



Toddlers & Twos Room

PITC & Teaching Pyramid Toddler Classroom

Storybook Village Preschool's Toddler program is where our toddlers are loved, respected, and celebrated. The program welcomes toddlers to continue their group care experience or introduce a new child to time away from home. SVP provides small groups and primary caregiving, fostering positive and trusting relationships. Our highly-qualified teachers are mentored and coached on implementing WestEd's comprehensive program-wide approach to the Teaching Pyramid and the Program for Infant Toddler Care (PITC). Our toddler environment is a safe place (emotionally and physically) and developmentally appropriate for bridging the gap between infancy and preschool. Our toddlers develop a secure foundation for exploration and master emerging skills through a relationship-driven learning experience.

“Partnerships between care teachers and families are central to high-quality care for all toddlers, across settings and life circumstances” (CDE 2010, 3).

The classrooms have supportive learning areas to welcome and promote meaningful play and exploration to foster independence, self-help skills, and the desired friendly behaviors for a group setting. Through the PITC's caregiving routines, the teachers facilitate mealtime, napping, and toileting or diapering routines as opportunities to build close personal relationships with the toddlers while attending to their individual physical, emotional, and developmental needs. These moment-to-moment activities foster self-esteem, feelings of security, cognitive skills, and language skills. We implement the PITC curriculum and focus on three learning contexts: the environment, interactions and communication, and daily care routines.





TODDLERS & TWOS DAILY SCHEDULE

This is a pleasant, informal time of the day where toddlers are dropped off by 9:30 am to support the morning rituals and routines.

8:00 am - 9:30 am	Arrival (Greeting and play freely)
9:00 am - 9:30 am	Morning Music and Snack
9:30 am - 10:30 am	Small Groups & Indoor Play
10:30 am - 11:30 am	Outdoor Play
11:30 am - 12:00 pm	Storytime and Handwashing
12:00 pm - 12:30 pm	Lunch Time
12:30 pm - 2:30 pm	Nap time & Caregiving Routines
2:30 pm - 3:00 pm	Afternoon Snack & Sensory Exploration
3:00 pm - 3:45 pm	Outdoor Play
3:45 pm - 4:00 pm	Music & Movement, Goodbyes

Respectful Diapering and potty training are ongoing with the children as needed throughout the day. It is important to keep in mind that learning happens in every part of the day. Amazing explorations and discoveries often happen spontaneously and unexpectedly. Staying alert, curious, observant, and responsive allows care teachers to use their own and the children's initiative and interests to co-create curriculum. (2nd.; Gonzalez-Mena, 2002)

Special Notes

Our classroom schedule is fluid and elastic. Our values are embedded with relation to time; projects and conversations are permitted to unfold in their own time. We give our young children ample time and space to make connections on their own time. Our toddlers do things each day and can anticipate, such as morning snack, play, lunch, rest, snack, and pick up. Please remember that families are welcome to visit the program at any time!

If your child will be absent or later than 9:30 am, please call or send a message in the Family app in advance.