General Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday-Friday

7:30 am to 5:00 pm

We are a full-time, full-day program.

Monthly Tuition: \$1355

Facility License # 191801271

We also collaborate with Pathways LA for tuition assistance. Pathways LA 3325 Wilshire Blvd. Ste #1100 Los Angeles, CA 90010 (213)427-270



History

Playgroup was founded in 1970 by a group of neighbors who needed affordable childcare, Playgroup quickly developed a reputation for excellence under the direction of Ruth Beaglehole. Playgroup was incorporated as the Echo Park Silverlake Peoples Child Care Center, a non-profit community organization, in 1974. Playgroup was a pioneer in the use of anti-bias curriculum and has been a vocal advocate for children and families throughout its history.

Enrollment

Once you have chosen us as a school for your child, we require completion of an application along with a \$75 non-refundable fee. Once we have an availability, based on your desired start date or wait-list status; we contact you and proceed with enrollment process.

General Fees & Requirements

•Enrollment Fee: One-Time enrollment fee of \$450

•Yearly Family Fundraising Commitment: \$300

Parent/Family Participation: 20 Volunteer Hours per year. At least (1) Annual Pitch-In Day



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Our Mission

Playgroup is a special place where children's unique thinking flourishes. We are an early school made up of educators and families who believe in the importance of developmentally appropriate, hands-on learning, arts exposure and social guidance for the youngest of people. Reflecting the ethnic and social-economic diversity of our local community is of paramount importance. All children and families are supported to make meaningful connections with themselves, others, and the greater community.

Philosophy

Our philosophy is to encourage and facilitate quality learning experiences that allow children to flourish cognitively, physically, and socially. We view the child as a capable and intelligent individual. We believe knowledge is co-constructed, where we learn as individuals and as a community.



Curriculum

At Playgroup we practice the Emergent curriculum with inspiration from school in Reggio Emilia. Through this approach we view the child as capable, intelligent learners.

Teachers and parents work alongside children, co-building a unique curriculum with every experience. Children's interests, play and needs are observed by educators. Teachers use tools of documentation, such as note taking and video, to reveal children's though process and extend a line of inquiry/exploration.

