

CHILD CARE EDUCATION PROGRAM

Dear Prospective CCEP Parent:

We are pleased that you are interested in enrolling your child in the **Child Care Education Program (CCEP)** operated by the Human Development and Family Studies Department in the School of Health and Human Sciences at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

CCEP serves a unique role in the University and Greensboro communities. We provide a teacher training facility for the campus and provide a high quality educational program for the Greensboro community. CCEP is dedicated to providing a warm and nurturing environment for young children. We provide rich educational experiences based on the idea that children's learning is an active process. Therefore, we allow children to make choices and advance at their own pace in an atmosphere in which they feel competent, yet challenged, as they progress.

Our program typically has a waiting list for enrollment. As vacancies occur, we contact families to fill open spaces. Most of our enrollment occurs during the months of July, August, or September as children leave CCEP to attend kindergarten and currently enrolled children move to new classrooms.

CCEP seeks to enroll a population that reflects the diversity of the Greensboro/ Guilford County community, including children with and without disabilities and children from various cultures. A sliding fee scale is used so that families with varying incomes can participate in our program. Department of Social Services Child Care Vouchers and United Way scholarships are also accepted. CCEP strives for a balanced enrollment in each classroom. Factors such as age, gender, ethnic background, and ability levels are considered in this decision.

An application form is available on the website and can be returned to the CCEP office by mail or email. Upon receipt of the completed form, your child's application will be added to the group we review when openings occur.

We hope you will consider our program for your child. On this website you can find information about our program operations and the current sliding fee scale. You may also contact our office if you have any further questions. When we have spaces available for enrollment, in-depth tours of the program are offered to families prior to acceptance of enrollment.

Families accepting enrollment will be asked to arrange a joint visit with their child to the new classroom. Following a joint visit, the child will then visit on his/her own with increasingly longer periods each day. This process of visiting with a familiar adult and having shorter initial days assists children in becoming familiar with a new setting, new adults, and new peers. It typically takes 3 to 5 days, but is helpful in allowing children to feel secure and comfortable in their new classroom.

Thank you again, for your interest in our program. We look forward to having the opportunity to have your family as part of CCEP.

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