

St. James Early Learning Center

NEWSLETTER



IMPORTANT DATES

- July 3 | **CENTER CLOSED!** 4th of July Weekend!
 - July 8-10 | KC Bake Sale (See Flyer)
 - **SAVE THE DATE - AUGUST 7th | PRE-K GRADUATION**
- Staff Birthday's
- Miss Ashley B (25th)
- Staff Anniversary's:
- Miss Amanda: 7 years on the 1st
- Looking Ahead..** Pre-K Graduation, Continued Summer Fun, Open House Event, and First Day of School.. (Yes, Already)!



July
2026

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CENTER INFO



Center Hours:

St. James ELC is open from 6:30AM to 5:30PM. Tuition rates are based on a 10-hour daily enrollment. Please keep your drop off and pick up times as consistent as possible with what is stated on your Fee Agreements. We use this information to schedule staff accordingly, and to ensure accurate state regulations of staff-child ratios.

Doors/Gates, Adult Pick Up's

Children can only be released to parents/legal guardians that are pre-listed on their Emergency Contact Forms. Siblings are not permitted to collect children even when an adult is in the building - an adult must be present before staff can allow children to leave the room. Along with this, please make sure gates and/or doors are closed behind you or other adults/children that are with you. Doors/Gates are in place to help ensure safety to all children in the room.

Breakfast:

Breakfast is served every morning from 7:00-8:00AM. If you would like your child to eat breakfast at school, please have them here before 8:00AM.



Naptime Items:

All naptime items need to be taken home on Fridays or on the last day your child is enrolled for the week to be washed and returned on Monday morning. This will help minimize the spread of germs from week to week!



PHONE USE

Please refrain from using cell phones or having other distractions during drop off and pick up times. Your full attention is needed during these moments to discuss your child's evenings at home, days at school, to share happy moments, and to guarantee full safety measures of children coming in and out of the classroom and building. Thank you for understanding.

PAPERWORK

Thank You

for assisting us
with our bi-annual
paperwork updates!

If any information is missing or still
needs corrections, we will be sure
to reach back out to families.



PRE-K GOING TO KIDS CLUB

- *Is your child currently enrolled in our Pre-K classroom?
- *Is your child planning to attend Kindergarten in the Fall?
- *Will your child be attending either Lincoln or James Gettys?
- *Will your child need before and/or after school care?

If you answered "Yes!" to ALL of these questions, then please let us know what care you will need for the school year by July 31st; so we can begin making enrollment changes for the 26-27 school year.

Please also keep in mind that any schedule changes must be in writing at least two weeks before changes can be made. Thank you for understanding.

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SUMMER VACATIONS

If your family is vacationing, please let us know which dates your children will not be in attendance. This helps staff plan their weeks according to the number of children they are expecting each day/week, and helps ensure that each child gets the most out of our summer fun activities!

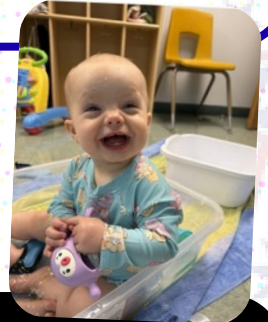


FACEBOOK/ WEBSITE



Whether you are new to our St. James family or have been with us for awhile, we want to put out the reminder that we have a private Facebook group for all of our enrolled families to join if they would like! On our Facebook page, you will see center events, photos, community activities and resources, holiday/weather closings/delays, and so much more! A place to share all the fun moments with other SJELC families!

Also, on the St. James website, under Early Learning, families can find center newsletters, menus, events, and information regarding each classroom. Classroom newsletters, calendars, show and tell's, photos, and other classroom news throughout the year!



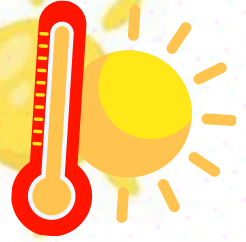
STAFF SHOUT OUTS

Congratulations to Miss Ashley B, Miss Ashton, Miss Emily, and Miss Kylesea for receiving 4 of the 10 awards given out to Early Childhood Educators by Ready 2 Learn at United Way of Adams County! We appreciate their commitment to building strong foundations for young children and their families.





If the real-feel temperature is between 25-90 degrees, we intend to go outside every day.



Please make sure your child has suitable outdoor clothing. If children have dresses on, please be sure to put shorts on underneath for when they are climbing, running/playing, and sitting on the floor.

Children need to have a sweatshirt/jacket on outside if the real-feel temp is 50 degrees or below.

Periodically check with your children's teachers that their "extra clothes" bins are up to date and also have weather-appropriate clothing (and correct sizes) in case they would need to change clothes here at school.

Lastly, all children must have runnable closed-toed shoes EVERY day! (See Flyer)

SUNSCREEN



On those warm, sunny days, please apply sunscreen before bringing your children to school.

Sunscreen is treated like a medication through DHS and will need to have proper paperwork attached with it.

For peace of mind, please also remember that when temperatures (& feel-likes) are high, we always evaluate the conditions before playing outside.

Please DO NOT leave sunscreen in your child's bag.

WATER PLAY

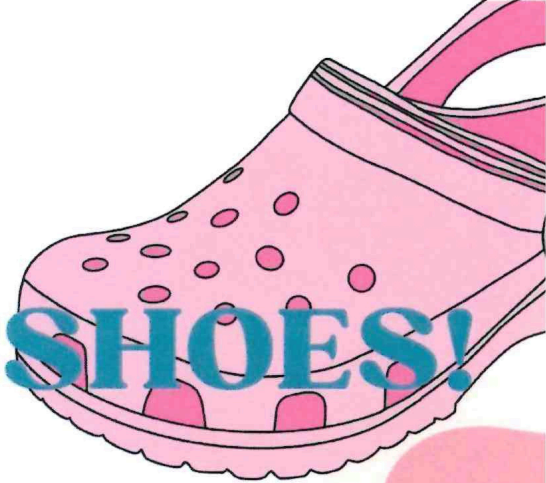
Every classroom has water play once a week (weather permitting). Children will need bathing suits, water-appropriate shoes, a towel, and a dry outfit for after water play. Classroom water play days are as follows:

Infants - Tuesday
Young Toddlers - Tuesday
Older Toddlers - Friday

Preschool - Friday
Pre-K - Wednesday
Kids Club - Wednesday



SHOES! SHOES! SHOES!

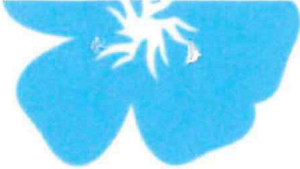
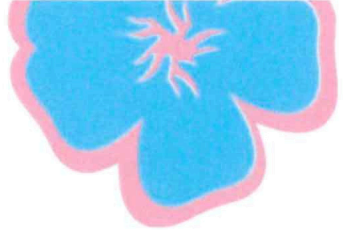
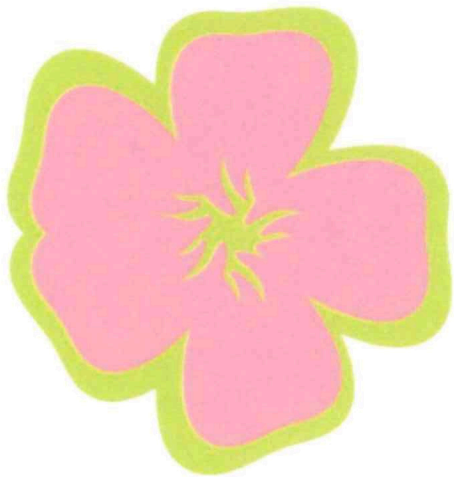
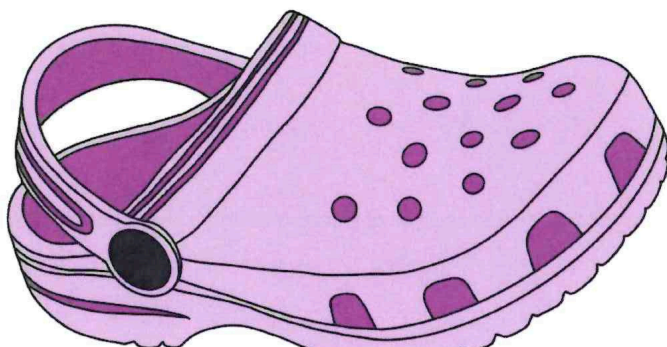


Clogs, toeless sandals
and flip-flops too
All the new styles-
colorful and new!!

These shoes look great
at home or at the pool.
But they're not very safe
for play here at school!

On the playground and in class
where we jump and run
We need to wear closed-toed shoes
to be safe and have fun!

Crocs are OKAY!



SWEETEN YOUR DAY!

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**St. James Early Learning
Center**

Kids Club Annual BAKE SALE!

July 8,9,10

9:00 am -11:00am

Lincoln Square

Baked
with
love