Our Philosophy

At Burlington Children's Space, we believe that young children thrive when their learning is cultivated within a stimulating and nurturing environment that takes into consideration the "whole" child.

Family, culture, socioeconomic background and developmental stage are all integral parts of each child and should be welcomed as integrated parts of a rich environment. We strive to create a sense of community for our children within the Center and help them feel a part of the larger community they live in as well.

Children are competent learners. We respect and value their curiosity, their social nature, their purposeful inquiries and their incredible perseverance. We believe that children will demonstrate their own complex and meaningful agendas for learning as they all possess a natural desire to challenge themselves and embrace new experiences.

We believe in positive language, active problem solving, appropriate limits and positive consequences for desired behavior and we strive to model these ideas within empathetic and caring classrooms.

Finally, we believe in the power of love and acceptance and that we have as much to learn from young children as they have to learn from us.



Thank you for your interest in the Burlington Children's Space. Enclosed is a brochure that gives specific information about our programs and philosophy.

The Burlington Children's Space offers care for children between the ages of 6 weeks to those leaving for kindergarten. We are open from 7:30-5:30, 5 days a week. A limited number of part time slots are available within the program. We offer a sliding fee scale for tuition and accept State reimbursement for child care as well. The sliding fee scales are printed in the brochure.

We are pleased to be sharing the McClure Multi-Generational Center with the Champlain Senior Center. This has allowed us to provide opportunities for senior citizens and children to learn together and from each other through play and organized activities. In addition, we incorporate people of all ages as volunteers, interns and program helpers, making our organization truly multi-generational.

An application form for our waiting list is also inside this brochure. Please fill it out and return to us as soon as possible along with a \$25 application fee. Once we receive your completed form and application fee, you will be placed on our waiting list. New children usually enter the program in September, but the enrollment process begins in late spring. In late spring/early summer we will contact you to determine if you wish to continue to stay on our waiting list. If you do not respond, we will assume that you made other arrangements and we will remove you from our waiting list. After current families have been enrolled, we will contact wait list members about any openings we have.

Burlington Children's Space 241 North Winooski Avenue Burlington, Vermont

ENROLLMENT WAITING LIST APPLICATION

Child's Name	Birth Date					
	re is needed					
Parent/Guardian Name						
City, State, Zip						
Home Phone#	Work Phone #					
Parent/Guardian Name						
Street Address						
City, State, Zip						
Home Phone#	Work Phone #					
E-Mail Address						
Hours of Care Needed 7:30 – 5:30						
Are you receiving Headstart/State childcare subsidy?						
What is your estimated annual household income?						
What language(s) do you speak?						
Do you need an interpreter for the enrollment process? Y/N						
PLEASE REMEMBER TO INCLUDE YOUR DEPOSIT CHECK!						

Date Received

Sliding Fee Scale - Monthly Rates

<u>Infants-36 Months</u>					
<u>Family Income</u>	<u>Full Time</u>	2 Days	<u> 3 Days</u>	<u>4 days</u>	
Below \$50,000	\$801	\$379	\$566	\$705	
\$50,000-74,999	\$1124	\$556	\$828	\$993	
75,000-99,999	\$1145	\$565	\$845	\$1016	
\$100,000-\$199,999	\$1176	\$582	\$868	\$1056	
Over \$200,000 (Ac	tual Cost)	\$1993 ***T	nird Party Bi	illing Rate	***

Preschool Rooms / W Act 166 Funding

<u>Family Income</u>	<u>Full Time</u>	2 Days	<u> 3 Days</u>	<u>4 days</u>
Below \$50,000	\$707	\$304	\$444	\$579
\$50,000-\$74,999	\$1010	\$443	\$655	\$856
\$75,000-\$99,999	\$1028	\$450	\$668	\$876
\$100,000-\$199,999	\$1058	\$461	\$688	\$890
Over \$200,000	\$1207 **	*Third Part	y Billing F	Rate***
Over \$200,000 (Ac	tual Cost / N	No Act 166) \$1480	

Parents of preschoolers who do not receive pre-k funding through the public schools will be asked to pay a higher rate.

For subsidy access fee rates, please see the business office!

***These rates are effective 9/1/180 subject to change.