

# Frequently Asked Questions

## **What ages must children be to attend the CSU Child Development Center?**

**Infant:** 6 weeks - 18 months

**Toddler I:** 18 months - 27 months

**Toddler II:** 27 months - 36 months

**Preschool:** 3 years - 5 years

## **What are the operating hours for the Center?**

The Center is open Monday through Friday, 6:30AM. Through 6:00PM. The Center will be closed during holidays that are observed by Cleveland State University.

## **Do I have to be a CSU student or faculty member to enroll?**

No. The CSU Child Development Center gives priority registration to current CSU students first, next to their faculty and staff, and then finally to the general community, pending space availability.

## **What do I need to submit to verify my student enrollment or CSU employment?**

Students must submit a copy of their schedule for the term their child will be enrolled indicating class times as well as a valid Viking Card with the registration form and fee. Faculty and staff are required to submit a copy of their valid Viking Card with their registration form and fee. All are required to complete the Enrollment packet and attend a scheduled center orientation prior having their child(ren) attend the Center.

## **Who will be supervising my child(ren) while they are at the Center?**

The licensed center is staffed by the YMCA of Greater Cleveland, a non-profit organization. The YMCA of Greater Cleveland has been providing child care for over twenty years to the Greater Cleveland community.

## **What will my child(ren) be doing while at the Center?**

The Center has adopted the nationally recognized theory and researched based, *The Creative Curriculum*. The CSU Child Development Center is designed to meet the needs of each child by providing experiences that enhance their social, emotional, cognitive and physical development. A well-trained and experienced staff creates teaching strategies that provide meaningful early learning experiences. Infant/Toddler curriculum activities align with the Ohio Infant/Toddler Guidelines, while the preschool curriculum activities align with the Ohio Early Learning Content Standards.

## What if I would like to visit and tour the Center, do I need to make an appointment?

An appointment is required. You may schedule an appointment by calling 216.802.3330.

## When can my child(ren) begin attending the Center?

Your child may begin attending the Center when:

- A space exists in your child's age group
- A completed registration form and \$35.00 non-refundable registration fee is submitted
- A completed enrollment packet (including a signed Medical Statement from a physician) is submitted
- You have attended a Center orientation & tour.
- All applicable tuition fees are paid

## What are the class sizes and ratios at the Center?

The Center will maintain the following staff-to-child ratios for each age group:

| Age Group             | Staff-to-child-ratio | Maximum Group Size |
|-----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| 6 weeks -18 months    | 1:4                  | 8                  |
| 18 months - 27 months | 1:6                  | 12                 |
| 27 months - 36 months | 1:6                  | 12                 |
| 3 years - 4 years     | 1:9                  | 18                 |
| 4 years - 5 years     | 1:9                  | 18                 |

## What are the tuition fees for the Center?

### FALL SEMESTER

| STUDENT WEEKLY RATE                              | Infant   | Toddler I | Toddler II | Preschool | Pre-K    |
|--|----------|-----------|------------|-----------|----------|
| <b>Full Time</b><br>4 - 5 Days per Week          | \$171.76 | \$167.05  | \$162.35   | \$143.53  | \$143.53 |
| <b>Part-time</b><br>1 - 3 Days per Week          | \$148.24 | \$143.53  | \$138.82   | \$123.76  | \$123.76 |
| <b>Part-time</b><br>4 hours or less per day/week | \$94.12  | \$89.41   | \$89.41    | \$80.00   | \$80.00  |
| STAFF, FACULTY, ALUMNI<br>WEEKLY RATE            | Infant   | Toddler I | Toddler II | Preschool | Pre-K    |
| <b>Full Time</b><br>4 - 5 Days per Week          | \$181.18 | \$171.76  | \$167.06   | \$148.24  | \$148.24 |

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|---|---------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------|
| <b>Part-time</b><br>1 - 3 Days per Week | \$152.94      | \$148.24         | \$143.53          | \$128.00         | \$128.00     |
| <b>COMMUNITY WEEKLY RATE</b>            | <b>Infant</b> | <b>Toddler I</b> | <b>Toddler II</b> | <b>Preschool</b> | <b>Pre-K</b> |
| <b>Full Time</b><br>4 - 5 Days per Week | \$183.53      | \$176.47         | \$171.76          | \$150.59         | \$150.59     |
| <b>Part-time</b><br>1 - 3 Days per Week | \$155.29      | \$150.59         | \$145.88          | \$129.41         | \$129.41     |

*Financial assistance may be available for those who qualify and county voucher subsidies are accepted.*

### **How do I know if I am eligible to receive financial assistance through the county (county vouchers)?**

Information regarding child care assistance can be obtained through the website <http://employment.cuyahogacounty.us/> or by calling the child care hotline at 216.987.7346.

### **As a CSU student, what if I enroll my child in the CSU Child Development Center and then drop my classes?**

It is the responsibility of the student to notify the Center Director and/or Administrative Staff immediately when classes for a semester have been dropped, the student has withdrawn from CSU, or any other changes have occurred. Depending on whether or not there is a waiting list for children of current CSU students, faculty or staff, your space may be forfeited. Failure to notify the Center of a change in enrollment status, while continuing to use the facility, is a violation of Center enrollment policies.

### **What scholarship opportunities are available?**

There are a limited number of YMCA scholarships, as well as CCAMPIS Scholarships for families that qualify. Scholarships are contingent on meeting scholarship qualification and funds being available.