

EARLY EDUCATION & CHILD CARE FACILITIES

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	CENTER	CAPACITY AND AGES	HOURS	ADMINISTRATOR	SERVICES
1	HOLYOKE/CHICOPEE/SPRINGFIELD HEAD START INC. 30 Madison Ave., Springfield, MA 01105 (413) 788-6522; www.hcsheadstart.org	1,325 4 weeks to 5 years	6:30 or 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (times vary by location)	Janis Santos	Full-year/full-day and school-year/part-day; summer migrant program; comprehensive early-childhood education for all-income families
2	SQUARE ONE 1 Federal St., Bldg. 101, Springfield, MA 01105 (413) 732-5183; www.startatsquareone.org	1,100 4 weeks to 12 years	6:30 or 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.	Joan Kagan	Three center-based educational programs in Springfield and Holyoke; multiple (before and after) school-age sites throughout Springfield; monitored home-based child-care providers in the Greater Springfield area; all programs aligned to EEC standards; parent-education, skill-building, and support groups; child-friendly health and wellness (LAUNCH) program
2	YMCA OF GREATER SPRINGFIELD 275 Chestnut St., Springfield, MA 01104 (413) 739-6951; www.springfieldy.org	1,100 4 weeks to 12 years	6 a.m. to 6 p.m. (hours vary by location)	Tom Ashe	Year-round educational programs at 19 locations in Springfield, Chicopee, Wilbraham, Monson, and Palmer; scholarships available
4	THE KIDS PLACE INC. 2149 Boston Road, Wilbraham, MA 01095 (413) 596-9509; www.thekidsplace.org	872 4 weeks to 8 years; some school age	7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.	Ronda Baptiste	Early education and care; year-round program; capacity includes sites in Wilbraham, Springfield, West Springfield, East Longmeadow, Feeding Hills, Westfield, Holyoke, and Bloomfield, Conn.
5	VALLEY OPPORTUNITY COUNCIL 300 High St., Holyoke, MA 01040 (413) 552-1559; www.masscap.org; www.valleyopp.com	650 Infant, toddler, preschool, and school age	6:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.	Mark Leonas Rae-Ann Rogers	Five centers in Holyoke and Chicopee; 87 licensed family child care homes throughout Hampden County; comprehensive services for infants, toddlers, preschoolers, and school-age children
6	GIGGLE GARDENS 627 State St., Springfield, MA 01109 (413) 439-0391; www.gigglegardens.com	454 12 months to 12 years	6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.	Kelly Westbrook	Educational programs; lessons tailored to each child's unique learning style; daily activities include singing, dance, reading, outdoor play, social development, story time, games, large and fine motor-skill development, circle time, counting, cooking, letter-recognition, character-building activities
7	EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTERS OF GREATER SPRINGFIELD 15 Catherine St., Springfield, MA 01109 (413) 732-9518; www.eccspfld.org	378 3 months to 5 years	7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.	James Ward	Early-childhood education curriculum and family-support programs; state-of-the-art facility including dance studio and observation booths for parents, teachers, and clinicians
8	THE ARBORS KIDS 999 Memorial Dr., Chicopee, MA 01020 (413) 593-6300; www.arborskids.com	271 (Chicopee, Springfield, East Longmeadow) Infant to 12	6:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.	Shad Hanrahan	Educational programs; infant, toddler, and preschool; after-school and before-school programs; cameras allow parents to view class remotely; summer camp
9	CHILDREN'S HOUSE INC. 720 Wilbraham Road, Springfield, MA 01109 (413) 782-4448; www.childrenshouseinc.org	200 8 weeks to 7 years	6:45 or 7 a.m. to 5:30 or 6 p.m., depending on location	Mary Larrivee	Educational programs; provides lunch and snacks for children; one Holyoke and two Springfield sites
10	SPRINGFIELD JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER Early Childhood Learning Center 1160 Dickinson St., Springfield, MA 01108 (413) 739-4715; www.springfieldjcc.org	179 15 months to 5 years	7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.	Debra Cohen	Full-day and part-day options; active learning centers; group circle activities; multi-media art projects; active indoor and outdoor play
11	KINDER CARE 28 Dwight St., Longmeadow, MA 01106 (413) 567-9264; www.kinder-care.com	125 6 weeks to 12 years (Springfield) 6 weeks to 10 years (Longmeadow)	6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.	Lori Nickerson	Capacity includes Springfield site in addition to Longmeadow location; educational programs include reading-ready programs and Kelsy's Learning Adventures
12	MAKE WAY FOR DUCKLINGS 455 Island Pond Road, Springfield, MA 01109 (413) 732-2182 20 Lathrop St., West Springfield, MA 01089; (413) 734-8979 www.makewayforducklingsnurseryschool.com	118 33 months to KG (Springfield) 33 months to 5 years (West Springfield)	Part- and full-time hours at both locations (school calendar only)	Ann Rogalski	Preschool and kindergarten classes; gym and music programs; half- and full-day care; Bodies in Motion, tae kwon do, and dance

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13	MITTINEAGUE METHODIST COMMUNITY PRESCHOOL 800 Amostown Road, West Springfield, MA 01089 (413) 736-2770; www.mmpskids.com	94 33 months to 7 years	Tuesday to Friday, 9 a.m. to noon or 1 p.m.	Christina Rolfe	Full developmental curriculum
14	NEW BEGINNINGS CHILDCARE CENTER Springfield Partners for Community Action 721 State St., Springfield, MA 01109 (413) 263-6500; www.springfieldpartnersinc.com	89 1 month to 5 years	6:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.	Heather Rose	Year-round care; licensed by the Mass. Department of Early Education and Care
15	CREATIVE KIDS INC. 1251 East Mountain Road, Westfield, MA 01085 (413) 568-9822; www.creativekidswestfield.com	78 15 months to 7 years	7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.	Frances Frere Sherri Morini	Educational preschool programs; spacious indoor activity room; open year-round; full- and half-day programs; toddler half-day nursery program; summer adventures
16	BRIGHTER BEGINNINGS 411 Granby Road, South Hadley, MA 01075 (413) 532-5303; www.brighterbeginningscc.com	72 6 weeks to 8 years	6:45 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.	Lillian Krause-Ely	Language-based curriculum; small groups in state-of-the-art facility; playground-like outdoor space
16	SIDE BY SIDE PRESCHOOL & CARE CENTER 27 Streiber Dr., Chicopee, MA 01020 (413) 532-2388	71 2 years, 9 months to 14 years	7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.	Lisa Martin Carole Grenier	Outdoor playground, providing children with a positive and supportive learning atmosphere; year-round educational programs; before- and after-school and summer programs; open enrollment; small classroom setting
17	ALL ABOUT LEARNING, LLC 400 Riverglade Dr., Amherst, MA 01003; (413) 256-0013 287 Russell St., Hadley, MA 01035; (413) 586-1313	70 2 months to preschool	7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.	Laura Feltman (Amherst) Melissa Dunphe (Hadley) Linda Bollinger (both)	Educational programs for infants, toddlers, and preschoolers; individual attention; weekly progress reports monitor growth and development of all students; specific goals for each child
18	LONGMEADOW MONTESSORI INTERNATIONALE 77 Longmeadow St., Longmeadow, MA 01106 (413) 567-1820; www.longmeadowmontessori.org	52 33 months to 6 years	7:45 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.	Joanne Hirsch	Primary program; kindergarten program; before- and after-school care; French program; arts and science
19	WOODSIDE CHILDREN'S CENTER 155 Woodside Ave., Amherst, MA 01002 (413) 253-2604	44 12 months to 5+ years	8 a.m. to 5 p.m.	Carolyn Clark	Educational programs; homework environment with access to outdoor activities
20	ARMORY SQUARE CHILD CARE INC. One Armory Square, Springfield, MA 01105 (413) 737-3455	40 2.9 months to 6 years	7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.	Charity Provost	Nonprofit facility on the campus of STCC; providing children with a positive and supportive learning environment