day 3: Health/Kinder Social Skills

Day 4: Art/Music

Day 5: Yoga

*teachers will rotate into classroom each day





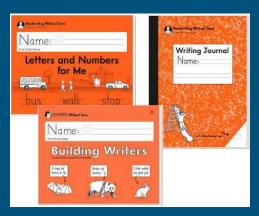


Handwriting Without Tears Curriculum

- Curriculum continues from our Pre-Kindergarten & Junior Kindergarten classroom
- Developed by an Occupational Therapist
- Developmentally Appropriate
- Multisensory Approach to Early Writing
- Uses workbooks, dry erase boards, chalk boards, wooden shapes, small pencils, & chalk
- Lefty Writers Accounted For
- Teacher Assessments Used to Track Students Progress & Support Further Instruction











Daily 5 Literacy Centers



Listening Center

Book Recording

Book Report

Predictions

Draw Favorite Part

Opinion on Book

Self or Partner Reading

Leveled Books

Read to Self or Partner

Work at own pace

Work at own level

Word Work

Word Tiles

Bingo Dot Sight Word Games

Playdoh Letters/Words

Rhyming Words Picture Cards

Meet With Teacher

One on One Lessons

Meet Individual Needs Of Students

Sight Words/Mini Phonics Lesson

Writing

Kid Writing

Journals

*next slide more info.

Kid Writing

- Used phonetic skills to spell words
- Daily Writing prompts
- Answer with words and illustrations
- Eventually build sentences
- Entries create student individual journal
- Shared at parent/teacher conferences
- Taken home at conclusion of school year





McGraw Hill Everyday Math Common Core Curriculum

- Draws connections between everyday experiences to Math concepts
- Uses math manipulatives: unifix cubes, pattern blocks, tangrams, geometric shapes, fraction circles, dice, and number tiles
- Number recognition
- Counting
- Skip Counting (5, 10, 20)
- 2D & 3D Shapes
- Subtraction
- Addition
- Measurement
- Money
- Time
- Fractions



Student Assessment

- Performance Based Report Card
- Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills (DIBELS)

Home-School Connection



Mother's Day Tea



Community Helpers



Career Exploration

Home-School Connection









Early Literacy Is Important at Edison!



Read Across America Week!



Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss



Guest Readers Welcomed

Memorable Field Trips





Building Friendships



Roba's Family Farm

Memorable Field Trips









Community Outreach Projects



St. Joseph's Center Bike-A-Thon

MDA Hop-A-Thon



Pajama Drive



Feed A Friend

Assistant Director



Director



Assistant Director



Melissa Zembrzycki

B.A. Early Childhood Education Keystone College

PA Teaching Certificate Birth-3

Keystone STARS Director Credential Edison Staff Since 2014

Dawn Toolan

B.A. EducationCentral Connecticut State University

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Keystone STARS Directors Credential

Jeanette Heim

B.A. Education

Marywood University

Keystone STARS Director Credential

Edison Staff Since 2007

Meet Our Educators









Alyssa Salva

B.A. Early Childhood Education

Keystone College

PA Teaching Certificate PK-4

Katie Romanowski

B.A. Early Childhood & Elementary Education

Bloomsburg University

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Dana Whitman

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Marywood University

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Melissa Sylvester

A.S. Early Childhood Education

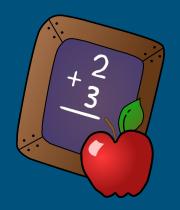
McCann School of Business

East Stroudsburg University

What do I bring for my child each day?

- Breakfast, Lunch, 2 Snacks
- Milk & Water Provided
- Extra Clothes
- Inside Shoes
- Outdoor Clothing
- Label all items
- Fabric Bags Please

Edison School Year



- Program Hours 8:30 am 2:30 pm (drop off 8:00 am-8:20 am)
- School Year 188 Days or 40 weeks
- August 31, 2020 to June 3, 2021
- Graduation Friday, June 4, 2020 (tentative date)
- School Closures Follow Edison's Normal Schedule (see Parent Handbook)
- Weather Delays/Closures via Remind
- Option Summer STEAM Camp- week off between sessions

Tuition Payment Options & Fees

- Annual Tuition Payment = \$6,400
- Monthly Tuition Payment = \$640
- Weekly Tuition Payment = \$160
- Before & After Care (7:00 am to 5:00 pm) = \$5/day extra
- \$50 Non-Refundable Registration Fee due June 1, 2020
- Student Supply List----July
- Annual payment expected regardless of attendance



How do I enroll my child?

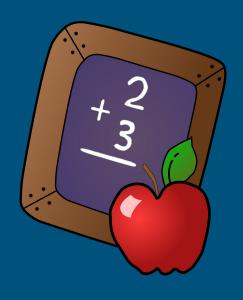
- Complete Enrollment Packet*
- Return Registration Fee By June 1, 2020
- Register For Kindergarten Assessment
- Health Assessment Due by Start Date*

Important Dates:

August 27 Back To School Night

• August 31 First Day of School Year

*New Students Only



Why Choose Edison Kindergarten?



Small Class Size = Big Accomplishments

- Each Student Gets Noticed
- Better Results
- Learning is Enhanced
- Teacher Can Teach
- Classes Become a Community
- Opportunities to Participate
- Focus On Learning
- More Feedback
- Students & Teacher Can Work
 One-on-One
- Ideas Are Shared

*work cited ef Academy blog

Pennsylvania Department of Education Private School Certified



*State Certified Teachers

*Academic Curriculum Approved by the PA Dept. Of Education

*Students Enter Grade 1 the Follow School Year

*We will run program regardless of state wide school closures under DHS Cert.