

COMMUNICATION CENTER for Hearing and Speech

The Communication Center for Hearing and Speech (CCHS) is an established agency approved by the NYS Education Department and Department of Health.

We provide services to children birth to 5 years old in the areas of: special education, speech, occupational, and physical therapy, evaluations, and counseling provided in clinic and in homes, nursery schools and daycare centers.

Our objective is to always provide these services with warm, personal attention to the individual needs of our children, their parents, and their families.



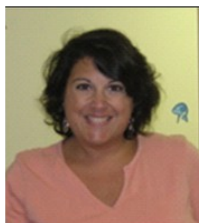
Integrated Preschool services are provided through our STARS Preschool Program located in the villages of Webster and Fairport.

Give us a call today at (585) 223-5090. Our friendly and knowledgeable staff would be happy to answer any questions you may have!

Sincerely,

Kendra Marasco, Director

Vicki Follaco, Program Coordinator



Rita Myers, M. Ed.
Special Education Teacher

Rita received her Bachelor's degree in Music Therapy from SUNY Fredonia and went on to earn her Master's Degree in Special Education from Fitchburg State College in Massachusetts. She has 20 years experience working with young children, working as both a Music Therapist and Special Education classroom teacher. Rita enjoys music, and incorporates music activities into her classroom lessons each day. She has two children of her own, and knows how important it is to play with little ones and help foster their basic skill development to prepare them for preschool and beyond.



Felicia Thierer, OTR/L
Occupational Therapist

Felicia graduated from Florida International University in 1988 with a degree in Occupational Therapy. Throughout her many years of experience she has worked with both adults and children with a variety of diagnoses. Felicia is certified in Sensory Integration Training through Western Psychological Services (WPS) and has significant training in DIR. Felicia is well known to the Rochester area for her work with children and organizations such as UNYFEAT. She frequently provides inservices to various agencies and children's centers.



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NEW PLAY GROUPS
FOR 2010



585-223-5090

Kreative Kids

(Art Group)

Purpose:

To provide children 3 to 5 years old with an opportunity to explore awareness of themselves while gaining appropriate and necessary developmental skills through a variety of sensory experiences using art activities.

Activities:

Week 1: Clay Works

Week 2: Design a Body

Week 3: Jewelry Making

Week 4: Picture Frames (various mediums)

Week 5: Masks

Week 6: Make Musical Instruments

Stations will be located throughout the room that will have examples of the day for the children to try to imitate, but to encourage exploration as well.

These activities will address fine motor skills, visual motor skills, motor planning skills, promote awareness of body in space, spatial concepts, sensory development, tactile input, following directions, attending skills, sharing and interacting with others, and problem solving skills while having fun and exploring their creativity.



Exploring Through Play

(Parent/Caregiver and Child Group)

Purpose:

To provide children ages 18 months to 3 years old and their parents/caregivers an opportunity to explore the environment around them through a variety of sensory experiences. This allows youngsters to develop the necessary developmental skills to enable them to perform to their optimal level of function.

Activities:

Week 1: Exploration through Food

- Playing with different consistencies while promoting development of upper body strength, visual perception, fine motor, trunk control, and tolerance of textures.

Week 2: Large Movement

- Moving and strengthening our bodies to allow for awareness of where each body part starts and ends. Working on coordination, visual perception, tactile input, and balance through play.

Week 3: Move and Groove

- Moving large/small muscle groups within the constraints of music. Working on regulation (i.e. slow/fast, stop/go), awareness of body in space, visual perception, following directions, auditory processing, while grooving to music with parent/caregiver.

Week 4: Fine Motor Movement

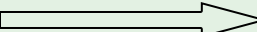
- Moving small finger and hand muscles through a variety of art, craft and sensory activities to develop fine motor skills and heighten a child's sense of touch and feel.

Week 5: Exploration of the Mouth

- Moving small muscles within the mouth to allow for the ability to produce sounds, and awareness of how the mouth works.

Week 6: Parent Choice

- Review and present again parent favorites from previous five sessions.

Both groups are staffed by a Special Education Teacher and an Occupational Therapist. Turn to the back to learn more about them. 

The groups meet for one hour per week on Mondays for 6 weeks. The total price for a 6 week session is \$50.00 and there are three available sessions to choose from:

Session 1: Jan 4th-Feb 8th

Session 2: Feb 22nd-March 29th

Session 3: April 5th-May 17th

(no group on 4/19)

Exploring through Play

Ages: 18 months - 3 years old

Mondays for six weeks, 11:30am-12:30pm

Parent/Caregiver Attendance Required.

Kreative Kids

Ages: 3-5 years old

Mondays for six weeks, 1:30pm-2:30pm

Parents/Caregivers Welcome

*To Register Please
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