



Educare Kansas City is a state-of-the-art early childhood school.

It gives young children and their families in Wyandotte County a strong start for a successful future. Our comprehensive program incorporates what science says young children need to flourish.



The school is a public-private partnership and is funded through a mix of federal and state Early Head Start/Head Start funding and private foundation funding.



PREPARING CHILDREN

- We serve 142 children from ages 6 weeks to 5 years with a full-day, full-year program.
- We provide services to children with special education needs in an inclusive setting.
- Low child-teacher ratios, small class sizes and highly qualified teachers promote individualized attention.
- Children stay with the same teacher for several years to develop strong relationships that promote learning.
- We continually collect and analyze data to assess children's progress, inform classroom instruction and guide discussion with families.

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ENGAGING FAMILIES

- Educare knows that parents are instrumental to their children's success.
- We partner with parents to build strong bonds with their children, better understand their children's developmental needs and connect them to resources to pursue their own goals.
- We support parents in developing skills they can use to champion their children's education.
- Family Support Coordinators work with families to connect home and school for optimal outcomes.
- All staff members receive training in Touchpoints, a framework for strengthening parent-child-provider relationships, to enhance their delivery of care to families.
- Parents have opportunities to be involved with program leadership and develop their leadership skills by participating in Parent Committees and other advocacy efforts.

PROMOTING EXCELLENCE

- Educare Kansas City is part of the Educare Learning Network, a national network of effective early childhood education schools.
- Educare Kansas City participates in a national evaluation of Educare Schools. The data gathered is used to evaluate the Educare model, but is also used locally, by Educare Kansas City teachers and administrators, to document children's growth and to address needs of the program, families, and individual children.
- We offer ongoing professional development to ensure teachers and family support staff are continuing to develop and enhance their skills.
- Staff of Educare Kansas City share best practices with other early education professionals in the community to increase quality early education for all children.
- Educare's approach helps children, families and communities thrive. The national network of Educare Schools unites education professionals, private-sector leaders, policymakers, families and other like-minded champions to improve access to high-quality early childhood education across the country.

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