

# Wood County Early Childhood Services

Serving Wood County School Districts  
Eastwood ° North Baltimore ° Northwood



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## What is the Wood County Early Childhood Services?

The Wood County Early Childhood Program is a developmentally-appropriate, integrated program providing services to children with and without special needs from the ages of 3–5. Eastwood and North Baltimore preschoolers attend four half-days per week. Northwood preschoolers attend two full-days per week. All preschools follow their school district's calendar.

## What will children learn during a typical day?

Our curriculum is endorsed by the Ohio Department of Education. It is a play-based curriculum which supports children's learning in all areas of development and creates a foundation for school-age achievement. Your child will be involved in hands-on learning experiences where children cooperate, talk to peers and adults, make choices, and solve problems in a language-rich learning environment. Art, music, and motor activities are an integral part of the curriculum.

## What services are provided for children with special needs?

Children with identified special needs will have an individual educational plan addressing areas of delay. Support for learning is provided by a team of specialists which may include the preschool psychologist, speech therapist, vision specialist, audiologist, adaptive physical education teacher, occupational therapist, and physical therapist.

## How do I refer my child for a special needs evaluation?

If you have concerns about your child's speech, motor skills, behavior, etc., please phone us at 419-354-9010. Screenings and assessments may be conducted as appropriate. If delays are identified, children with special needs will be offered services via an IEP.

## For Typically-Developing children:

Typically-developing children who are **toilet trained** will be enrolled based on the vacancy available, or may be placed on the waiting list if all typical spots are filled. To request a Pre-Registration Form, call us at 419-354-9010 or visit [wcesc.org](http://wcesc.org) to download one.

## What makes our program unique?

- Collaboration between your local school system and the Wood County Educational Service Center.
- Curriculum aligned with Ohio's Early Learning Content Standards.
- Licensed by the Ohio Department of Education.
- Highly-trained teachers with master degrees.
- Teachers are certified in early childhood and special education.
- Children with and without special needs have an opportunity to learn and grow together.
- A highly-qualified team of specialists from the WCESC support children's learning and development.
- Child/teacher ratio based on Ohio Department of Education policy with at least 2 adults in each classroom.
- Curriculum appropriate to age and developmental level of child.
- Preschool classes are located within your school district.
- All incomes are welcome—children without special needs are charged tuition based on family size and income.

