

## Our Facility

The ARK is an early education facility for children ages 3 to 5. At the ARK, students enjoy access to age-appropriate outdoor playground equipment, classrooms integrated with technology including Smart Board interactive white boards, and three indoor movement studios.



## Our Staff

We make employing trained, experienced, talented, and caring staff members our priority. We provide ongoing professional development to our staff and encourage lifelong learning. The ARK maintains a professional educational setting and sets high standards and expectations for all teachers.

## Enrollment

The ARK uses a wait list to fill openings as they become available. Contact Miss Cook early to be placed on the wait list.



## Tuition and Billing

Tuition payments for the ARK Child Development Center are due prior to service. Families may choose either the monthly or weekly payment option. Free Family Membership to the Chambersburg YMCA is included during enrollment.

## Calendar and Hours

Hours: Monday - Friday, 6:30 AM to 5:30 PM

Days: Monday - Friday, year round

The ARK is closed for the following holidays:

Memorial Day Labor Day Thanksgiving Day

The ARK is closed the week of the Fourth of July (M-F) and from Christmas Eve through New Year's Day. Open days and operating hours are subject to change as needed.

## Contact Information

Chambersburg Memorial YMCA  
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# The ARK Child Development Center

## Philosophy

The ARK helps every child in our school learn and grow. Teachers provide the building blocks for early development focusing on educational advancement, healthy living, social responsibility, and Christian values.



At the ARK Child Development Center we:

- ☺ Provide a safe, nurturing, positive environment.
- ☺ Offer a wide variety of developmentally appropriate activities.
- ☺ Recognize and appreciate the individual needs and differences of children.
- ☺ Encourage children to be independent thinkers and doers!
- ☺ Hope to serve the community by helping all children reach their potential.



## Curriculum

Classrooms follow a theme-based curriculum in accordance with the Pennsylvania Common Core Academic Standards.

Classes utilize ***Let's Find Out and My Big World Scholastic Classroom Magazines*** that support all areas of the classroom curriculum. ***Let's Find Out and My Big World*** build a foundation for developing critical language and literacy skills through exciting nonfiction topics.

Our teachers plan their lessons around goals in six major areas of development:

- **Cognitive Development** - Advancement in early literacy, pre-writing, science and math skills, problem solving, following directions, and comprehension
- **Spiritual Development** - Promoting values and character development through stories, songs, and prayer
- **Physical Development** - Gross and fine motor skills, rhythm and movement, and health and safety
- **Health and Well-Being** - Healthy choices, safety, nutrition, and self-care
- **Creative Expression** - Appreciation for the arts, self-expression, and creativity
- **Social Development** - Creative play, interaction, self-reliance, and coping skills

## Classroom Activities

Swim Lessons

Rhythm and Dance

Creative Play

Arts and Crafts

Science Experiments

Academic Skill Building

Story Time

Organic Garden and Sustainability Education

Field Trips

Two Snacks Provided Daily

Afternoon Rest Time

