

TO UNDERSTAND PRESCHOOLERS,
KEEP IN MIND...



- * A child must learn to possess before he learns to share.
- * A child must be loved before he learns to love.
- * A child must love and respect himself before he can love and respect others.
- * A child learns to play alone, and then alongside another child, before he learns to play (interact) with another child.
- * A child must be responded to before he learns to respond.
- * A child learns to say words before he learns their meanings.
- * A child learns the meaning of "no" before he learns the meaning of "yes."
- * A child learns to say single words before he puts words together into phrases or sentences.
- * A child's large muscles develop before his small muscles develop.
- * A child is messy before he learns to be neat and orderly.
- * Readiness is a matter of maturation and cannot be forced.
- * The basic nature of the child's growing body demands a constant flow of activity.
- * It is necessary to have a good balance of success and failure if one is to learn to handle both success and failure effectively.
- * Helping a child will spur him on to greater achievement.

We are indeed fortunate to have a staff of such high caliber. Our center provides a dynamic program designed to enrich the lives of children.



Enriching the lives of children
since September 1968

**GROWING UP
STRONG!!!**

“A Design for the Pre-School Child’s World”



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TWO YEAR OLDS THRU TRANSITIONAL/KINDERGARTEN
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“SURTOUT L’ENFANT...”

“ABOVE ALL, THE CHILD...”

CURRICULUM

CREATIVE GARDEN NURSERY SCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN, LTD. opened its doors in September, 1968 with thirty children. Today, with its enrollment of over 500 children in three centers, it enjoys the reputation of being one of the most highly qualified learning centers in the area.

Licensed by the Maryland State Board of Education, **CREATIVE GARDEN** boasts a staff of educators with college degrees who are chosen for their unique qualities and for their specialties in early childhood education. In addition to its nursery school programs for two year old children through Kindergarten, this school maintains an exceptional learning day care program for toddlers through six years of age.

CREATIVE GARDEN is responsive to the needs of the community it serves and understands the special concern of working parents when selecting a center. We take pride in providing a family-oriented setting and a feeling of belonging that all children have when they attend our school.

Our children are provided with a learning environment and a social climate which helps them grow intellectually, socially, emotionally, and physically in a manner appropriate to their age and stage of development.

Our highly trained staff is dedicated to providing an atmosphere which considers the individual differences and needs of the children. Each child is encouraged to solve problems, initiate activities, explore, experiment, and question. Our approach is one of acceptance, so that each child will build a positive self-concept, enhance his or her individuality and experience many opportunities for success.

CREATIVE GARDEN provides a strong beginning that will last your child a lifetime!



* TWO YEAR OLD PROGRAM *

Creative Garden will start your two year old on a wonderful journey which will enhance his or her communication skills and social development in a warm and loving atmosphere. Picture stories and simple poetry will introduce your child to the world of picture representation, creative expression in music, rhythms, dramatic play, and art activities. Colors, shapes, numbers, and reading readiness are all part of our early learning program. The toddlers will have opportunities to laugh together, play together and help one another grow through these "Wonder Years."



* THREE & FOUR YEAR OLD PROGRAM *



Children will delight as the discovery of learning continues through a spiraling reading readiness and math approach that will prepare them for kindergarten. Language arts, phonics, Spanish, and social graces are all part of a challenging curriculum offered by Creative Garden School. Math and science provide new challenges; art and music allow for creative expression.

TRANSITIONAL PROGRAM

The older four year old child, who is ready for the structure of kindergarten, is challenged in the "transitional" class. Math, reading, cultural arts, music, Spanish, science, and the various multitudes of art forms comprise the curriculum of this "bridging" year between four year old classes and Kindergarten.

KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM

A lifetime of learning continues with our Kindergarten class. Children will experience the joy of learning beginning with their first day and culminating at their graduation. Reading skills progress to the point where the children feel the thrill and excitement of reading their first story. They will explore and discover the world of natural science, scientific experiments, map skills, music comprehension, and multi-media crafts. The Metropolitan Readiness Test is administered to all Kindergarten children. The discoveries that each child will experience in Kindergarten, from reasoning skills to a greater understanding of the world around them, lay the foundation for first grade and beyond.

