ALL CHILDREN SHOULD HAVE ACCESS TO EARLY EDUCATION

The Greater Holyoke YMCA offers full and half day preschool programs that run year-round. The program is for 2.9–5 year olds, and supports the Holyoke Early Literacy Initiative (HELI) of the Holyoke Public Schools and community. Vouchers are accepted and financial assistance is available.

PHILOSOPHY

At the Y-Kid’s Preschool we believe in the education of the whole child and the development of skills that will last a lifetime. Our students are offered a nurturing, engaging and diverse educational experience designed to enhance their unique personalities; ensuring they are kindergarten ready as defined by the On Track for Literacy Indicators developed by HELI.

BUILDING BRIGHTER FUTURES

Y-Kids Preschool
HOLYOKE YMCA

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WHAT WE DO

We provide a vigorous full and half day program that would prepare any child for school from a social and educational prospective. We use small group education and our certified teachers to bring the best out of every student.

- We participate in the HELI (Holyoke Early Literacy Initiative Program) to assist children be ready to start school and an initiative to limit screen time and encourage activity
- We accept state vouchers
- Intimate and personal settings include no greater than a ten to one adult child ratio
- Trained and certified staff see and cater to all child’s needs.

OUR STORY

St. Paul’s Nursery School has contributed to the Holyoke community for several decades as the site for one of the premier child care programs in the city. The Greater Holyoke YMCA stepped in last year after their program closed and began their own program.

MORE ABOUT OUR STORY

The YMCA in general and the Holyoke YMCA specifically have a long history of child care and community service. We began our program here with the idea of helping Holyoke to make progress towards its overall academic and educational revival.

DAILY SCHEDULE

8-9AM - Arrivals and socialization
9-9:30AM - Breakfast
9:30-11:30AM - Themed activities (ex. alphabet or number activities, circle time, sharing and others.)
11-12PM - Large muscle activities and outside play when possible
12-12:45PM - Lunch and tooth brushing
12:45-1PM - Toileting and preparation for rest time
1-3PM - Rest time
3-4PM - Reinforcement of morning activities
4-5PM - Free play and departures.