

# 2022-23

## Rochester Area Childcare Directory



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This listing contains basic information about infant and toddler care, preschools, and before and after school programs in Rochester. Addresses and contact information only are listed for childcare services in the communities surrounding Rochester.

We cannot endorse any of these programs. This directory is simply a service to our patrons. Please contact providers for up-to-date prices and space availability.

We hope this collection of area childcare providers is helpful to you and your family during your search for childcare.

## **Some Additional Things to Consider:**

**Plan to visit facilities that interest you in order to find the best situation for you and your child. This will give you the chance to meet the caregivers and children and choose a caring, stimulating environment for your children.**

- **Does your child respond best to a structured day, or a flexible schedule?**
- **Do you want your child to spend more time actively learning, or more time in unstructured play with other children?**
- **What is the teacher to child ratio?**
- **Is the fee schedule set for the year? When are payments expected?**
- **Are the hours convenient for your family's schedule?**
- **Do you like all of the programs at the school or center? Will your child be in the same place next year, and do you like next year's program?**
- **How often do children get "screen time" (computer, video games, television, movies)?**
- **Is there a variety of developmentally appropriate activities available for the children?**
- **Are most of the children happily occupied? Are any of the children doing nothing or unhappy?**
- **What are the sunscreen and bug spray policies?**
- **How are the caregivers interacting with the children? Are caregivers making positive comments to the children?**
- **Do caregivers touch the children? Hug them? Hold the babies?**
- **Are you comfortable talking about your approaches to childcare with the caregivers?**
- **Do the caregivers have experiences and/or educational backgrounds that have trained them for work with young children?**
- **Do the caregivers continue to learn more about their job by attending workshops, taking courses, and reading?**

**Once you enroll your children in a program, it is VERY important to continue to observe the care that your children are receiving.**

- **Ask your children about their day and LISTEN CAREFULLY for clues about problems they might be having.**
- **Ask the caregivers about your children's day.**
- **Discuss any issues and questions you have with your children and the caregivers.**
- **Speak up if you are concerned about the program.**

**Always remember that you are the best judge about what is (or is not) right for your family!**

## Childcare in Rochester, NH

Emmanuel Child Care Center	63 Eastern Avenue	603-332-5355
Jack and Jill School	56 Whitehall Road	603-332-3177
Rochester Child Care Center	95 Charles Street	603-332-9333
St. Elizabeth Seton	16 Bridge Street	603-332-4803
St. Leo's Children's Center	32 Pickering Road	603-332-9840
Small Wonders Preschool	140 Wakefield Street	603-749-4015
Strafford County Head Start	150 Wakefield Street	603-516-2320
Treefrog Learning Center	393 Gonic Road	603-403-1285
YMCA Children's Center	63 Lowell Street	603-332-7334

**Childcare options outside Rochester are listed after the detailed Rochester listings.**

**Some providers have not offered in-depth information.**

**We cannot guarantee that all information is current as information is subject to change.**

**Contact providers for the most current data.**

**This information was last updated in [September 2022](#).**

**A new directory will be made available in the Fall of 2023.**

# Emmanuel Child Care Center

Address	63 Eastern Avenue
Phone Number	603-332-5355
Email	childcare@emmanuelacc.net
Website	www.emmanuelacc.net/childcare
Facebook	www.facebook.com/emmanuelchildcarecenter
Contact Person	Cindy Blanchette
Hours	6am - 6 pm
Ages	6 Weeks - 5 Years
Prices	Registration Fees: \$40.00 per child or \$60.00 per family Infants (6 weeks-18 months) \$270.00 per week Toddlers (18-preschool) \$245.00 per week Preschool 3 + 4 \$225.00 per week
About	<p>Emmanuel Child Care is an outreach ministry of the Emmanuel Church. Our intent is to provide quality childcare and educational programs to families in the greater Rochester area. Emmanuel formulates its philosophy and curriculum on the following viewpoints:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Every child is a unique individual created by God.</li><li>• Every child proceeds through specific levels of growth and development</li><li>• Every child is an active learner and explorer of his/her environment.</li><li>• Every child is to be valued and respected.</li></ul>

# Jack and Jill School

Address	56 Whitehall Road
Phone Number	603-332-3177
Email	info@jackandjillschool.net
Website	www.jackandjillschool.net
Facebook	www.facebook.com/jackandjillschool.net
Contact Person	Deb Cuddahy
Hours	7am - 5pm
Ages	2.5 - 4
Ratios	2.5 year olds- 6:1 3 year olds- 8:1 4 year olds- 10:1
Price Range	\$63 - 258 depending on age and program
About	Our mission is to enrich children's lives with opportunities to explore and develop their unique abilities by engaging them in age-appropriate activities that will enhance their cognitive, social, physical and emotional development.

# Rochester Child Care Center

Address	95 Charles Street
Phone Number	603-332-9333
Email	choppe@rochesterchildcare.org
Website	www.rochesterchildcare.org
Facebook	www.facebook.com/RochesterChildCare
Contact Person	Cora-Lynn Hoppe
Hours	6:30am - 5:30pm
Ages	6 Months - 12 Years
Price Range	\$60 - 275 depending on age and program
About	<p>RCCC is a private nonprofit childcare center providing early education and childcare to children 6 months to 12 years. The agency strives to provide a range of services that support working parents while fostering the emotional, social, physical, and intellectual growth of their children. Special consideration and effort is given to low-income families and to families going through crises.</p>

# St. Leo's Children's Center

Address	32 Pickering Road
Phone Number	603-332-9840
Email	stleoccc@hrsl.org
Website	<a href="http://www.hrsl.org/st-leo-childcare-center">www.hrsl.org/st-leo-childcare-center</a>
Facebook	<a href="http://www.facebook.com/St-Leo-Catholic-Childrens-Center-216098852186519">www.facebook.com/St-Leo-Catholic-Childrens-Center-216098852186519</a>
Contact Person	Becky Croteau
Hours	6:45am - 5:30pm
Ages	2 years 9 months - 5 years
Prices	\$55 - 200 depending on age and program
About	<p>We strive to provide a safe, developmentally appropriate, and healthy environment in which each child can grow and develop spiritually, socially, emotionally, and academically within a caring Catholic atmosphere. Our curriculum follows educational standards including small motor skills, language and math introductions, science, and social awareness.</p>

# Small Wonders Preschool Lab

<b>Address</b>	Spaulding High School
<b>Phone Number</b>	603-332-0757 extension: 2153
<b>Email</b>	lavrich.k@sau54.org
<b>Website</b>	<a href="https://www.rochesterschools.com/o/rtc/page/small-wonders">https://www.rochesterschools.com/o/rtc/page/small-wonders</a>
<b>Contact Person</b>	Kristin Lavrich
<b>Hours</b>	9:00am - 11:30am OR 12:30pm - 2:30pm
<b>Ages</b>	3-5
<b>Prices</b>	\$125 per month + \$25 registration fee
<b>About</b>	<p>At Small Wonders, we strive to provide a creative and nurturing environment where children feel safe and comfortable to explore their surroundings. We want children to feel a sense of self accomplishment, to be able to work and play and problem solve and not be afraid to make a mistake.</p>



# **Strafford County Head Start**

<b>Address</b>	<b>150 Wakefield Street</b>
<b>Phone Number</b>	<b>603-652-0990 ext. 1116</b>
<b>Email</b>	<b>headstart@straffordcap.org</b>
<b>Website</b>	<b><a href="http://www.straffordcap.org/head-start/">www.straffordcap.org/head-start/</a></b>
<b>Facebook</b>	<b><a href="http://www.facebook.com/capofstraffordcounty">www.facebook.com/capofstraffordcounty</a></b>
<b>Contact Person</b>	<b>Kate Mack</b>
<b>Hours</b>	<b>8am - 2pm</b>
<b>Ages</b>	<b>Prenatal - 5</b>
<b>Prices</b>	<b>Free to qualifying families</b>
<b>About</b>	<b>The Head Start Approach to School Readiness means that children are ready for school, families are ready to support their children's learning, and schools are ready for children. Physical, cognitive, social and emotional development are all essential ingredients of school readiness.</b>

# Treefrog Learning Center

Address	393 Gonic Road
Phone Number	603-403-1285
Email	treefroglearningcenter@gmail.com
Website	<a href="http://www.treefroglearningcenter.com/">www.treefroglearningcenter.com/</a>
Facebook	<a href="http://www.facebook.com/TreeFrogLearningCenter">www.facebook.com/TreeFrogLearningCenter</a>
Contact Person	Beth Giesta
Hours	7:00am - 5:30pm
Ages	2 Months - 5 Years
Prices	Registration Fee: \$75 per family \$125 - 290 depending on age and program
About	Tree Frog Learning Center provides a positive and engaging environment that is warm and inviting for children to develop at their own pace.

# YMCA

Address	35 Industrial Way
Phone Number	603-332-7334
Email	Early Learning: <a href="mailto:mboucher@graniteymca.org">mboucher@graniteymca.org</a> School Age: <a href="mailto:zrobidoux@graniteymca.org">zrobidoux@graniteymca.org</a>
Website	<a href="https://www.graniteymca.org/child-care/strafford-county">https://www.graniteymca.org/child-care/strafford-county</a>
Contact Person	Early Learning: Melissa Boucher School Age: Zach Robidoux
Ages	6 Weeks - 8th Grade
Price Range	\$17 - 273 depending on age and program
About	The YMCA of Strafford County nurtures the potential of every child by supporting their unique youth development journey through holistic programming. From cradle to career, the Y provides all youth with the tools and resources they need to succeed in life.

# Childcare in Barrington, NH

<b>Name</b>	<b>BVS Family and Child Enrichment Center LLC</b>
<b>Address</b>	<b>45 Commerce Way</b>
<b>Phone Number</b>	<b>603-905-9183</b>
<b>Email</b>	<b>bvs@metrocast.net</b>
<b>Website</b>	<b><a href="http://www.bvsfamilyandchildcare.com/">www.bvsfamilyandchildcare.com/</a></b>
<b>Name</b>	<b>Kidazzle Child Care</b>
<b>Address</b>	<b>243 Smoke Street</b>
<b>Phone Number</b>	<b>603-534-2995</b>
<b>Email</b>	<b>kidazzle1@gmail.com</b>

# Childcare in Barrington, NH

<b>Name</b>	Way to Grow Preschool
<b>Address</b>	1324 Franklin Pierce Highway
<b>Phone Number</b>	603-664-2032
<b>Email</b>	roxanne@waytogrow.biz
<b>Website</b>	<a href="http://www.waytogrow.biz">www.waytogrow.biz</a>

# Childcare in Dover, NH

<b>Name</b>	Stay and Play Early Learning Center
<b>Address</b>	9 Nelson Street
<b>Phone Number</b>	603-516-0393
<b>Email</b>	L.Sheehan@stay-play.com
<b>Website</b>	<a href="http://www.stay-play.com/">www.stay-play.com/</a>
<b>Name</b>	My School LLC
<b>Address</b>	118 Locust Street
<b>Phone Number</b>	603-742-0321
<b>Email</b>	<a href="mailto:myschooldover@gmail.com">myschooldover@gmail.com</a>
<b>Website</b>	<a href="http://www.myschooldover.com">www.myschooldover.com</a>

## Childcare in Dover, NH

Name	Little Lamb Nursery and Early Learning Center
Address	31 Tennyson Avenue
Phone Number	603-743-3102
Email	littlelambnursery@yahoo.com
Website	<a href="http://www.facebook.com/Little-Lamb-Nursery-LLC-273340869372551/">www.facebook.com/Little-Lamb-Nursery-LLC-273340869372551/</a>

## Childcare in Somersworth, NH

Name	Little Steps Early Learning Center
Address	7 Works Way
Phone Number	603-692-1845
Email	kathleen.collins@littlestepsnh.com
Website	<a href="http://www.littlestepsnh.com/">www.littlestepsnh.com/</a>