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INTRODUCTION

There is a variety of early childhood programs available within Center Moriches and neighboring communities. The directory contains a listing of childcare centers and facilities for your child. It is important to make certain the program is appropriate for your child and meets his/her individual needs. It is recommended that you visit the facilities in which you are interested, inquire about the programs and policies, observe classes, and ask questions.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:

This directory is NOT an endorsement of any facility.

Facilities are listed in alphabetical order by town.

Facilities operating three hours or less are not required by New York State to be licensed.

Philosophy statements are briefly described. For more comprehensive information, please contact the individual schools.

WHAT TO LOOK FOR WHEN CHOOSING A PROGRAM FOR YOUR TWO TO FIVE YEAR OLD CHILD:

When child development specialists and early childhood educators are emphasizing the potential damage to children's development, if they are in pre-school programs that are not appropriate. Young children learn differently than older children; they learn best from their own experiences and from exploring real objects not from "lessons" or sitting at desks and tables and being "taught". According to the National Association for the Education of Young Children, an appropriate pre-school classroom is one in which:

1. There are a number of interest areas (blocks, family center, creative art area, quiet book area, table games, water and sand table, etc).
2. Children spend much of their time engaging in “hands on” activities of their choice.
3. Children engage in art activities freely making their own choices of materials to be used, rather than using dittos or following directions to make patterned crafts and projects.
4. Children are developing their language abilities through conversations, looking at books, dictating stories, being read to, etc., rather than through dittos, flash cards, or alphabet drills.
5. Children are developing their perceptual skills by interacting with real objects such as blocks, pegs, puzzles, etc.
6. Children have many opportunities to be physically active.
7. Positive guidance techniques are used rather than inappropriate punishment and scolding.
8. Activities are designed with the understanding that children have different levels of ability, development, and learning styles.
9. Children who are present for a full day session are served lunch and given a naptime.
10. Is it licensed by New York State Department of Social Services if operating for more than three hours per day?
11. Is licensed by New York State Department of Education if there is a third grade?

NURSERY SCHOOL PROVIDES EDUCATIONAL
BACKBONE FOR EVERY CHILD:

(Reprinted from Dan's Paper, September 4, 1998)

A child's first year in nursery school is one of the most important experiences he or she will have. It is the first introduction to the world of education. The experience should be positive so the child will have a foundation to build upon and look forward to future school environments. Parents can help their children ease into a classroom setting by practicing the guidelines outlined below. These suggestions are offered by the Director of a large nursery school. She has found these methods to be most effective in helping most young children adjust to separation anxieties in a nursery school program.

ENROLLMENT

Once a parent has made a decision to enroll a child in a pre-school, the parent must display a "positive attitude" to the child about this decision.

When parents visit a school with the thought of enrolling, they should avoid asking the young child whether he or she "likes the school". The parents are the ones making the decision, according to whether the school is licensed, staff's credentials, program content, cleanliness of the classrooms, teacher/child ratio and of course, tuition costs. These aspects are far too complicated to a child to comprehend. Asking a child "Is this the school you want to go to?" as they peek into the classroom for five to ten minutes, should not be considered.

What does the parent do if the child says "no" and the parent feels that this is the right school for the child? Never ask unless you know you are planning to leave this decision up to your child. Children should hear about all the fun things they will do at school and the new friends they will play with. Parents should avoid telling the child "If you don't like it here, the teacher will call me up and you don't have to stay." This statement

sends negative messages to the child. Does this mean there is something not to like here, the child might wonder? Many children will cry when the parent leaves them for the first time in pre-school. This is perfectly normal. The Director relates that it takes most children six to eight sessions at school before they begin to feel comfortable with school, the teacher, and their new friends.

Never tell your child that you are doing something exciting while they are in pre-school. Exciting for a young child might be going to the mall or visiting Grandma. They think of the toy store, the ice cream shop or having cookies and milk at Grandma's house. Tell your child you are going home to make the beds or vacuum the house. They will be more content knowing they are having a better time playing at school.

When it is time to pick up your child, be prompt. There is nothing worse for young children than to have all their friends go home and they are left waiting for Mommy to come. When you arrive to pick up your child, be sure to gather up all your child's belongings and leave the classroom within a short period. Some children want to re-do a puzzle they did or pull out a game to show Mom. Dismissal time is a hectic time and the staff appreciates the parents helping departure time to be as effective as possible. Avoid letting younger siblings roam around the room, taking items off the shelves while the staff is tending to the older child. Most classrooms have small materials that are dangerous and not appropriate for your infant or toddler. Staff cannot be expected to watch your younger child while they are busy with their regular duties. After dismissal, it is time for the teachers to clean the room, have lunch, and prepare for the afternoon classes. Some staff may have to leave for personal or family activities after school. Be considerate to both your child and the teaching staff. There may be times that traffic or unexpected delays may arise, but do your best to keep these at a minimum to relieve your child's anxieties.

CHILD'S WORK

How often have we asked our children "What did you do in school today?" I am guilty of that myself. If I didn't see a test paper, a drawing, or some filled-in dittos, I thought they probably did not have a productive day. A child's pre-school day is totally different, therefore, there may not be tangible proof of them having "worked" at something during the day. A pre-school child can spend a morning filled with a host of activities that might not include a specific art project to take home. A morning might begin with circle time, calendar and a story being read to them. They may have baked muffins, participated in gross motor activities in the gym, played a lotto game, built a castle with legos, planted seeds in a window box and then had a snack. A full day was enjoyed at school without a piece of paper to hand to Mom or Dad when they are picked up.

On the car ride home, parents should ask about his or her favorite activities. If you have selected the right program for your child, the teacher can relate to how your child is doing in the pre-school program. There is a quotation the Director found in an early education publication that she posted on the bulletin board in each classroom. It really says it all "Childhood should be a journey, not a race". This is something all parents should keep in mind when enrolling a child in pre-school and to keep in prospective their expectations for their young child.

Newsletters are helpful for parents to find out in more detail about upcoming units and what the child did that week. Look for upcoming events such as school picture day, planned trips or conferences. Nursery schools should have parent/teacher conference days set aside during the school year.

TOWN OF CALVERTON

NAME OF FACILITY:

LYRICAL CHILDREN'S PRE-SCHOOL & LEARNING CENTER

LOCATION/MAILING ADDRESS:

4492 Middle Country Road, Calverton, New York 11933

PHONE NUMBER:

(631) 208-4003

WEBSITE:

www.lyricalchildren.com

CONTACT PERSON:

Marie or Deanna

PROGRAM/PHILOSOPHY:

Our "Hands On" Curriculum engages children in developmentally appropriate activities to honor their personal learning styles. Preschool curriculum includes "Music Together" and "Handwriting without Tears". Our Art activities focus on the process not the product. We include computer station, imaginative play, sand and water, learning centers, kindergarten readiness, science exploration, pre-math activities and an outside playground.

AGES OF CHILDREN ACCOMMODATED:

Nursery School Program – Ages 2 to 3 years old

Pre-K Program – Ages 4 to 5 years old

PM Art Exploration Class – Ages 2-1/2 to 6 years old

Handwriting Without Tears Tutoring – 4 year olds (PreK)

Break Time Club – available between 12:15pm and 3:00pm (M,W,F)

(sitting on hourly basis)

Potty trained - not necessary.

Yoga Classes for children/Sign Language Classes/Piano Kids

DAYS AND HOURS OF PROGRAM:

Preschool Programs:

Monday through Friday – 9:00am to 11:45am – AM session
12:15pm to 3:00pm – PM session

Enrichment classes – Times vary according to program. Check calendar on website.

ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS:

Available for birthday parties on weekends.

Parent/Child “Music Together” classes offered (newborns through 5 years) in Calverton and Riverhead.

Piano Kid’s classes in Calverton. (Ages 4 and up)

FEE RATE:

Call facility for pricing, and Enrichment Programs.

MEALS:

Snack provided.

TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE:

Parents must supply transportation.

LICENSING AND STATE CERTIFICATIONS:

CPR/First Aid certified

NAEYC affiliated

Suffolk Child Care Council affiliated

Pre-K teacher – Degreed and Certified

All teachers attend regular classes with Suffolk Child Care Council

RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:

All denominations are welcome.

TOWN OF CENTER MORICHES

NAME OF FACILITY:
GENTLE HEARTS PRESCHOOL

LOCATION ADDRESS:
Presbyterian Church of the Moriches
263 Main Street, Center Moriches, New York 11934

MAILING ADDRESS:
P.O. Box 416, Center Moriches, NY 11934

PHONE NUMBER:
(631) 878-3562
e-mail: ellen@gentleheartscm.com
web: www.gentleheartscm.com

CONTACT PERSON:
Ellen Frazzetta

PROGRAM/PHILOSOPHY:
The main emphasis of our program is to encourage self-esteem and develop social skills in a relaxed and loving atmosphere. We nurture an "I CAN" attitude by fostering independence. Children are given choices in much of what they do. We offer Pre-K readiness along with development of large and small motor skills. There is one teacher and two aides in each class. Our maximum ratio is 6 children to 1 teacher in each class.

AGES OF CHILDREN ACCOMMODATED:
Children ages 2 to 5 years old.

DAYS AND HOURS OF PROGRAM:
Program runs from September to June - Monday through Friday
AM sessions – 9:30am to 12:00pm
PM sessions – 12:30pm to 3:00pm
Class schedules may be subject to change.

FEE RATE:

Please call facility for pricing and ask Director about additional session schedule.

MEALS:

Snacks provided by Gentle Hearts.

TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE:

Parents must supply transportation.

LICENSING & STATE CERTIFICATION:

New York State certified teacher.

RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:

All denominations welcome. We do say "Grace" at snack time. We celebrate Christmas, Easter, President's Day, Martin Luther King Day, Thanksgiving, etc. – all holidays and celebration days.

NAME OF FACILITY:
KIDNASTICS, INC.

LOCATION/MAILING ADDRESS:
23 Frowein Road, Suite 2, Center Moriches, NY 11935

PHONE NUMBER:
(631) 874-6990

WEBSITE:
www.kidslovekidnastics.com

CONTACT PERSON:
Gail Leskody

PROGRAM/PHILOSOPHY:
We here at Kidnastics believe that the #1 goal as an educator is to instill a positive self-esteem with each child. We accomplish this mission through encouragement and reinforcement for each child as an individual. Our curriculum consists of academic lessons that focus on shape, color, number and letter recognition, math, social studies, and science concepts. We incorporate various activities and games that enhance fine and gross motor development. We always seek to provide children with the social skills and emotional values that will allow them to be confident and successful throughout their school years.

AGES OF CHILDREN ACCOMMODATED:
2 years to 5 years

DAY(S) AND HOUR(S) OF PROGRAM:
Monday through Friday
Nursery School
9:15am to 11:45am - am session
12:15pm to 2:45pm – pm session
Monday to Sunday – anytime babysitting – call for hours

FEE RATE:

Please call facility for pricing.

MEALS/SNACKS:

Parents supply lunch and snacks.

TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE:

Parents provide transportation.

LICENSING AND STATE CERTIFICATIONS:

State certified teachers.

RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:

All denominations welcome.

OTHER:

Gymnastics Infant Exercise:

6 to 12 months – Crawlers

12-18 months – Wee Walkers

18-24 months – Tots Tumbling

2 to 2-1/2 years – Just Us Two (with parent)

2 to 2-1/2 years – On Our Own (without parent)

3 years and up – Flipsters

Weekly classes – 8 weeks – 55 minutes a week

Developmental exercise and play, music, and special equipment to provide work on fine and gross motor skills.

NAME OF FACILITY:

KID'S WORLD NURSERY SCHOOL

LOCATION/MAILING ADDRESS:

21 Center Court, Center Moriches, New York 11934

PHONE NUMBER:

(631) 874-6210

CONTACT PERSON:

Wendy Watson

PROGRAM/PHILOSOPHY:

This school strongly believes that the happiness and well being of the child comes first. A well-structured curriculum is planned taking into consideration each specific age group. We incorporate fun and socialization with learning, preparing each child for the next year's class and their eventual entrance into Kindergarten. Age appropriate activities are planned, never underestimating the ability of the small child, thus encouraging independence and learning through trial and error. This is a hands-on school; our students do their own work. Our philosophy is "I will try", never "I can't". Through encouragement and positive reinforcement, each child develops at their own pace, acquiring confidence and self-esteem. We basically follow the rule that we should treat each other as we would like to be treated.

Our indoor and outdoor playgrounds insure a visit to the playground all year.

AGES OF CHILDREN ACCOMMODATED:

Children 2.5 years through 5 years old

DAYS AND HOURS OF PROGRAM:

Program runs 7:30am to 6:00pm all year round.

Camp program in July and August.

Two year old separation program:

Tuesday and Thursday - 9:15am to 11:30am

Children DO NOT have to be toilet trained for this program.

Three year old program:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00am to 11:30am OR

12pm to 2:30pm OR 9:00am to 2:30pm OR

Tuesday, Thursday 12:00pm to 2:30pm - Full time care available.

Four year old program:

9:00am to 11:30am OR 12:00pm to 2:30pm OR Full Day

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday - AM or PM

OR all day – 9:00am to 2:30pm

(3, 4 or 5 days) - Full time care available.

FEE RATE:

Please call facility for pricing.

MEALS:

Full day students – parents provide lunch.

Nutritional snack provided by facility.

After care snack provided by parents.

TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE:

Parents must supply transportation.

LICENSING AND STATE CERTIFICATION:

New York State licensed by Office of Children and Family Services.

Member of Child Care Council of Suffolk County.

Teachers are CPR and First Aid certified.

Pre-K teacher/Director are New York State certified.

RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:

All denominations welcome.

NAME OF FACILITY:
OUR LADY QUEEN OF APOSTLES SCHOOL

LOCATION/MAILING ADDRESS:
2 St. Johns Place
Center Moriches, New York 11934

PHONE NUMBER:
(631) 878-1033

FAX NUMBER:
(631) 878-1059

WEBSITE:
www.olqany.org

CONTACT PERSON:
Stacie Stueber, Principal

PROGRAM/PHILOSOPHY:
OLQA PreK offers an atmosphere of learning in a warm, safe and structured setting which fosters the development of the whole child. It is our firm belief that every child is born with creative potential, the drive to learn and the right to be treated as an individual. We provide a strong foundation for a child's learning and spiritual development. As a child's sense of self worth grows, they learn to take care of themselves and help others. We believe that learning is an exciting process of discovery, leading to concentration, self-discipline, and a love of learning.

AGES OF CHILDREN ACCOMMODATED:
3 and 4 years old

DAY(S) AND HOUR(S) OF PROGRAM:
Monday to Friday - 8:30am to 2:30pm

OPTIONS FOR 3 & 4 YEAR OLDS:

2, 3 or 5 days

Morning session – 8:30am to 11:30am or

Afternoon session – 11:30am to 2:30pm or

Full day – 8:30am to 2:30pm

FEE RATE:

Please call facility for pricing.

MEALS/SNACKS:

Students must provide their own snacks.

Milk available for purchase - .50cents

TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE:

Parents must provide transportation.

LICENSING AND STATE CERTIFICATIONS:

OLQA is licensed by New York State and Middle States Accredited

RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:

Catholic – All denominations are welcome.

OTHER:

Before and after program

Gym, music and Spanish weekly

Hot lunch program available on full days

Smart board in classrooms

NAME OF FACILITY:

RED ROBIN EAST COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL

LOCATION/MAILING ADDRESS:

184 Main Street
Center Moriches, New York 11934

PHONE NUMBER:

(631) 874-0399- School
(631) 878-4773 - Office

CONTACT PERSON:

Eric Glodstein/Vera Trick

NEW STUDENTS: Ask about our special one month free promotion.

PROGRAM/PHILOSOPHY:

Imagine a Victorian country home set within 2 sprawling acres of manicured fields, a fruit orchard, a wealth of specimen trees and plants, two inspiring playgrounds, a castle in the sky tree house, a rustic outdoor amphitheater, a vegetable garden and mini-animal farm where children are able to run, explore and discover. This diverse and relatively rich setting is home to Red Robin East Country Day School. For the past 32 years, this home has become the premiere school of choice for numerous families from Center Moriches, East Moriches, Manorville and the surrounding local communities.

The wonders and magic of this unique place is not a haphazard accident. It is a place created with children in mind. The equipment and the fields are age appropriate. The indoor and outdoor Learning Centers are all hands on and developmentally appropriate.

Our philosophy is simple. Create a warm, loving and respectful environment where each child's needs are treated individually. Each child's learning is guided by a mature and experienced teacher. We

understand that every child is unique and thereby create a program that stimulates and nurtures one child at a time. Every child leaves Red Robin East feeling confident and prepared to take on what lies ahead for them.

The school's curriculum includes alphabet and word recognition, writing workshops, language arts, math skills, reading readiness, hands on science, and foreign languages including Italian and Spanish. Children are introduced to American Sign Language for the deaf, history, baking, Beethoven, Vivaldi and lots more.

Academically advanced children may benefit from our enrichment program including reading, writing and math. We are strong advocates of teaching children to read at a young age and hence, our program fosters reading skills. Our experience tells us that the children really enjoy it and are acquiring the skills they need for Kindergarten and beyond. Red Robin East hosts the largest Literacy Fair on the East End that extols the satisfaction and enjoyment of reading at any age. *Literacy For Everyone* is the pinnacle of our reading program that asserts reading is an essential skill that should be enjoyed by everyone. The event is hosted on the 3rd Saturday in January, annually.

Additionally, the school hosts a Fall Harvest Fest, Winter Holiday Party, Mother's Day Tea and Spring Field Day for the students and their entire families. These events strengthen the bond between the school and the student's family for educating and shaping young minds. At Red Robin East raising and educating children is a partnership that we take seriously.

Red Robin East invites prospective families and registered families to come and visit at any time and see their children's progress. Red Robin East hosts an open door policy. Prospective families can visit while the school is in session in a relaxed and non-pressured environment. Families can visit as often as they wish to determine if Red Robin East is the ideal environment for their child. Visiting and enrollment starts as early as October for the following school year.

AGES OF CHILDREN ACCOMMODATED:

Children 2 years 9 months to 5 years old

DAYS AND HOURS OF PROGRAM:

Program runs from September through June

Monday through Friday - Before and after-school care available

AM session - 8:35am to 11:25am and PM session - 12:35pm to 3:25pm

Extended day session – 8:35am to 2:00pm or 10:00am to 3:25pm

Full day session – 8:35am to 3:25pm

FEE RATE:

Please call facility for pricing.

MEALS:

Snacks consisting of a variety of fresh fruit and vegetables, healthful crackers, cookies, and baked goods are provided by Red Robin East in the morning and the afternoon. Full day students bring lunch. A microwave is available for heating meals.

TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE:

Parents must supply transportation.

LICENSING AND STATE CERTIFICATION:

Licensed by New York State Department of Child and Family Services

Certified by Department of Health

Members of Suffolk Child Care Council

Members of the National Association for the Education Young Children

All teachers certified in CPR and First Aid

Director is a certified Instructor/Trainer in CPR, First Aid, Lifeguard

Savings and Water Safety Instructor.

Above applies to both the school facility and the summer camp facility.

RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: All denominations welcome.

RED ROBIN EAST DAY CAMP is situated on a magnificent estate that hosts the Red Robin East Country Day School, and is an outdoor summer program of exploration, friendship and fun. There are two heated pools on site along with ball fields, a nature center, arts and crafts and performing arts centers. Swim instruction is one of the cornerstones of the Red Robin camp experience.

In small group or one-on-one instruction, campers enjoy swimming lessons guided by experienced American Red Cross certified Lifeguards and Water Safety Instructors. Children as young as 2.5, 3, 4 and 5 years of age are given one-on-one instruction while learning the basics and stroke development, breathing and kicking. Older children learn to refine their strokes and learn advanced techniques.

The children are guided in competitive sports, drama, and creative arts by teachers and upper level college students training to be teachers. Additionally, older campers may focus on tennis, golf, wood working, ceramics and magic. Younger campers experience a well rounded age appropriate blend of activities.

Children especially enjoy lunch served family style under our spectacular tent where each day the campers gather for camp traditions of singing, cheering, laughter and camaraderie of fellow campers and staff. EVERY DAY AT RED ROBIN IS A PARTY. There are surprise activities each day, special events and spirit days.

Our program is FLEXIBLE to meet your needs. Families may select from our ½ day program offered to first time campers and children under the age of 6 from 9:00am to 1:00pm or the full day program from 9:00am to 3:45pm. Additionally, parents may choose a full week or partial week

schedule and have the flexibility to choose their weeks of attendance. Camp begins June 25, 2012. The full session is 8 weeks. Additionally there is an extended day program for working parents.

We have structured our Pre-K Program to be a condensed version of the full and half-day programs which our other campers experience. All daily activities will be age appropriate and includes instructional swimming, arts and crafts, sports and snack time. In addition, campers will enjoy weekly themes such as Disney Day, Pirates, Jungle Book, Princess and special events such as Crazy Hat Day, Water Rally, Carnival Day, Olympics and so much more! The children will feel the same warm and loving environment at camp as they do all year long at school. We will use the Main House so the children will feel comfortable in their surroundings and first time campers won't feel overwhelmed. Families may select 2, 3 or 5 day schedules from 9:00am to 1:00pm.

Priority Enrollment begins August 2011 for the following summer. Special registration discounts are offered throughout the year. Please call the office for details. Enrollment continues until camper age groups are filled. Families taking advantage of Priority Enrollment are offered a 25% discount on tuition. A \$69.00 registration fee applies to all camp applications. Call the camp office any day between 10:00am and 3:00pm to schedule a tour and get additional information.

What our parents say:

“I like that we do not have to sign up for the whole summer, there's a lot of flexibility in what we can choose.”

“As a working parent, I feel very comfortable with whom I am leaving my children. Additionally, Red Robin East gives me the convenience of dropping off my children early.”

“My boys love the variety of sports offered every day at Red Robin East.”

Olympia Swim School

Swim instruction is one of the cornerstones of the Red Robin camp experience. Can't attend camp? For those parents desiring additional swim instruction for their children, Red Robin offers both semi-private (3:1) and private (1:1) Swim Lessons with Red Robin certified instructors. Each child is taught according to his/her comfort level in and around the water. Each lesson will be approximately 40 minutes in duration.

NAME OF FACILITY:
SOUTH SHORE KIDS

LOCATION ADDRESS:
89 Bernstein Boulevard (between Frowein Road and Sunrise Highway)
Center Moriches, New York 11934

MAILING ADDRESS:
P.O. Box 136
East Moriches, New York 11940

PHONE NUMBER:
(631) 874-2223

CONTACT PERSON:
Anna Ward

PROGRAM/PHILOSOPHY:
We are New York State licensed. The school's director has 35 years experience. In addition to the director, the school has three child care providers that are all CPR and automatic external defibrillator certified. The entire staff has been fingerprinted, receive yearly physicals, and tine tests. They partake in yearly out-service education.

Our facility is nestled on an acre of property with a huge fenced-in play area. Our school emulates safety, cleanliness and organization. We have an excellent reputation spanning over 35 years! We follow all required regulations. We operate year round.

We want your child to be happy, secure and confident while in our care. This will enable us to provide an environment of social, educational and creative skills to develop naturally. We also have monthly themes, teach phonics and have a Pre-K readiness program.

AGES OF CHILDREN ACCOMMODATED:

Children ages 1 year through 9 years old
Children DO NOT have to be toilet trained.

DAYS AND HOURS OF PROGRAM:

Program runs year round
Day care hours - Monday through Friday – 7:30am to 5:30pm
Nursery school hours – Monday through Friday – flexible days and hours
given upon availability.
Before and after-school programs available upon request.

FEE RATE:

Please call facility for pricing.
NO registration fee
Sibling discounts
NO contracts

MEALS:

AM snack
Lunch
Two PM energy booster snacks

TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE:

Transportation for school-age children for before and after-school care
provided through your school district. Parent must contact their individual
school district to make arrangements for transportation. Parents must
provide transportation for non school-age children.

RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:

All denominations welcome.

NAME OF FACILITY:

SUNSHINE NURSERY SCHOOL
(The Leonard E. Burket Christian School)

LOCATION/MAILING ADDRESS:

34 Oak Street
Center Moriches, New York 11934

PHONE NUMBER:

(631) 878-1727

CONTACT PERSON:

Reverend Dominick Scibetta
Risa Favichia – Nursery School Director

PROGRAM/PHILOSOPHY:

Children are taught letters, numbers, shapes, colors, nursery rhymes, safety and manners, and the five senses. Indoor and outdoor playing and baking experiences are among the activities the children are able to do.

AGES OF CHILDREN ACCOMMODATED:

Tuesday and Thursday – 3 year olds – ½ day
Monday, Wednesday and Friday – 4 year olds – All day

DAYS AND HOURS OF PROGRAM:

Program runs September through June
Monday through Friday
AM session – 9:00am to 11:30am OR
PM for 3's only 12:30pm to 3:00pm
Full day – 9:00am to 3:00pm

FEE RATE:

Please call facility for pricing.

MEALS:

Snacks are provided by the facility.

TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE:

Parents must provide transportation.

RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:

Assemblies of God

TOWN OF EAST MORICHES

NAME OF FACILITY:
OVER THE RAINBOW PRE-SCHOOL

LOCATION/MAILING ADDRESS:
130B Montauk Highway
East Moriches, New York 11940

PHONE NUMBER:
(631) 874-4042

CONTACT PERSON:
Joella Poulos or Jeanna DeGroot

E-MAIL ADDRESS:
OTRPRE@yahoo.com

WEBSITE:
Overtherainbowpreschooleast.com

PROGRAM/PHILOSOPHY:
The primary goal of Over the Rainbow Pre-School is to provide a safe, loving and caring environment in which children can learn and grow. It is designed to develop and nurture young children socially, academically, physically and emotionally. Love, compassion, goodness, understanding and kindness are fostered through everyday activities.

EDUCATIONAL PHILOSOPHY:
Children learn best in an environment where they feel safe. They need to be surrounded by adults who care about them and encourage them to be successful and self-confident. Opportunities must be provided to encourage and enhance language development, both receptive and expressive. Children are given opportunities to make choices, judgments, and decisions on their own. Hands-on exploration of materials and concepts will be provided on a daily basis. The development of gross

motor coordination must be accomplished by encouraging children to try activities where they climb, crawl, jump, run, throw and catch a ball, etc.

Fine motor coordination should be fostered through use of manipulatives that allow children to lace, string beads, handle pegs, complete puzzles, work with play dough, stack toys, cut with scissors, etc.

Handwriting Without Tears aims to make legible and fluent handwriting an easy and automatic skill. The program works for children because it is easy to teach and learn. It also reduces the need for one-on-one time and remediation. Preschool is a crucial time when children mainly focus on “play-based hands-on” readiness and activities and build their foundation for lifelong learning. These easy methods will set your child for a formal instruction in kindergarten.

All experiences and activities must be developmentally appropriate and tailored to the individual needs of the children as much as can be accomplished in a two hour forty-five minute class.

AGES OF CHILDREN ACCOMMODATED:

Children ages 2 years 6 months through 4 years turning 5

DAYS AND HOURS OF PROGRAM:

Program runs from September through June

Monday through Friday

AM session – 9:15am to 12:00pm

Lunchbox Program – Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

12:15pm to 2:00pm

PM session – 12:30pm to 3:15pm

FEE RATE:

Please call facility for pricing.

MEALS:

Snacks and juice provided by facility.

COOKING ACTIVITY:

A hands-on cooking activity takes place monthly.

TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE:

Parents must provide transportation.

RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:

All denominations welcome.

OTHER:

Over the Rainbow Pre-School admits children of any race, color, national and ethnic origin. The facility also welcomes PT/OT, Speech Teachers and SEIT's to participate at our school during class time.

Parents e-mail alerts:

When you sign up for our Parent E-Mail Alert, you will receive e-mails reminding you of special days, activities and events. You also will receive e-mails that pertain to school closings due to inclement weather.

NAME OF FACILITY:
SUNRISE 2 SUNSET DAYCARE

LOCATION/MAILING ADDRESS:
47 Locust Avenue, East Moriches, New York 11940

PHONE NUMBER:
(631) 874-3324

CONTACT PERSON:
Judy Chiorando

PROGRAM/PHILOSOPHY:
This is a home-based family daycare center that provides a safe, loving and nurturing environment. Age appropriate activities and learning experiences are provided in a supportive and creative atmosphere.

AGES OF CHILDREN ACCOMMODATED:
Children 6 weeks to 12 years old

DAYS AND HOURS OF PROGRAM:
School year schedule
Monday through Friday
7:00am to 4:30pm

FEE RATE:
Please call facility for pricing.

MEALS:
Boxed lunches must be provided by parent.
Baby formula must be provided by parent.

TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE:
Parents must supply transportation.

LICENSING AND STATE CERTIFICATION:
New York State licensed family daycare
Registered with Child Care Council of Suffolk

RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:
All denominations welcome.

TOWN OF SPEONK

NAME OF FACILITY:

WISHING STAR DAY CARE

Where kids can be kids and parents can have peace of mind.
(Established 1996)

LOCATION/MAILING ADDRESS:

453 Moriches Middle Island Road (between Sunrise Highway and the LIE)
Manorville, New York 11949

PHONE NUMBER:

(631) 878-0853

CONTACT PERSON:

Susan Ellen Langellotti

PROGRAM/PHILOSOPHY:

This is a home-based family oriented day care. When you are away, your child will be safe and secure in a loving, nurturing environment. Age appropriate activities include: music and movement, singing, stories and rhymes, painting, coloring and so much more! At Wishing Star Day Care, your child will be respected and treated as the unique individual he/she truly is.

AGES OF CHILDREN ACCOMMODATED:

Children 6 weeks to 12 years old

I limit my enrollment for lots of individual attention.

Parents MUST provide diapers, supplies and formula for infants.

Parents MUST supply all meals and snacks for their child.

DAYS AND HOURS OF PROGRAM:

Program runs year round

Monday through Friday

7:30am to 4:00pm

Before and after school care available for South Manor/Dayton schools.

FEE RATE:

Please call facility for pricing.

TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE:

Before and after-school pick-up and drop-off within the South Manor school district.

LICENSING AND STATE CERTIFICATION:

New York State Department of Education
Registered with the Child Care Council of Suffolk

RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:

All denominations welcome.

TOWN OF MASTIC BEACH

NAME OF FACILITY:

RUBBER DUCKY CHILD CARE INC.

LOCATION/MAILING ADDRESS:

132 Monroe Drive, Mastic Beach, New York 11951
(South of Neighborhood Road)

10 Victory Avenue North, Shirley, New York 11967
(North of Sunrise - 1 block west of William Floyd)

1723 North Ocean Avenue, Medford, New York 11763
(One block south of LIE)

PHONE NUMBER:

(631) 654-DUCK (3825) All calls

CONTACT PERSON:

Jessy

WEBSITE: Rubberduckychildcare.com

PROGRAM/PHILOSOPHY:

We insure each child is cared for in a loving, safe and clean environment. We offer age appropriate toys and learning materials to keep the children entertained. We have circle time each day to help the children learn about their world, sing songs, dance and learn the basic skills necessary for their education and to build up their self-esteem.

AGES OF CHILDREN ACCOMMODATED:

We care for children 6 weeks to 11 years old depending on availability.

DAYS AND HOURS OF PROGRAM:

Program runs year round - Closed major holidays
Monday through Friday - 6:30am to 6:00pm

FEE RATE: See Director for rates at these locations. D.S.S. children always accepted.

MEALS:

All meals, snacks and project supplies provided by facility.

TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE:

Transportation for school-age children for before and after-care provided by Tangier Smith School and William Floyd Elementary Schools.

Parents must supply transportation to and from daycare.

LICENSING AND STATE CERTIFICATION:

College educated and licensed by the New York State Department of Children and Family Services.

All staff regularly attends continuing education courses.

Contracted with the Suffolk County Department of Social Services.

TOWN OF RIVERHEAD

NAME OF FACILITY:

HOLLYWOOD NURSERY DAYCARE

LOCATION/MAILING ADDRESS:

523 Hallette Avenue, Riverhead, NY 11901

PHONE NUMBER:

(631) 369-6390

CONTACT PERSON:

Marie Roseann Thorner

PROGRAM/PHILOSOPHY:

Our goal is to encourage the children to have lots of fun to grow, share and learn to play with one another. We have a great child/teacher ratio; one teacher and aid for 12 children. We have structured learning with a preschool program. Our childcare is quality affordable childcare. We provide a loving environment because we care about our children.

AGES OF CHILDREN ACCOMMODATED:

Children 6 weeks to 12 years old
Maximum of 12 children on a full time basis
Before and after school programs

DAYS AND HOURS OF PROGRAM:

Year round program
Monday through Sunday - 7 days a week
6:30am to 5:30pm

FEE RATE:

Please call facility for pricing.

MEALS:

Facility supplies food
Breakfast, Lunch and Snack

TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE:

Parents must supply transportation.

LICENSING AND STATE CERTIFICATION:

Licensed by the New York State Department of Education

Member of the Child Care Council of Suffolk County and NAEYC

DSS – All DSS accepted

CPR and First Aid certified

CDA credited

RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:

All denominations welcome.

NAME OF FACILITY:
JUST KIDS AT RIVERHEAD

LOCATION/MAILING ADDRESS:
556 East Main Street
Riverhead, New York 11901

PHONE and FAX NUMBER:
(631) 369-1927
(631) 369-1957 fax

WEBSITE:
www.justkidsschool.com

CONTACT PERSON:
Joann Faberlle

PROGRAM/PHILOSOPHY:
Our mission statement was developed on the notion of "whole child" development (1979) in an inclusionary environment. The mission of this program is based on a developmentally appropriate early childhood philosophy that supports the importance of early childhood learning experiences including play and planned program that supports the needs of young children and their families.

Just Kids believes that all children can learn and that learning occurs in all areas of development social, emotional, cognitive, linguistic, and physical. Just Kids believes that all areas of development are inter-related and interdependent and that learning occurs at different rates for different children and that the child's learning environment and experiences significantly impact on their lifelong development.

AGES OF CHILDREN ACCOMMODATED:
3 years to 5 years

DAY(S) AND HOUR(S) OF PROGRAM:

8:30am to 2:30pm - Monday to Friday

6 week summer program - 8:30am to 2:00pm

Just Kids calendar is developed in conjunction with the public school calendar. There will be a separate summer calendar and summer tuition schedule. There is no make up time and no deduction for holidays or vacations.

FEE RATE:

Please call facility for pricing.

Tuition is due on the 1st of the month. There is a \$10.00 late charge if tuition is paid after the 10th of the month. Tuition must be current to guarantee enrollment. One month's deposit and one month's tuition is required upon registration. The deposit will be used towards your last month's tuition. Deposit amounts must be kept current. Any tuition increase will result in an increase in your deposit amount. There will be a charge of \$25.00 for returned checks. Please give 30 days notice upon leaving the program.

MEALS/SNACKS:

Parent provides meals and/or snacks. Snacks available if necessary.

TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE:

Parents must provide transportation.

LICENSING AND STATE CERTIFICATIONS:

Daycare licensed. New York State Preschool provider.

RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:

All denominations are welcome.

NAME OF FACILITY:
PINE TREE DAY NURSERY

LOCATION/MAILING ADDRESS:
811 Roanoke Avenue
Riverhead, New York 11901

PHONE NUMBER:
(631) 727-9340

CONTACT PERSON:
Michele Carr, Ryan Carr or Heather Stuart

PROGRAM/PHILOSOPHY:
Child-centered program that is structured with flexibility. We believe in giving children a good base for life. We supply a loving and fun atmosphere that is nurturing and stimulating to the child. We offer a developmentally appropriate curriculum.

AGES OF CHILDREN ACCOMMODATED:
Children ages 6 weeks through 6 years old
Children DO NOT have to be toilet trained.
Parents must provide diapers and wipes.

DAYS AND HOURS OF PROGRAM:
Program runs year round
Monday through Friday
6:45am to 6:00pm

FEE RATE:
Please call facility for pricing.

MEALS:
AM and PM snack
Lunch

TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE:

Transportation for school-age children for before and after-school care provided within the Riverhead Central School District.

Parents must provide transportation for non-school age children.

RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:

All denominations are welcome.

TOWN OF SPEONK

NAME OF FACILITY:

RAYNOR COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL

LOCATION ADDRESS:

4 Mill Pond Path
Speonk, New York 11972

MAILING ADDRESS:

P. O. Box 380
Westhampton, New York 11977

PHONE NUMBER:

(631) 288-4658 (Elementary School) - fax (631) 288-4654
(631) 325-0017 (Middle School) - fax (631) 325-1268

CONTACT PERSON:

Kerry Coonan, Principal/Head of School
Donna Goebel, Office Administrator, Elementary School

PROGRAM/PHILOSOPHY:

To provide an education, which will engage and nurture the whole child, and to inspire a balanced growth of heart, mind, body and spirit. We encourage children to grow and learn in ways that best suit their individual temperaments, stages of development, and abilities. We strive for high standards in each area, be it academic, physical, artistic, or social. Our teaching fosters qualities of inner-confidence and responsibility, self-motivation, intellectual curiosity and achievement, imagination and joy.

Our mission is excellence in education! Our academic program is based on the premise that critical thinking, effective communication skills, and a genuine commitment to learning are achieved in an environment that encourages the active participation of students in the educational process. Raynor Country Day School blends traditional, proven approaches to learning with new innovative-educational methods to make sure students reach their highest potential.

AGES OF CHILDREN ACCOMMODATED:

Children 3 to 12 years old

DAYS AND HOURS OF PROGRAM:

Program runs September through June, with Summer Camp available July and August

PreK - 9:00am to 2:30pm

K-6th - 8:15am to 3:15pm

Before and after-school care available, 7:30am to 8:30am and 3:30pm to 5:30pm

CAMP – 9:00am to 4:00pm

FEE RATE:

Please call facility for pricing.

MEALS:

Lunch is available.

TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE:

Parents must contact their individual school districts to make arrangements for transportation for school age children. Parents must provide transportation for non-school age children.

RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:

All denominations are welcome.

NAME OF FACILITY:

RAYNOR COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL

SPECIAL PROGRAMS, i.e., SUMMER AND WINTER BREAK:

Summer Camp

DAYS AND HOURS OF PROGRAM:

Camp is Monday through Friday – 9:00am to 4:00pm

Create your own schedule. Flexible programming.

AGES OF CHILDREN ACCOMMODATED:

Children 3 to 12 years old

FEE RATE:

Please call school for rates.

MEALS:

Snack is provided.

TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE:

Transportation is available for all campers.

**TOWN OF
WESTHAMPTON
BEACH**

NAME OF FACILITY:

QUIOGUE NURSERY (a daycare facility)

LOCATION/MAILING ADDRESS:

53 Meeting House Road
Westhampton Beach, New York 11978

PHONE NUMBER:

(631) 288-3642

CONTACT PERSON:

Carole Mayo

PROGRAM/PHILOSOPHY:

Our curriculum follows the interests and developments of each child. The Montessori Method of Teaching enables a child to build self-confidence. We encourage the children's independence by teaching them to care for themselves and their environment. The children will also learn basic concepts of numbers, letters, shapes, colors, etc.

AGES OF CHILDREN ACCOMMODATED:

Children ages 2 through 5 years old
Children DO have to be mostly toilet trained.

DAYS AND HOURS OF PROGRAM:

Year round program
Monday through Friday
8:30am to 4:30pm

FEE RATE:

Please call facility for pricing.

MEALS:

Food provided by school.
Breakfast, AM snack, Lunch and PM snack

TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE:

Parents must supply transportation.

LICENSING AND STATE CERTIFICATION:

Licensed by New York State

RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:

All denominations welcome.

NAME OF FACILITY:

SAINT MARK'S BRIGHT BEGINNINGS PRESCHOOL

LOCATION ADDRESS:

40 Main Street
Westhampton Beach, New York 11978

MAILING ADDRESS:

P.O. Box 887
Westhampton Beach, New York 11978

PHONE NUMBER:

(631) 288-3310

WEBSITE:

Saintmarksbrightbeginnings@hotmail.com

CONTACT PERSON:

Dawn Orban

PROGRAM/PHILOSOPHY:

At our school, we understand that the early years are the most important years in developing a child's attitude about school, learning, and establishing a child's self-esteem and confidence. We use a center-based curriculum to help develop learning styles.

AGES OF CHILDREN ACCOMMODATED:

18 months to PreK

DAY(S) AND HOUR(S) OF PROGRAM:

Monday to Friday
7:00am to 4:00 pm
(follows school calendar)
Early drop off 7:00am to 9:00am and late pickup 3:00pm to 4:00pm
(included in full day pricing)

FEE RATE:

Please call facility for pricing.

SNACKS:

Healthy snacks (i.e., yogurt and bananas - graham crackers and apple sauce)

TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE:

Parents must provide transportation.

LICENSING AND STATE CERTIFICATIONS:

Fully licensed by OCFS.

RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:

All denominations accepted.

OTHER:

Camp - 6 weeks - July/August - 9:00am to 12:00pm and
9:00am to 2:00pm

New York State certified teacher in each class

Each teacher is CPR certified.

Handwriting Without Tears

After School Clubs

Early drop off

OTHER

NAME OF FACILITY:

MUSIC TOGETHER BY THE DUNES

MAILING ADDRESS:

Ina Ferrara

P.O. Box 1189, Quogue, New York 11959

PROGRAM LOCATION:

Kidnastics

23 Frowein Road

Center Moriches, New York 11934

Dance Centre of the Hamptons

70 Old Riverhead Road

Westhampton, New York 11978

The Quogue School (summers)

10 Edgewood Road

Quogue, New York 11959

The Southampton Cultural Center

25 Pond Lane

Southampton, New York 11968

SYS – Southampton Town Recreation Center

1370A Majors Path

Southampton, New York 11968

The Children's Museum of the East End

376 Bridgehampton/Sag Harbor Turnpike – County Road 79

Bridgehampton, NY 11932

The First United Methodist Church of East Hampton

35 Pantigo Road

East Hampton, NY 11937

PHONE NUMBER:

(631) 764-4180

Website for more information: www.mtbythedunes.com

CONTACT PERSON:

Ina Ferrara, Center Director

PROGRAM/PHILOSOPHY:

All children are musical. Therefore, all children can achieve basic music competence. The Center for Music and Young Children defines basic music competence as the ability to sing in tune with accurate rhythm. The participation and modeling of parents and caregivers, regardless of their musical ability, is essential to a child's musical growth. This growth is best achieved in a playful, developmentally appropriate, non-performance-oriented learning environment that is musically rich yet immediately accessible to the child's and the adults participation.

AGES OF CHILDREN ACCOMMODATED:

Birth through 5 years of age in mixed age family classes

DAYS AND HOURS OF PROGRAM:

Mondays – 10:15am (Westhampton Beach)

Mondays – 4:30pm (Center Moriches Kidnastics)

Tuesdays – 10:00am (First United Methodist Church, East Hampton)

Wednesdays – 10:00am (First United Methodist Church, East Hampton)

Thursdays - 10:15am – Southampton

(The Southampton Cultural Center)

Fridays – 9:45am - Southampton (SYS) Town Recreation Center

Fridays – 9:30am, 10:30am – (Children's Museum, Bridgehampton)

This is the schedule for winter classes beginning January 3rd and run for 10 weeks excluding major holidays or holidays set forth by the Westhampton Public School System. Other classes and times are added as needed.

The schedule for winter, spring and summer sessions may vary slightly.
And summer classes are held in Quogue in addition to Westhampton
Beach and Southampton.

2012 Winter Session starts January 2nd, 2012.
2012 Spring Session starts April 16th, 2012.

FEE RATE:

Please call facility for pricing.

TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE:

Parents must provide transportation.

RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:

All denominations are welcome.

OTHER:

Music Together runs four sessions yearly - three 10 week sessions during the school year and one 6 or 7 week session in the summer. (The summer session fee is different than the regular session fee, based on the session length.)