



About the Center:

The *Early Learning and Development Center* is a private, not for profit preschool and childcare center established in 1981 to provide high quality care and education for young children in a warm and nurturing environment.

The *Early Learning and Development Center* exists for the following purposes:

- * To share with families the responsibility for promoting sound learning and growth in a period when a child's development is rapid and significant.
- * To encourage each child's self-esteem, curiosity, spontaneous energy, and inventiveness from which a lifestyle of learning habits can develop.
- * To provide a developmentally based program that will meet the child's emotional, intellectual, and health needs, as well as providing for their physical care.
- * To recognize the individuality of each child and to foster the child's growth to their full potential and understanding that they are also part of a larger community.

Mission Statement:

Our mission at The Early Learning and Development Center is to serve children and families by providing an inclusive, high quality early childhood education program; one that supports the social, emotional, and developmental growth of each individual child. Our goal is to be a leader in high quality childcare in the Seattle area.

Program Philosophy:

We recognize the primacy of the family in each child's life and strive to respect and support each family in raising and educating their children.

We strive for open communication with families to help us understand the significant events in each child's home life, and to share with families the significant events that occur while children are in our care.

We strive for a diverse staff who care about young children and have the necessary tools to provide a developmentally appropriate environment in which children can learn and grow.

We strive to help the staff in their quest for excellence, with ongoing training and professional support.

The Center is not affiliated with any religious or other organization.



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Dear Friend,

We are having a silent auction and raffle to benefit The Early Learning and Development Center's Broadview Location. We will be inviting all community members, families, and businesses to attend. This event is scheduled for November 13, 2026.

In past auctions, we have been able to obtain artisan jewelry, fine wines, gift certificates, pet grooming, art, sports memorabilia, and children's items, as well as many other items of value through generous donations from friends like you. Our 2025 auction helped us raise over \$10,000, which was used to refurbish our preschool playground. This year, our goal will be to raise funds to improve our toddler side of the playground. This includes a new climber and turf. Donations towards such improvements help to further the success of the program as well as improve the learning environment for the children.

We humbly ask for your assistance and kindness through a donation to our event. No donation is too large or too small. We will happily accept any item, gift certificate or cash donation that you provide to be included in our silent auction, or raffle, as well as extend an invitation for you, your family, and friends to attend. If needed, we will also pick up any item you wish to donate.

On the reverse side of this letter, you will find a description of our childcare center as well as our mission statement and philosophy. Because we are a not-for-profit organization, any donation you make is tax deductible when you identify it as a charitable donation using our **TAX ID Number: 91-1159320**. There is also a donation record at the bottom of this page for you to use as a reminder of your donation during tax time.

Thank you in advance for your time, generosity, and kindness!

Sincerely,

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DONATION RECORD

Date_____

Value_____

Item Description_____
