

EARLY EDUCATION & CHILD CARE FACILITIES

RANKED BY CAPACITY

	CENTER	CAPACITY AND AGES	HOURS	ADMINI- STRATOR	SERVICES
1	YMCA OF GREATER SPRINGFIELD 275 Chestnut St., Springfield, MA 01104 (413) 739-6955; www.springfieldy.org	1,100 4 weeks to 12 years	6 a.m. to 6 p.m. (hours vary by location)	Uriah Rodriguez	Year-round educational programs at 19 locations in Springfield, Chicopee, Wilbraham, and West Springfield; scholarships available
2	HOLYOKE/CHICOPEE/SPRINGFIELD HEAD START INC. 30 Madison Ave., Springfield, MA 01105 (413) 788-6522; www.hcsheadstart.org	1,000 4 weeks to 5 years	6:30 or 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (times vary by location)	Janis Santos	Full-day/full-year, part-day/school year, and migrant Head Start and early Head Start programming to eligible children and families living in the Greater Springfield area, including Holyoke, Chicopee, and Ludlow; new Child & Family Center at 145 Union St., Springfield, is a partnership with MGM Springfield
3	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.	Scott Peterson	Early education and care; year-round program; capacity includes sites in Wilbraham, Springfield, West Springfield, East Longmeadow, Westfield, and Holyoke
4	VALLEY OPPORTUNITY COUNCIL 300 High St., Holyoke, MA 01040 (413) 552-1559; www.valleyopp.com	751 Infant, toddler, pre-school, and school age	6:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.	Mark Leonas Rae-Ann Rogers	Seven centers in Holyoke and Chicopee; 88 licensed family child-care homes throughout Hampden County; comprehensive services for infants, toddlers, preschoolers, and school-age children
5	SQUARE ONE 1095 Main St., Floor 2, Springfield, MA 01103 (413) 732-5183; www.startatsquareone.org	500 (1,500 families in early learning) 4 weeks to 12 years	Center hours vary	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
6	GIGGLE GARDENS 627 State St., Springfield, MA 01109 (413) 439-0391; www.gigglegardens.com	454 1 month to 12 years	6:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.	Tasha Johnson	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	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
8	THE ARBORS KIDS 999 Memorial Dr., Chicopee, MA 01020; (413) 593-6300 126 Industrial Dr., East Longmeadow, MA 01028; (413) 224-1770 www.arborskids.com	190 Infant to 12 years	6:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.	Christina Rolfe, Amy White (Chicopee); Nicole Gebo, Jessica Thomas (East Longmeadow)	Educational programs; infant, toddler, and preschool; after-school and before-school programs; cameras allow parents to view class remotely; summer camp
9	ROOTS LEARNING CENTER 1029 North Road, Westfield MA 01085; (413) 538-4186 217 Root Road, Westfield, MA 01085; (413) 562-1767 www.rootslearningcenter.com	185 4 weeks to 5 years	7 a.m. to 6 p.m.	Stephanie Anderson Becky King	Infant program; toddler and preschool program; pre-kindergarten program; developmentally appropriate curriculum
10	SPRINGFIELD JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER Early Childhood Learning Center 1160 Dickinson St., Springfield, MA 01108 (413) 739-4715; www.springfieldjcc.org	179 6 weeks 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	OPEN ARMS CHILD CARE CENTER 568 College Highway, Southwick, MA 01077; (413) 569-5151 1504 Allen St., Springfield, MA 01118; (413) 782-7600 www.myopenarms.com	170 6 weeks to 12 years (Southwick) 6 weeks to 5 years Springfield)	7 a.m. to 6 p.m.	Kathie Couture (Southwick) Nicole Cava (Springfield)	Year-round care; Christian curriculum; educational programs; infant, toddler, preschool, and pre-K; before- and after-school programs; remote cameras; indoor and outdoor playscapes; weekly enrichments; library with reading specialist on staff (Southwick); flexible schedules; military and corporate discounts
12	AMHERST MONTESSORI SCHOOL 27 Pomeroy Lane, Amherst, MA 01002 (413) 253-3101; www.amherstmontessori.org	125 3 months to grade 6	8:15 a.m. to 3 p.m. (before and after care available until 5:30 p.m.)	Shelley Poreda Susanna Thompson	Montessori early education for 3 months through grade 6, featuring classrooms designed to support child development and a curriculum that integrates music, art, life skills, outdoor time, PE, Spanish, and more
13	NEW BEGINNINGS CHILDCARE CENTER Springfield Partners for Community Action 721 State St., Springfield, MA 01109 (413) 263-6500; www.springfieldpartnersinc.com	107 1 month to 5 years	6:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.	Iris Valentin Tabitha Desplaines	Year-round care; licensed by the Mass. Department of Early Education and Care
14	CREATIVE KIDS INC. 1251 East Mountain Road, Westfield, MA 01085 (413) 568-9822; www.creativekidswestfield.com	98 12 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
15	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 1 p.m.	Suzanne Schneider	Full developmental curriculum
16	KINDERCARE 28 Dwight Road., Longmeadow, MA 01106; (413) 567-9264 201 Cooley St., Springfield, MA 01128; (413) 783-2323 www.kindercare.com	91 6 weeks to 6 years (Springfield) 6 weeks to 5 years (Longmeadow)	6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.	Alison Tassinari (Springfield) Danielle Hawkins(Longmeadow)	Capacity includes Springfield site in addition to Longmeadow location; educational programs include reading-ready programs and Kelsy's Learning Adventures in Longmeadow
17	ALL ABOUT LEARNING, LLC 400 Riverglade Dr., Amherst, MA 01003; (413) 256-0013 287 Russell St., Hadley, MA 01035; (413) 586-1313 www.allaboutlearningmass.com	85 2 months to preschool	7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.	Leona Barrett Judith Wilder	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 777 Longmeadow St., Longmeadow, MA 01106 (413) 567-1820; www.longmeadowmontessori.org	82 33 months to 6 years	7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.	Mary Jo McNamara	Montessori-based preschool and kindergarten program promoting creativity, independence, and self-confidence, preparing children for a lifelong love of learning
19	BRIGHT FUTURES 74 Walnut St., Springfield, MA 01109 (413) 734-6300; www.choosebrightfutures.org	81 Infant to 12 years	6:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.	Deb Stasiowski	Educational programs; infant, toddler, and preschool; after-school and before-school programs; cameras allow parents to view class remotely; summer camp
20	MAKE WAY FOR DUCKLINGS 455 Island Pond Road, Springfield, MA 01109 (413) 732-2182; www.makewayforducklingsnurseryschool.com	75 33 months to KG (Springfield) 33 months to 5 years (West Springfield)	Part- and full-time hours at both locations (school calendar only)	Robin Forsberg	Preschool and kindergarten classes; gym and music programs; half- and full-day care; Bodies in Motion, tae kwon do, and dance; instructional basketball and soccer in Springfield
21	BRIGHTER BEGINNINGS 411 Granby Road, South Hadley, MA 01075 (413) 532-5303; www.brighterbeginningcc.com	74 6 weeks to 6 years	6:45 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.	Lillian Krause-Ely	Infant, toddler, preschool, full-year child care
22	SIDE BY SIDE PRESCHOOL & CHILD CARE CENTER 27 Streiber Dr., Chicopee, MA 01020 (413) 532-2388; www.sidebysidepreschool.com	71 2 years, 9 months to 13 years	7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.	Lisa Martin	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
23	WOODSIDE CHILDREN'S CENTER 155 Woodside Ave., Amherst, MA 01002 (413) 253-2604; www.woodsidechildrenscenter.org	41 Infant to 8 years	8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (full day) 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. (half day)	Jennifer Tucker	Full-year educational program that provides infant, toddler, and preschool programming
24	ARMORY SQUARE CHILD CARE INC. One Armory Square, Springfield, MA 01105; (413) 737-3455 www.stcc.edu/studentervices/childcare.asp	40 33 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
25	HAMPSHIRE COLLEGE EARLY LEARNING CENTER 893 West St., Amherst, MA 01002; (413) 559-5706 www.hampshire.edu/elc/the-early-learning-center	36 2 months to 5 years	8:15 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.	Casie Smith	Reggio Emilia-inspired campus; early-childhood program