

# Gates Chili School District UPK *Imagination Childcare Academy, Inc.*

PARENT INFORMATION MEETING



# MISSION STATEMENT

Committed to ensuring EVERY child thrives



1. We instill a solid social emotional foundation!
2. We believe every child can learn!
3. We celebrate each person's unique gifts!
4. We are solution focused!
5. We are lifelong learners!
6. We build strong partnerships with families!



# MY FAMILY



# MY EDUCATION & CERTIFICATIONS



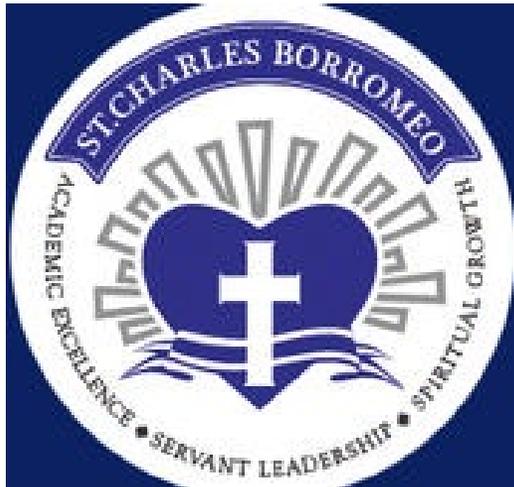
## NYS TEACHING CERTIFICATIONS

- Literacy B-6
- Students with Disabilities 1-6
- Elementary Education 1-6

## NYS ADMINISTRATION CERTIFICATIONS

- School Building Leader
- School District Leader

# MY EXPERIENCE



# History of Imagination Childcare Academy



# Our Programs

## Parent Pay Programs

Licensed: Office of Children & Family Services



- Junior PreK (3-4 years)
- PreK (4-5 years)
- School Age Program (K-1)
- School-Age Program (Grades 2-6)
- Before/After Wrap Around Program for UPK

## Gates Chili Universal Pre-kindergarten Program

Regulated: New York State Education Department



- Seven classrooms (18 children each)
- 9:30am-2:30pm, M-F
- Paid by Gates-Chili School District

# PARENT ENGAGEMENT

You are your  
child's first  
teacher!



You are your  
child's expert!

# CLASSROOM PARENT LIAISON

- Facilitates communication between parents and the teacher, school administration, and/or parent-teacher organization (PTO)
- Supports the teacher in needs that may arise





- Building relationships with your child
- Using positive encouragement
- Understanding the power of play
- Teaching friendship skills
- Determining the meaning of behavior
- Making our expectations clear
- Developing household rules
- Teaching emotional literacy
- Helping your child control anger and handle disappointment
- Teaching problem solving
- Strategies to deal with challenging behavior that continues even though you are using all of the parenting practices discussed above



[Support@gateschili.org](mailto:Support@gateschili.org)



**Hello Stephanie Carter,**

Casey Child Care will be using Procure to stay connected with parents. You have been added to Jenna Carter's profile. Please follow the steps below to get started.

1. Download the free [iPhone/iPad](#) or [Android](#) app, or sign up on [Web](#).
2. Choose **Sign Up**, then **Parent**.
3. Click "**Add Child**" and enter this 10 character code: **5F42E02DA4** . (code will expire in one week)

Once signed up, you'll be able to receive photos, videos, messages, and updates about your child's daily activities. Anytime your child is dropped off or picked up, you'll know. You can also set up automatic online billing once your school is set up.

Learn more about [Procure](#) here. If you have any questions, visit our [Help Center](#).

Thank you,  
Procure Solutions Team

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# Imagination Library



# SPECIAL EVENTS

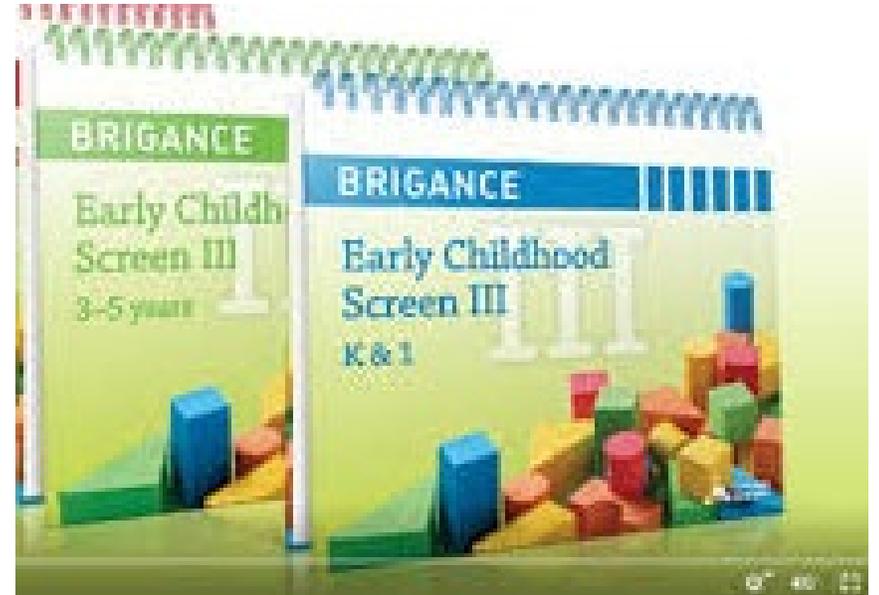
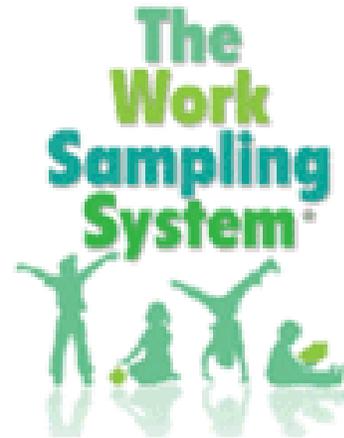
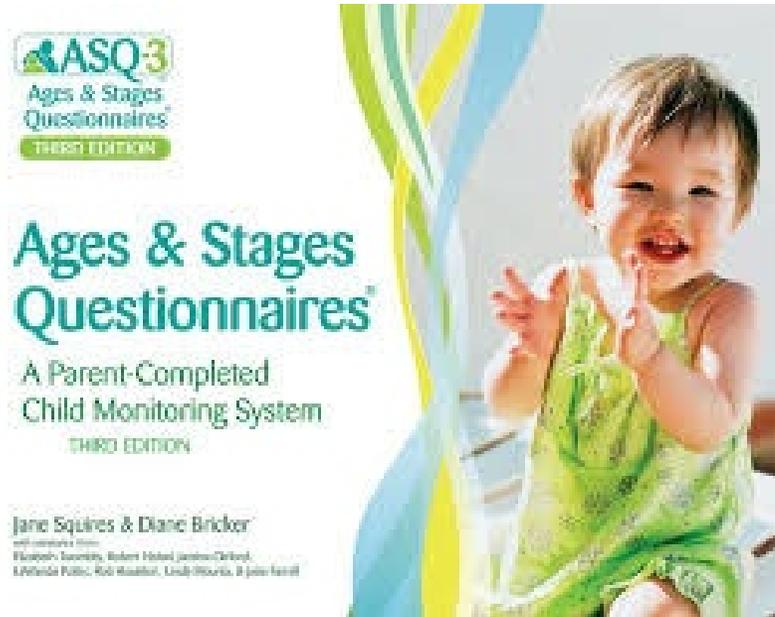


# Our Curriculum

1. Welcome to Pre-K
2. From Farm to Table
3. Celebrations Around the World
4. Everyone Has a Story
5. Motion
6. Mother Earth



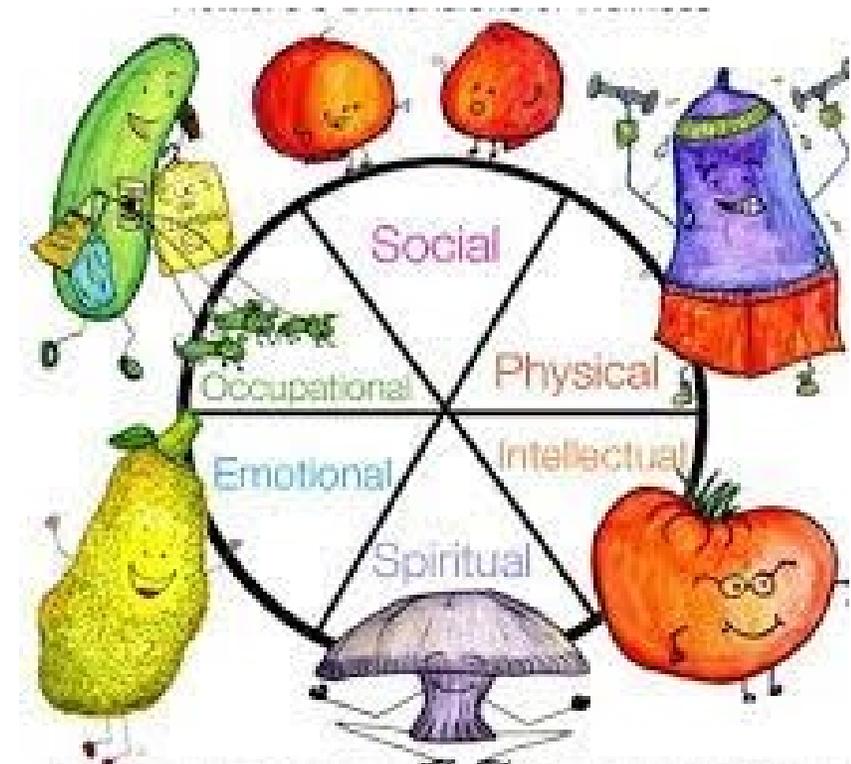
# ASSESSMENTS



PHONOLOGICAL AWARENESS LITERACY SCREENING

# HEALTH AND WELLNESS

- Please review our Health & Wellness Policy
- Physicals need to be updated annually.
- Please fill out ALL required paperwork in a timely manner or it could jeopardize continuity of care.
- Any health concerns or Special Education services requires additional paperwork (please see Stefanie).
- Please send your child into school with a water bottle each day.
- Make sure your child has sneakers at school every day!



# BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Healthy,  
Nut-  
free/peanut  
free treat



No goody  
bags  
please



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# EMERGENCY CLOSINGS



# Behavior Management Pyramid Model



A Social Emotional Framework

- Build Relationships
- Supportive, High-Quality Classrooms Environment
- Teaching Expectations
  - Be Safe
  - Be Kind
  - Be Responsible
- Focus on Teaching Skills
  - Problem Solving
  - Friendship
  - Recognizing Emotions
  - How to calm down
- Intensive Intervention

# POSITIVE BEHAVIOR SUPPORTS

## Our School Rules

Be Safe

Be Kind

Be Responsible

## Incentives

BEE Coupons

Friday Buzz

Positive Specific Praise



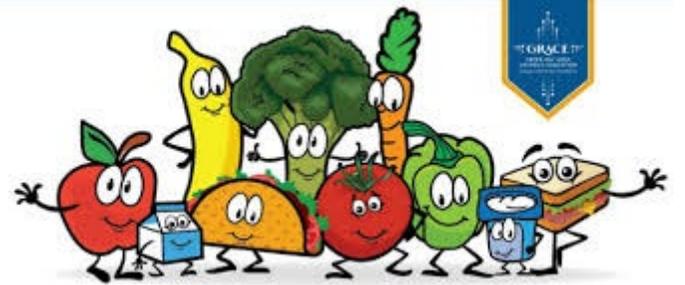
# DROP-OFF/PICK-UP PROCEDURES

- Timely drop and pick up is expected on a *daily* basis.
- Be patient with each other
- Drive slowly through the parking lot
- Hold your child's hand
- Shut cars off
- Stay off cell phone at pick up and drop off
- Limit Conversations with the teacher at drop off



# SCHOOL NUTRITION PROGRAM

- Lunch is available to purchase through Gates Chili Nutrition Program
- Sign your child up for account using his/her student ID
- All payments go through My School Bucks App (no payments are taken at ICA)
- Circle whether your child would like hot/cold entree
- Can choose which days to order
- Must submit the completed menu choices to your child's teacher at the end of each month for the following month.
- Sign-up for School Tool



# Tuition

1. Tuition is *prorated* (September 4th -June 28th). This means that tuition is the same EVERY week regardless of whether the school is open or if your child attends.
2. Tuition is due the week BEFORE care is provided.
3. Payment box outside of my office window.



- All doors are locked with coded entry
- Please DO NOT give the code out to anyone, including your children
- Do NOT prop the door open for anyone.

Lunch (peanut/nut free)



Water Bottle



Family Photo



Bug spray & Sunscreen



What to  
Bring on the  
First Day

Two Extra sets of Clothes



# HEALTH POLICY

If your child shows any of the following symptoms, he/she will need to stay home for at least 24 hours and until the child is fever free, without fever reducing medication.

- Fever over 100.0
- Excessive dry cough
- Shortness of breath
- Lethargic, overly tired, unusually calm or quiet
- Mild respiratory illness/ issues
- Diarrhea and/or vomiting



# NUT FREE/PEANUT FREE FACILITY

1. Frequent handwashing
2. A list of children with allergies posted in each classroom, so that all staff are aware.
3. We have emergency plans on file for each child with an allergy.
4. We have a all staff are trained to use epi-pens.
5. We have are a strict nut free/peanut free zone.





Every Child Deserves a Good Book



- Daily student attendance is expected, M-F 9:30am-2:30pm
- If your child is absent due to illness, a written note is required upon his/her return.
- Excessive absences from school have a negative impact on student learning. In addition, there is high demand for this publicly-funded program within our community.

# New Community Playground Project





# WHAT'S NEXT?



1. Complete all paperwork and bring with you to the Parent Teacher Meet & Greet.
2. Parent Teacher Meet & Greet is on August 30<sup>th</sup>. This is an adult only event.
3. Bring your child in to drop off supplies and meet the teacher anytime on September 1st from 10am-12pm.