

ECDC Preschool Enrollment



Requirements for a Child to Attend:

- at least 3 and not yet 5 years old by August 31st of the school year
- a resident of Franklin

Current School Year

If there are open slots during the school year, they are filled through rolling admission; please contact ECDC for program availability.

2022-23 School Year Lottery

A lottery will be held in February and applications will be selected randomly based on parent selection and availability.

	2022-2023	PROGRAM	OPTIONS
	Days	Times	Cost per Year
A	3 day AM (MWF)	9:15-11:45	\$2,255
B	3 day PM (MWF)	12:45-3:15	\$2,255
C	2 day (TTH)	9:15-1:15	\$2,640
D	4 day (MTTHF)	9:15-1:15	\$5,016
E	5 day (M-F)	9:15-1:15	\$6,270

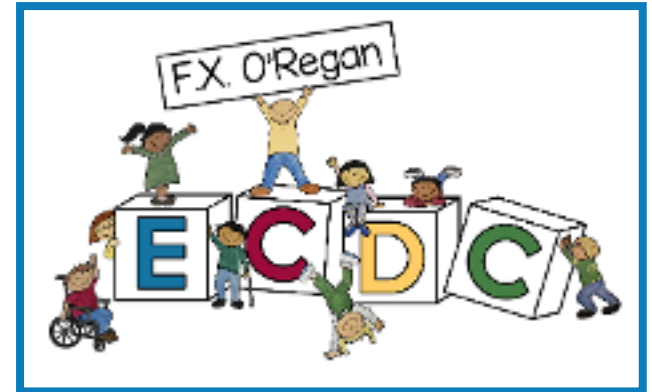
All applications **must include** a \$40 non-refundable application fee payable to the TOWN OF FRANKLIN.

Tuition Assistance is available for qualifying families. Please contact the ECDC office for more information.



Are you concerned about your preschool child?

The Franklin Public Schools offers developmental screenings at no charge to families. These screenings are designed to identify children who may qualify for special education services. Call ECDC at 508 541-8166 to schedule an appointment!



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About ECDC

The Franklin Public Schools is proud to offer the young children of Franklin an opportunity for high quality, developmentally appropriate learning in a preschool environment that encourages diversity, cooperation and kindergarten readiness.

Most children participate in our inclusive, or "integrated" preschool model. In these language based classrooms, children of all ability levels, with and without identified special needs, are taught together in an environment that nurtures peers as partners in learning. Research has proven that linking children of varying ability levels actually enhances the growth and development of all the children. Each of our classrooms maintains a low class size, maxing out at 15, with a Massachusetts certified teacher and at least one qualified educational support professional.

In addition, we also have a classroom for children who require an intensive trans-disciplinary, multi-sensory, and total language based approach. Children who qualify for this intense setting are infused with supportive services and therapies that help stimulate growth and development. It is our goal to include all children in all aspects of our program to the greatest extent possible, creating opportunities for social connections and cooperative learning.

Curriculum

Here at ECDC we are committed to developing each child as a unique individual, approaching learning comprehensively across seven developmental domains that make up the "whole child": Cognitive, Fine Motor, Gross Motor, Prewriting, Self-help, Speech and Language and Social Emotional.

With this focus, our teaching team has selected **Big Day for PreK** as our school's new curriculum! This comprehensive, research-based curriculum honors the developmental level of each of our students as it fosters skill development toward mastery by the time students enter kindergarten.



"Big Day for PreK" provides intentional instruction in all learning domains:

- Social-Emotional Development
- Oral Language and Vocabulary
- Emergent Reading
- Emergent Writing
- Mathematics
- Science
- Social Studies
- Fine Arts
- Physical Development
- Technology "



Staff

ECDC teachers and specialists are mandated to meet the same high licensing and educational requirements set by the Franklin Public Schools. All of our teachers and specialists (OT,PT,SLP, BCBA) are experienced early childhood professionals, licensed to teach children with and without special needs.

In addition, we have several experienced and well trained educational support professionals (ESPs) in every classroom. Our ESPs work with our classroom teachers and specialists to ensure low student teacher ratios. We believe all students can learn, and we work together with families to ensure student success.

Related Services

Here at ECDC we have several specialists on staff who provide direct service to qualifying children and/or consultation to classroom teachers in the areas of fine and sensory motor, gross motor, as well as speech and language development. In addition, as part of the Franklin Public schools, we also have access to the district behaviorists and school psychologists to help support teachers in the areas of behavioral and/or social-emotional skill development.

Nursing

ECDC also has a full-time nurse on staff who is available to consult with families and teachers about medical conditions, allergies and even promoting overall health and wellness.