



Padonia Park Child Centers



2025-2026
Infant to Pre-K
Enrollment Guide

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Padonia Park Child Centers is your premiere year-round private preschool on a beautiful 30-acre countryside campus, open weekdays from 7:00am to 6:00pm, for Infants through Pre-K.

We are committed to establishing and maintaining a safe and healthy learning environment, supporting social and emotional development, and establishing positive and meaningful relationships with families. Spacious classrooms and a picture-perfect outdoor setting ensure freedom for exploration, creativity, and new adventures every day. The Center is licensed by the Maryland State Department of Education.

PHILOSOPHY

Padonia Park Child Centers offers an educational program which is developmentally appropriate for children ages three months through Pre-K.

We are committed to the following goals:

- Establish & maintain a safe & healthy learning environment.
- Ensure a program that is responsive to the children's social & educational needs.
- Advance the physical and intellectual competence of each child.
- Support social & emotional development, & provide positive guidance for each child.

As a powerful teacher-to-parent communication tool, our partnership with Brightwheel was created to enhance the daily child care experience allowing parents to stay connected, receive daily updates and photos.





Yellow Classrooms - Infants

As they guide your child through developmental milestones, our infant staff provides a loving and nurturing environment for social and emotional growth. As your child gets older, more skills are added to their daily routine to provide a rich context for accelerated learning.

Red Classrooms - Toddlers

Our toddler teachers provide a variety of activities to enhance communication and motor skills through play, music, hands-on activities and outside experiences. Dedicated to a personalized learning environment, we focus on the individual needs of each child.

Green Classrooms - Early Preschool

This program introduces children to more routine and structure in their daily activities. The curriculum includes the development of language, math, and social skills, as well as the enrichment of gross & fine motor skills.

Orange Classroom - Preschool

Critical components of our program are cognitive, language, and movement milestones. It provides a higher level of learning with a curriculum that enhances social, communication and language skills, including recognizing letters and sounds. The daily lessons also focus on mathematical thinking and problem solving skills.

Blue Classroom - Pre-Kindergarten

Building a foundation for children continues in Pre-Kindergarten with creating a constructive learning environment. Our Pre-K program's curriculum is accredited by the Maryland State Department of Education. Our curriculum provides foundational literacy skills, science & mathematical functions, as well as art and creative experiences.



PADONIA Summer Camps

Our camp enrolls children ages 5-13 with programs that include free swim and swim lessons, athletics, art, science experiences, as well as field trips and on-site entertainment. We encourage the development of social skills, self-respect and character building, cognitive growth, emotional growth and community living skills.

Children ages 9-13 can take part in Adventure Camp, learning about teamwork, self-esteem, self-discipline and safety through target sports, rock climbing, low ropes course including our zipline & more.



ENROLLMENT

Application & Deposit: A non-refundable deposit of the first month's tuition and a \$500.00 Registration Fee is required with the signed contract. This non-refundable deposit will secure your child's place in the program and the \$500.00 Registration Fee will be applied to the August 2026 tuition, provided all financial obligations have been met. The non-refundable Registration Fee will be forfeited if enrollment ends prior to August 2026. The tuition deposit is required of all new enrollees and will be applied to the first month of enrollment.

Tuition: Save up to one month's tuition when you pay the annual, non-refundable tuition in full. Half due by November 15, 2024 and balance due by January 24, 2025. A 5% sibling discount is offered for children enrolled in Orange and Blue. Tuition is calculated on an annual basis and payable either annually or monthly. Tuition is due the 1st day of each month for the following month. Example: The tuition for the month of September is due by August 1.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

The 2025-2026 School Calendar will be distributed in August. The Center will be closed on the following dates:

- Labor Day - Monday, September 1, 2025
- Thanksgiving Holiday - Thursday November 27 & Friday November 28, 2025
- Winter Break - Wednesday, December 24, 2025 through Thursday, January 1, 2026
- President's Day Staff In-service Day– Monday February 16, 2026
- Good Friday - Friday, April 3, 2026
- Memorial Day - Monday, May 25, 2026
- Juneteenth - Friday, June 19, 2026
- Independence Holiday - Friday, July 3, 2026
- August Staff In-service Day - Friday, August 28, 2026

“We love the Padonia Park Child Centers atmosphere and teaching style – warm, nurturing, simple, straightforward, and down to earth...the most effective for many little seeds to grow and glow.” -Sherri



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“We absolutely love it. Reagan seems to have really blossomed so quickly -and she is so happy to come to school! She literally looks like she’s having the time of her life in some of the Brightwheel pics. Sometimes when we even come to pick her up in the afternoon, she’ll be in no hurry to even leave... they’re so easy to communicate with and are so gentle with Reagan-they’re so great about keeping us in the loop and making sure Reagan is happy. -Alexa



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This Registration Agreement is made by and between Child Care International, Ltd., dba Padonia Park Child Care Centers (the "Center") and the parent or legal guardian whose name appears below ("Parent"). The 2025-2026 school year will run from Tuesday, September 2, 2025 through Thursday, August 27, 2026.

Parent wishes to enroll their child/children in the Center's Child Care program, and the Center is willing to accept the child into the program subject to the terms and conditions listed below.

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Arrival and Pick-up: Parents acknowledge and agree that no child may arrive earlier than 7:00 am. Parent shall sign each child in by scanning the QR code for Brightwheel and make certain the teacher acknowledges that each child is present. QR codes are located outside each classroom door. Minor siblings are not permitted to deliver or pick up children. Parent or a responsible, designated adult will pick up each child, and sign them out via the QR code for Brightwheel. Parent will always keep their child within arm's reach until check-in is complete. Everyone must be fever free if entering the Center. Any person evidencing a fever over 100.4 will not be permitted on the property until he or she has been fever free without medication for over 24 hours or within current CDC regulations.

Pick-up and Late Fees: If a Parent is picking up a child at any time other than normal pick-up time, they must notify the teacher at least 1 hour in advance so the teacher can be prepared for arrival. Each child must be picked up no later than the Center's 6:00 pm closing time. There will be a charge of \$20.00 for the first 1 to 5 minutes late after 6:00pm. For every additional 5 minutes late, an additional \$20 will be added to the charge. More than three late pick-ups in one school year may result in termination of this Agreement, in the sole discretion of the Center. Late fees are payable to the Center via check or card via Brightwheel. Non-payment is grounds for dismissal from the Center. In the event that the Center closes early for weather or another event, late pick up fees will be billed in the same fashion.

Illness Policy: Parent will keep a child home who displays any of the following symptoms or illnesses within the previous 24-hour period: fever above 100.4 degrees, cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, chills, muscle & body aches, sore throat, headache, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, fatigue, loss of taste or smell, congestion or runny nose or other illnesses. Parent further agrees that any child who is too sick to participate fully in the program, including outdoor play, shall be kept at home. If any child is exhibiting any of the following symptoms: cough, runny nose, sore throat, difficulty breathing, diarrhea, vomiting, or fever over 100.4, parent must provide a doctor's note in order for the child to return to the Center, at the Center's discretion. The Center follows CDC state and international travel guidelines, recommendations and/or restrictions, and update its policies consistent with any additional directives and/or recommendations that may be issued. Parent acknowledges and agrees that COVID-19 and other illnesses are extremely contagious and that despite the precautions that the Center undertakes for the protection of its families, staff, and the community, there is no guarantee that the Center can prevent the transmission of viruses and other illnesses. Parent acknowledges that if there is a suspected case of COVID-19 or other illnesses, the Center will follow the current and applicable recommendations and requirements of the Baltimore County Department of Health and Maryland Department of Education-Office of Child Care, along with the CDC. The Center has a voluntary mask policy. Parent acknowledges and agrees that changes in positivity rate, surge of an illness, etc. may result in the Center changing its policy at any time. Center will send notification to all Parents concerning a change in its face mask policy, and Parent agrees to comply with all face mask requirements that may be established at any time.



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Vaccination: The Center has adopted additional safety procedures and policies in response to the coronavirus pandemic.

While the Center has not yet implemented a vaccination mandate, it reserves the right to do so at any time, as well as update or change other policies regarding COVID-19 or with respect to any other public health emergency or similar situations. Upon the implementation of a vaccine or similar policy or mandate, there will be no refunds issued or other financial accommodations provided by the Center should a parent withdraw their child in response to the mandate/policy. Related policies must be followed, or the child(ren) will be terminated from all activities, with no refund given.

Contact Information: Parent shall immediately inform the Center of all changes in address, phone numbers, emergency information, or any change in family situations and provide updated information via Brightwheel profile. If there is a Custody Order in place with respect to any child, Parents are required to provide the Center with a copy of current Court Order and all related documents in place regarding the child.

Termination: Parent acknowledges that if the Center, in its sole discretion, determines it necessary or advisable to terminate this Agreement, the Center may do so upon 5 days' written notification to Parent. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if payment of tuition is not made in accordance with this Agreement, or if, in the sole and absolute discretion of the Center, circumstances exist that may affect or threaten the health and welfare of any child or staff member, the Center may terminate this Agreement without any prior notice or refund.

Theft/loss of Property: Parent agrees that Center will not be responsible for loss, theft, or damage to any personal items brought to the Center.

Payment of Tuition: Parent shall pay the tuition fee by the first day of each month prior to the month of attendance. Parent shall pay a \$50.00 late fee for any payment not received by the Center by the first of the month. Parent acknowledges and agrees that if tuition is not received, the Center may immediately terminate this Agreement and demand payment of all amounts due under the contract in full, which shall be paid within 5 days of such demand. Parent will be charged a \$35.00 fee for any returned payment. Credit card and ACH payments will be charged an additional processing fee. There is a 3% surcharge by Brightwheel for each month's credit card usage. Parent acknowledges and agrees that there is no reduction of fees for any reason, including absences, vacations, weather closings, early dismissals, or late openings, Acts of God, war, disasters, public health crises, government closures, emergencies, or similar situations.

Withdrawal by Parent: If Parent wishes to withdraw any child from the Center, Parent agrees to give Center sixty (60) days prior written notice of the child's last day. Parent shall remain liable for the tuition for the two (2) months following the Center's receipt of the termination notice and agrees to pay such tuition in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. Any notice of withdrawal must be submitted directly to the Center Director in a hard copy. Emails will not be considered an effective form of notice and will not be accepted by the Center.

Closure Policy: Parent acknowledges that the Center is subject to further order of the government, and that the Center will comply with all such actions that apply to the Center, including closure. Parent also acknowledges that the Center, in its reasonable discretion, may determine that closing is required for any reason. If the Center is closed for a period of 14 consecutive business days, no credit of tuition will be issued. If closure of the Center is for a period more than 14 consecutive business days, a tuition credit for days 15+ will be available at discretion of the Center.

Medication Policy: Parent acknowledges that medication (OTC and prescription) cannot be administered to any child without written consent from the parent and written instructions from the doctor on the appropriate form. Only one dose of an Over the Counter (OTC) medication will be given by the Center, with written parental and physician consent. Authorization for administration of additional doses of OTC medications must be submitted to the Center in writing signed by the child's current physician. All medications must be administered by a parent for the first time each day prior to arrival at the Center. Changes may be made to this understanding pending changes in licensing regulations.

Changes of Clothing: Parent shall provide Center a complete change of clothing and required bedding for each child.



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Inclusion Policy: Padonia Park Child Centers believes that every child deserves the opportunity to thrive in a safe, nurturing, and inclusive environment. Our inclusion policy aims to celebrate diversity and ensure that all children, regardless of their abilities, backgrounds, or individual needs, feel welcomed and valued.

Policy Statement: We are committed to providing an inclusive environment where all children can participate in all aspects of our program. This includes:

Diversity and Acceptance: We embrace the unique qualities of each child and their family, including but not limited to race, ethnicity, culture, language, abilities and social-economic background. We promote acceptance and understanding among children and staff.

Accessibility: Our facilities and programs are designed to be accessible to all children. We will make necessary accommodation to support children with disabilities and special needs, ensure they have equal access to learning and play opportunities.

Individualized Support: We recognize that each child has unique strengths and challenges. Our staff will work collaboratively with families and relevant professionals to create individualized plans that support each child's development and learning.

Staff Training: Our staff will receive ongoing training on inclusive practices, cultural competency, and strategies to support children with diverse needs. This will enhance their ability to foster an inclusive atmosphere and respond effectively to the needs of all children.

Family Engagement: We encourage open communication and collaboration with families. We invite parents and guardians to actively participate in their child's learning journey and provide input on how we can better support their child's needs.

Continues Improvement: We are committed to continuously assessing and improving our inclusion practices. We will regularly seek feedback from families, staff, and the community to enhance our programs and ensure they meet the needs of all children.

Conclusion: At Padonia Park Child Centers, we recognize that inclusion is a shared responsibility and a fundamental aspect of our mission. We are dedicated to creating a vibrant, supportive community where every child can flourish.

Discipline Policy: Our positive discipline technique could involve the following:

Provide ample activities to keep the child involved.

Discussion with child and give gentle explanations and reminders.

Positive reinforcement and encouragement.

The child will be redirected to another activity.

Provide a quiet time. (This is a short time where the child is given time in the classroom to collect him/herself until they are ready to be a part of the group activities again.)

Family Conferences: Family Conferences will be conducted virtually once a year in the fall. You will be notified of this through Brightwheel and a sign up form will be provided electronically for you to schedule a time and day.



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Guide to Regulated Child Care: Parents can find the Guide to Regulated Child Care at: https://earlychildhood.marylandpublicschools.org/system/files/filedepot/2/guide_to_regulated_child_care.pdf, and have been provided an electronic copy upon enrollment. Parents have read the Guide to Regulated Child Care, and signature below confirms parents understanding and agreement to all of the information noted in the document.

Security Fobs and Access Control Devices: Parent acknowledges and agrees that security fobs are provided solely as a convenience to gain entry to the Center and shall at all times remain property of the Center. Fobs are issued only to the Parent/Guardians who sign this Agreement and may not be transferred. Upon termination of this Agreement for any reason, all fobs shall be returned to the Center Director on the effective date of termination, or a fee of \$50.00 will be charged.

Operational Decisions: Parent acknowledges that all decisions are made at the sole and absolute discretion of the Center, which shall include decisions and policies relating to child & staffing placement and ratios (in accordance with OCC and MSDE guidelines), curriculum/program planning, testing and evaluations, and placement within the classrooms.

Miscellaneous: Children are accepted between the ages of three (3) months through five (5) years. Admission is at the Center's sole discretion, and is open to all children, regardless of religion or race. The Center reserves the right to make developmentally appropriate choices for each child. No child will be placed into a class based solely on age at the date of application. The child must be suited to the class by age, developmental milestones, and ability to learn. As a courtesy to existing families, the Center reserves the right to offer priority placement to siblings of children already enrolled at the Center. Headings are used for convenience only. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Maryland.

Photography: Parent understands and consents to the use of photographs of their child by the Center for its internal and external use, including promotional purposes.

Brightwheel: Parent agrees to the use of the Brightwheel app for the purpose of receiving and sending information from Padonia Park Child Centers' teachers and administrators about their child, including but not limited to photographs of their child. Images of their child may also appear in group photos that are sent to other parents. Parent understand that the use of Brightwheel app requires them to download the app from the internet onto a smartphone. Parent further understands that the Brightwheel app is to be used to check their child in and out daily.

Registrant(s) shall indemnify and hold the Center and all affiliated companies including Child Care International, Ltd., The Padonia Corporation, Padonia Park Club, Inc., and Windy Valley Farms, LLC., harmless for all claims, allegations, and all additional costs and expenses (payroll, equipment, etc.), including attorney and professional fees that are incurred by the Center as a result of the registrant's conduct and/or participation in the event(s) or activities contemplated by or set forth in this Agreement. Payment for such costs and fees shall be made immediately upon the Center's request.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be executed on the date indicated below.

PARENT/GUARDIAN #1:

Printed Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN #2:

Printed Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____



Padonia Park Child Centers Application/Contract for Admission 2025-2026

Check One:	New	Change	Renew	Waitlist
Date of Application:				Desired Start Date:
Child's Information:				
Last Name:		First Name:		Middle Name:
Current Age:		Gender:		Birthdate:
Street Address:				Home Phone:
City:		State:		ZIP Code:
Referred by:		Flex Spending Receipt—Circle: Yes No		Custody Arrangement: <i>Attach copy of custody court order.</i>
Parent/Guardian Information:				
Guardian 1:			Guardian 2:	
Street Address:			Street Address:	
City:			City:	
State:			State:	
ZIP Code:			ZIP Code:	
Home Phone:			Home Phone:	
Cell:			Cell:	
Employer:			Employer:	
Occupation:			Occupation:	
Business Phone:			Business Phone:	
Email:			Email:	

Priority 2025-2026 Tuition

Enroll by January 24, 2025 and pay the rates below. Subject to change without notice.

	Yellow Classroom Infant Program	Red Classroom Toddler Program	Green Classroom Early Preschool	Orange Classroom Preschool	Blue Classroom Pre-Kindergarten
	1:3 ratio	1:3 ratio	1:6 ratio	1:10 ratio	1:10 ratio
Monthly	\$2,395	\$2,395	\$1,825	\$1,675	\$1,675

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Monthly	\$2,495	\$2,495	\$1,895	\$1,750	\$1,750