

Dear Parents,

As the pastor of Rockport United Methodist Church I want to personally thank you for visiting the Rockport Early Childhood Center. As you walk the halls, visit the classrooms, and talk with teachers, no doubt you will sense that this is a good place for children, and more specifically this is the right place for your child or children.

The reason Rockport Early Childhood Center is the right place for your child or children is because of its commitment to excellence. That commitment to excellence embraces individualized care for the children and can be directly traced to the leadership and the understanding that we are to care for the children entrusted into our care in the same manner Jesus cared for the children that were brought to him. This commitment to care for children is an outgrowth of the pledge made so many years ago by the Rockport United Methodist Church namely to provide quality care for the children in the community.

That pledge and commitment, made so many years ago, remains strong in both the Rockport United Methodist Church and the Early Childhood Center. The Rockport United Methodist Church and the Rockport Early Childhood Center are both committed to great teacher/child ratios as well as exciting programs that teach children through exploration and play; study and discussion; and relationships with teachers and friends.

Just as you will find the Rockport Early Childhood Center to be the place of excellence and growth, we pray that you will come and experience the same excellence in spiritual growth with those of us who call Rockport United Methodist Church our home.

Peace,

Rev Dr. Gordon Myers



I have so much respect for the staff of RECC and truly believe it takes special people to provide quality care for so many little ones on a day-to-day basis.

Not only is it a job to care for and entertain "typical" children, your staff has gone above and beyond with my son. Caring for a child with special needs is a challenge in itself, but not a week goes by that I am not telling someone how incredible my son's teachers are with him and the effort they put forward to include him and work with him to help him achieve his goals and how lucky we are. They treat my son with respect and I can tell they truly care about his needs. That means the world to me.

— Mother of a Preschooler & Toddler

It is nearly impossible to put into words the gratitude and appreciation we feel toward all of the wonderful teachers and staff members at this center. For four years you gave us the priceless peace of mind that our children were well cared for and nurtured. My husband and I were raised by stay-at-home moms, so our apprehension about sending our own children to the unfamiliar daycare setting was initially overwhelming. With a lot of tears and deep breaths I was able to pry myself away from my 12 week old son, trusting him to the amazing women in the infant room. As the years passed and my daughter came along, that apprehension had transformed into a secure feeling of trust.

Thanks to RECC we were able to pursue career, family and educational ambitions all at the same time. You have graced our lives tremendously.

— Mother of an Infant and Preschooler



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**Because we honor families,  
we weave a fine fabric of  
security and acceptance  
for the children in our care.**



Rockport is an educational child care facility with low teacher/child ratios and qualified, trained, and caring staff.

- Hours of operation: 6:15 am - 6:15 pm
- Mondays through Fridays
- Located in and affiliated with the Rockport United Methodist Church
- Nature setting; borders MetroParks with beautiful green space and outdoor playgrounds
- Outdoor fun in all seasons! Snow angels, gardening, playgrounds, water play, and leaves all around!
- Licensed by the State of Ohio
- Step Up To Quality One Star Rated
- Administrator always on duty
- Full or Part Time (two to five days a week)
- Hot lunch and two snacks per day (we participate in the Child and Adult Care Food Program)
- Planned curriculum for all ages
  - Infant/Toddler Guidelines
  - Early Learning Content Standards
  - Creative Curriculum
- Small classes and individual attention for all children
- A quality child care center since 1981



## PROGRAMS

### Infants

- **Infants from 6 weeks to 12 months**
- **1:4 ratio**

### Older infants

- **Infants from 12 to 18 months**
- **1:4 ratio**

### Toddlers

- **Children 18 months to 2 year old**
- **1:5 ratio**

### Middle Toddlers

- **Children 24 to 30 months**
- **1:6 ratio**

### Older Toddlers

- **Children from 30 months to 3 year old**
- **1:7 ratio**

### Preschool

- **Children from 3 to 5 years old**
- **1:11 ratio**

### Kindergarten and First Grade Extension

- **Children in Kindergarten or First Grade**
- **1:14 ratio**

### Summer Camp Programs

- **Kindergarten through First Grade**
- **1:14 ratio**



We value the **trust placed in us by parents** who choose Rockport. We believe in and are committed to the following:

The environment we set up is consistent and nurturing. Our primary goal is to **provide a safe, warm, secure, and loving place for your child.**

We use **Ohio's Infant & Toddler Guidelines** (which consist of Physical Health, Emotional, Social, Motor, Language & Communication, and Cognitive Development) for our curriculum and the goals we establish. The years from birth to three set the stage for success in school and life.

We use the State of Ohio's **Early Learning Content Standards** (which consist of English, Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies) and the Creative Curriculum for our curriculum and the goals we establish. Quality Preschool experience lays the foundation for Kindergarten readiness and success in life.

We nurture the **educational development** of your child through reinforcing the basic skills being taught in Kindergarten and First grade classrooms.

We are committed to **building each child's self-esteem and empowering them as individuals.** We recognize and celebrate the rights of young children.

With **infants and toddlers**, we encourage the beginning of **pro-social skills** in their relationship with other children and adults through sharing, taking turns, and respecting the rights and property of others.

We believe in encouraging **preschool and school age children** to be involved in **peaceful conflict resolution**, through expressing their feelings and discussing positive alternatives to aggression. We encourage pro-social behaviors in children such as cooperating, taking turns, participating in clean-up times and recognizing the rights of others.

We are committed to developing anti-bias attitudes and a **respect and appreciation for all people.** Through our curriculum and the materials/equipment we use, and the environment we create, we promote this learning.

We strive to develop a **respect and appreciation for the Earth's resources and inhabitants.**

**We see ourselves as a team with parents**, always recognizing the primary, most important role you play in your child's life. We would welcome and appreciate the opportunity to teach and care for your child.