

Learn all about us...



- Center hours are 6:30 am 6:30 pm,
 Monday thru Friday
- We have a live-streaming camera system for parents to watch their children during the day
- We use a state-of-the-art parent communication app so you will always be "in the know" about what your child has done
- Our developmentally appropriate curriculum meets or exceeds all state requirements
- A nutritious lunch and 2 snacks are included in tuition
- We accept subsidies through Norwescap
- We are proud participants in Child Care Aware's Military Fee Assistance Program

Center Highlights and Quick Facts

Parent Testimonials

They are truly an incredible facility. My son's first daycare experience was anything but great, however The Owl's Nest has surpassed all of our expectations and needs. They treat our son like one of their own. He walks in excited for the day and we are confident that he is being cared for in the best way possible. We absolutely love them, and feel so lucky they opened so close to home!

Our daughter has attended The Owl's Nest Childcare Center since it first opened its doors in 2019. From our first inquiry email, we were extremely impressed with Claudia's prompt response, attention to detail and genuine passion for her new endeavor. We asked a thousand questions (or very close to it) and she didn't miss responding to a single one. Our daughter has been blessed with the kindest, most patient and creative teachers. She looks forward to going to school EVERY.SINGLE.DAY! We are amazed at how much she has learned and grown while in their care. Miss Tricia and Miss Cat are amazing! Their names are spoken at our dinner table every night. The facility is meticulously clean and every precaution imaginable is being taken daily to protect our child. We love that we are able to check in on our daughter, and stay connected throughout the day through live video streaming and teacher updates. Her teachers are unbelievably responsive. With so much uncertainty in the world today, we have one less thing to worry about while our daughter is at "school". We are very thankful that The Owl's Nest Childcare Center opened in our small town. Our daughter has fostered many friendships that I know will last a lifetime. We recommend this childcare center without any reservation. We are very grateful for our Nest family. - Brittany C.

The Owl's Nest is amazing! Prior to discovering The Owl's Nest, we did not have a good experience with a previous daycare center, and were hesitant to give another place a chance. When we met Claudia, the center director, we knew this was an opportunity we could not turn down. The teachers are amazing, and we have seen how much our daughter has grown and learned from The Owl's Nest. Our daughter looks forward to going to school. She wakes up and cannot get out of the door fast enough. Along with all the educational experiences she receives, the center is also immaculate. I would recommend The Owl's Nest to anyone looking for a daycare program for their children.

- Meghan D.

The Owl's Nest has been a life saver for our family. Miss Claudia and the staff are wonderful. The center is immaculate, and so bright and friendly. Not only does our 4yr old daughter receive the best care when she is there, she is learning and growing so much through their educational curriculum. Every morning our daughter is bright eyed and super excited to go to school. Thank you to all at The Owl's Nest!!

- Amy D.

- Cassie T.

Our daughter loves The Owl's Nest! She has learned so much since she has started here. We are currently in the 2-3 year old room and having the age groups divided the way they are really allows for the best social growth and education! The center prides themselves on having a safe, clean, and welcoming atmosphere. Claudia is wonderful and has a great group of teachers working there. So glad we made the decision to enroll here!

- Danielle M.

This center has been phenomenal even through all of the craziness of 2020. We knew as soon as we toured the center prior to having our daughter, that this was going to be perfect fit, and after having her there for the past 7 months, I can say 100% that our initial thoughts were spot on!! I can't say enough great things about the teachers in the infant room as well as the director who keeps things running smoothly! They are very transparent about everything and keep you updated throughout the day. There are also cameras in the room so you can peek in on your little one to see what they are up to throughout the day. I also love that they carry the curriculum for the older kids throughout the center and even incorporate it into learning opportunities for the babies. I am so happy we found a daycare center where our daughter can grow and learn for years to come while also giving us peace of mind that she is being well cared for by teachers who really do love the kids! - Laura G.

The Owl's Nest is literally the best childcare service any parent could wish for. It is a kind, caring, and clean environment in which my child thrives. I feel so fortunate to be a part of the Nest family and am so thankful that they care for my child when my husband and I are at work.

- Maureen P.

For more testimonials.

visit our website at:

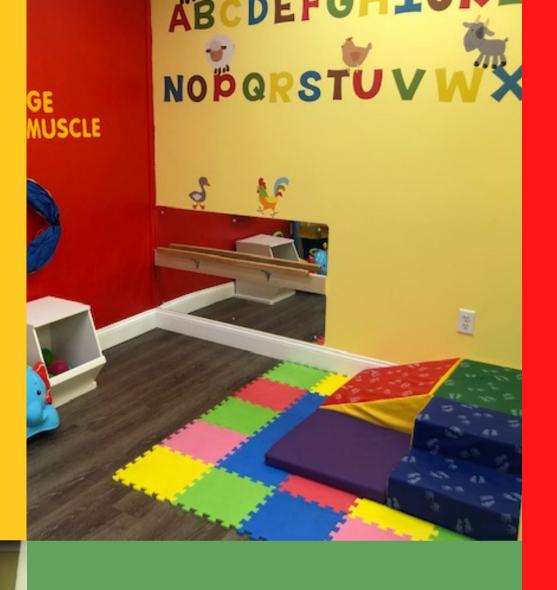
www.theowlsnestchildcare.com/testimonials.html

The Forest Room

Our infant area provides the highest quality care in an environment that is designed with the parent and child in mind. While in our care, the children are stimulated through music, art, exercise, outdoor blanket time, facial and verbal mimicking, as well as lots of stories, hugs, and tickles too. Updates via the Brightwheel app are provided to inform each family about meals, nap times, diaper changes and activities of the day.









Our younger toddlers are meeting new challenges as fast as they come. Walking, jumping and running are levels they accomplish in what seems like a blink of an eye. Children learn best if they are in a stimulating environment. Music, art, stories, outdoor play, and learning simplicities envelop much of the day. Our caregivers are dedicated to helping each child develop these skills through a trusting and loving relationship.

The Ocean Room

Our older toddlers have an amazing amount of boundless energy and an innate sense of curiosity of the world around them. Children know who they are and feel confident in making their own choices. Your child will be working towards several self-help skills. Introducing potty training, encouraging parallel play and promoting self-feeding are only a small part of the skills that your little one will accomplish.







The Safari Room

As our youngest preschoolers gain more self-esteem, they may feel ready to take on the world. Our preschool program fosters that confidence by providing activities to help children become problem solvers and lifelong learners. Through independent exploration, structured activities, and hands-on learning, children will work on early literacy, math, science and social studies concepts along with music, art, and Spanish. A healthy dose of running, jumping and dancing keeps them active too!

The Owl Room

Taught by a certified teacher, the pre-kindergarten curriculum focuses on preparing your child for elementary school. Our curriculum effectively integrates Social and Emotional Development, Language and Communication, Emergent Literacy, Reading and Writing, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Fine Arts and Physical Development. Through exploration, investigation and play, children develop the critical thinking and problem-solving skills that are needed to succeed in Kindergarten, school and life.





Brightwheel

Parent Communication

Want a window into your child's day? A real-time feed of their school activities? Photos delivered straight to your mobile phone?

Meet Brightwheel, an easy-to-use mobile app that helps teachers stay better connected with families.

What is Brightwheel? Teachers use Brightwheel for recording and tracking daily events and activities in the classroom and managing administrative tasks. As a parent, you'll get private, real-time updates on your child delivered to your mobile device throughout the day.

- Daily Updates. A real-time feed of activities throughout the day.
- **Photos.** Watch your child's day unfold with snapshots delivered right to your mobile device.
- **Stay Connected.** Stay in touch with your teacher and get notifications for photos, notes, and check-ins.
- **Digital Check-in.** Easy digital sign-in with your personal Check-in code. ALSO: Check-in with your own device by scanning an image at our entrance!
- **Messaging.** Leave notes for your teacher when your child is sick or running late.
- Paperless Billing. Secure, online system for receiving invoices and receipts for tuition, as well as paying bills digitally. (No more checks!)

Why use Brightwheel? Parents report that the peace of mind Brightwheel delivers is invaluable! We know it's tough being away from your little one all day, especially in these early years. With Brightwheel you'll feel connected and engaged with your child's development on a whole new level.

See how it works... Click on the video below and see how Brightwheel works!



WatchMeGrow

Our Streaming Video Partner

Personal information is stored in the cloud with Amazon Web Services (AWS), one of the world's most secure, powerful and trusted cloud-based data solutions.

Only approved users have access to streaming video at our school; as families leave, they are removed as users.

Each family's access is limited to their child's classroom and any approved common area cameras, as authorized by your center director.

The WatchMeGrow system automatically suspends accounts that haven't been accessed recently, temporarily disables accounts after too many incorrect logins, and allows only one user at a time with the same login credentials.

All video and user data streaming through our cameras and servers to our end users are encrypted using TLS (Transport Layer Security), the standard in internet data transfer security.

Each user creates a unique username and password that we manage. Usernames and passwords are always encrypted to ensure your data stays secure.

WatchMeGrow's security has been verified by Leviathan Security Group, a respected authority on internet security. No other vendor in the industry can claim this stamp of approval. Every video system in childcare should be vetted by an accredited third party security firm – virus scan software isn't enough.

To see how WatchMeGrow works, click HERE.

WatchMeGrow

Frequently Asked Questions

How does it work? Cameras are installed in each classroom. The video is streamed live over the internet and parents have secure, individual usernames and passwords that give them video access to the areas where their children learn and play. They watch video from their desktop computers or use the WatchMeGrow app from their phone or tablet.

Is it safe? Yes. All data is encrypted. To watch streaming video through WatchMeGrow, you must be approved by your childcare center. WatchMeGrow is the only streaming video service for childcare that provides this level of security.

Can anyone log in to see a classroom? No. You must be the approved parent of a currently enrolled child to use the system. To get access, parents of enrolled children sign up for WatchMeGrow. Administrators at the childcare center approve them before they can have access. If there are out-of-town grandparents or deployed parents who wish to use it, parents can set up additional access for them as sub-users on their accounts. Only families of children in a classroom have access to view that classroom. It is at the center's discretion which areas users can view, such as the child's classroom, common areas, and playgrounds.

How do families sign up? Parents of currently enrolled children can go to watchmegrow.com/signup to get started. More information is available at watchmegrow.com.



A loving and caring environment

Developing life-long friendships

The highest standards for safety and cleanliness



Teachers and staff that care for the children as if they were their own



Funshine Express - Buttercups

Our center's curriculum for infants and toddlers

Benefits for Your Child:

- Builds enthusiasm for lifelong learning
- Encourages socialization and cooperation
- Promotes hands-on learning
- Nurtures teamwork and respect
- Promotes concentration and patience
- Builds confidence, selfesteem, and autonomy
- Embraces diversity

Benefits to the Parents:

- Knowledge that your child is participating in a curriculum program aligned with the highest quality standards in early childhood education.
- Built-in family engagement to keep you involved in your child's learning. Each twomonth kit includes a Family Newsletter loaded with helpful information.
- Exceptionally prepared teachers are able to spend more time each day interacting with children and less time prepping and planning.

Your child's teacher will be offering a wide range of stimulating activities this year through the professionally designed Buttercups® curriculum program. The Buttercups program is for ages 0-3. Curriculum activities are designed to address established early learning goals and standards throughout the United States.

What will your child learn?

- Language/Literacy: Children develop skills in both listening and communicating and build a foundation for later reading and writing. Activities include songs, rhymes, fingerplays, reading picture books, and more.
- Physical/Health: Activities promote wellness and allow children to grow in using both small and large muscles. Playdough, water play, vigorous outdoor play, healthy snack ideas, and more are offered.
- Science/Math/Creative Arts: Children are encouraged to enjoy and explore a variety of art materials, investigate their world, and begin to engage in symbolic thinking. Activities include pretend play, sensory exploration, experimentation, self-expression, and more.
- Social/Emotional: Experiences are planned to help children develop relationships with adults and other children, learn more about themselves, recognize and express feelings, and begin to demonstrate self-regulation.
- Social Studies: Predictable routines and age-appropriate rules bring order to children's lives. Children will learn about their families, their child care setting, and the local culture and community.
- Approaches to Learning: Opportunities to build skills in this area are woven throughout all of the curriculum activities. Such activities focus on building memory and promoting curiosity, persistence, and problem-solving—skills that are critical for lifelong learning!

Funshine Express - Fireflies

Our center's curriculum for preschoolers

Benefits for Your Child:

- Builds enthusiasm for lifelong learning
- Encourages socialization and cooperation
- Promotes hands-on learning
- Nurtures teamwork and respect
- Promotes concentration and patience
- Builds confidence, selfesteem, and autonomy
- Embraces diversity

Benefits to the Parents:

- Knowledge that your child is participating in a curriculum program aligned with the highest quality standards in early childhood education.
- You will receive a monthly Family Newsletter that includes ideas to build upon the themes and concepts introduced, songs, a recipe, character development, and a few book suggestions.
- Exceptionally prepared teachers are able to spend more time each day interacting with children and less time prepping and planning.

What will your child learn?

throughout the United States.

Monthly kits are centered around two themes. Each day, your child's teacher will choose from a series of activities that promote growth and school readiness. Fireflies activities address eight developmental domains:

- Language/Literacy
- Social/Emotional
- Math
- Approaches to Learning
- Science
- Physical Development/Health
- Social Studies
- Creative Arts

Is Fireflies Developmentally Appropriate?

Your child's teacher will be offering a wide range of preschool

curriculum program. The Fireflies program is for ages 3-5. The

activities this year through our professionally designed Fireflies®

activities are designed to meet early learning standards established

The Fireflies curriculum is designed to be open-ended and flexible. It provides ideas that teachers can implement to ensure appropriateness. To a great extent, each teacher determines how the program is used in his/her setting.

As family members, you can support developmental appropriateness by following the lead of your child's teacher and being involved in their efforts. Pay attention to how your child matures and talk with them about what they are learning.

Meals and Nutrition

Nutrition

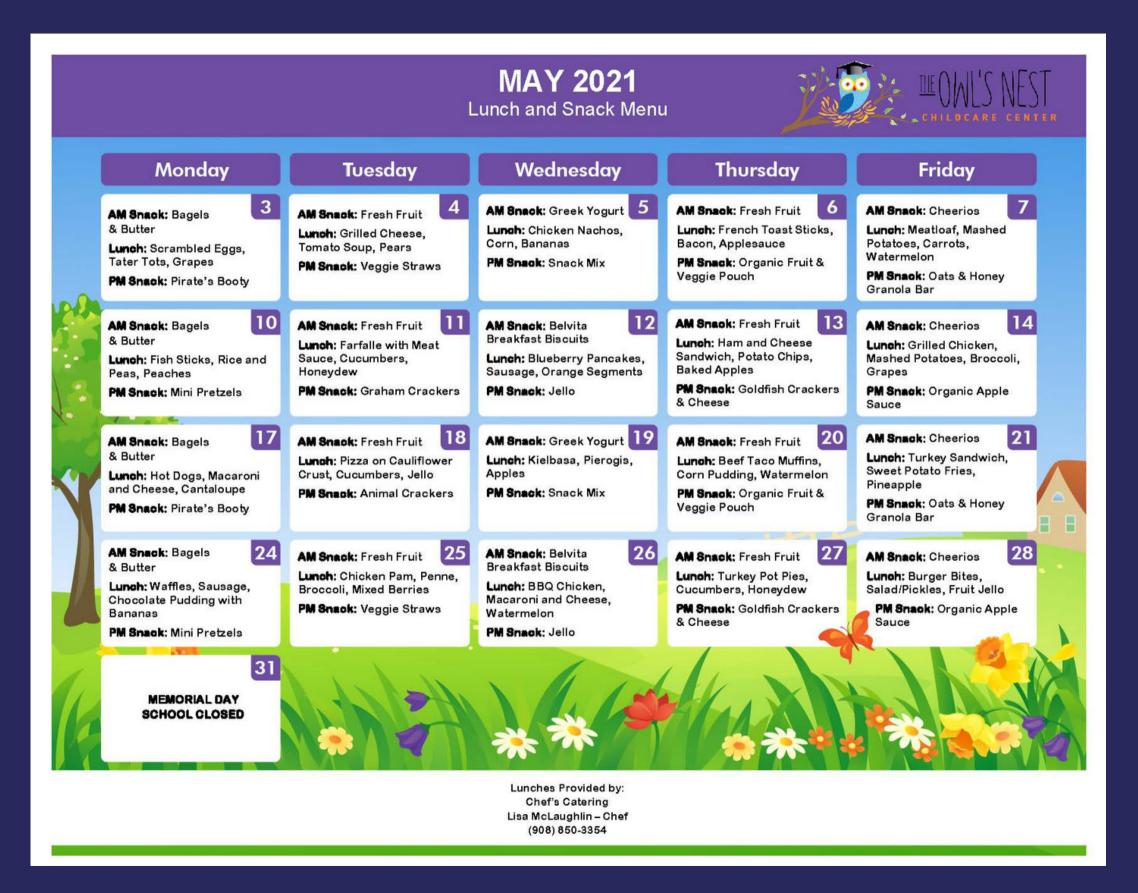
Your child will receive a healthy, complete and balanced catered lunch along with 2 snacks - all consisting of low-fat, low-sugar and nutritious ingredients. Our center is a peanut and tree nut free environment.

Snack and Lunch Included in Tuition

A nutritious morning snack, catered lunch, and an afternoon snack are included in tuition. Milk is served with lunch and bottled water is provided throughout the day. Lunches are provided by local chef, Lisa McLaughlin of Chef's Catering located in Columbia, NJ.

For more information on Chef's Catering, go to: https://www.chefscateringnj.com/

SAMPLE MENU



To view this month's menu, visit <u>www.theowlsnestchildcare.com/parent-corner.html</u>

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

What ages of children do you accept?

We are licensed for children ages 6 weeks to 13 years of age.

What are your hours of operation?

We are open Monday thru Friday from 6:30 am to 6:30 pm.

Do you provide part-time or drop in care?

While we do offer part-time enrollment, we do not accept drop ins at the moment.

Do you provide meals and snacks?

YES! We provide a morning snack, a catered lunch and an afternoon snack. Milk is provided with lunch and bottled water is provided throughout the day.

What security measures do you have in place?

Only staff members are permitted beyond the vestibule and into the center using biometric fingerprint scanning or their own unique pin number. Cameras are located in each classroom, facing the playground and at the front door.

What are your COVID-19 precautions?

We are implementing all CDC recommendations for childcare centers as well as the Guidance for New Jersey Child Care Facilities established by the New Jersey Department of Children and Families and the New Jersey Department of Health. For more information visit: https://theowlsnestchildcare.com/covid.html

Do you accept subsidies?

Yes! We accept subsidies through Norwescap. For more information visit: https://norwescap.org/education/child-and-family-resource-services/

Do you offer military discounts?

We are proud participants in Child Care Aware's Military Fee Assistance Program. For more information visit: https://www.childcareaware.org/fee-assistancerespite/

How do I register my child?

Once you have made the decision that you would like to be a part of our Nest Family, give us a call at (908) 362-5991 or email us at info@theowlsnestchildcare.com for a complete registration packet.

Weekly Tuition Rates

Effective August 30, 2021

- Registration Fee: \$75 per family (non-refundable)
- Deposit: \$150 per child (non-refundable)
- 10% discount on the 2nd child (discount applicable on oldest child)
- Full Day: any hours between
 6:30am 6:30pm

Full Day	5 days	4 days	3 days	2 days
Forest Room (Infants)	\$294	\$279	\$249	\$203
Barnyard Room (Toddler 1)	\$283	\$267	\$241	\$196
Ocean Room (Toddler 2)	\$273	\$260	\$232	\$188
Safari Room (Pre-K 1)	\$263	\$249	\$224	\$181
Owl Room (Pre-K 2)	\$258	\$245	\$219	\$178

for more information

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