



## Early Childhood Education Program

### Hillside Children's Center

The Early Childhood Education Program is designed to encourage the growth and development of young children and give them a healthy start in their educational process. Family Resource Centers offers an early learning experience for three year olds (Expanded Pre-K) and four year olds (Universal Pre-K) in conjunction with the Rochester City School District.

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### ABOUT THE SERVICE

The Family Resource Centers' Early Childhood Education Program is designed to encourage the growth and development of young children and give children a healthy start in their educational process.

The Expanded and Universal Pre-K programs for three and four year olds are full day, five-day a week learning opportunities offered in a quality, caring environment at both Southwest and Peter Castle Family Resource Centers. The evidence-based HighScope curriculum is implemented in our classrooms, meeting state requirements to prepare the children for entering Kindergarten. These programs are offered to three and four year old children within the Rochester City School District who meet eligibility requirements.

Enrollment in the Expanded Pre-K program is based on a lottery system. Students must be a city resident and 3 years of age on or by December 1<sup>st</sup> of the academic year in which they are enrolling. Please contact RCSD directly for additional eligibility requirements and to register a child in the lottery by calling 585-324-7733 or apply in person at the district offices at 131 Broad Street, Rochester, NY 14614.

For more information on the schedule and process of enrollment for four year olds in Universal Pre-K, contact Leslie Barnes, Director of Community Based Services at 585-435-8600.

### CONTACT INFORMATION

**Hillside Family of Agencies**  
585-256-7500  
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24 hours / day

### FACILITY

Peter Castle



555 Ave D , Rochester

Southwest  
89 Genesee St, Rochester

## **SUPPORTED BY**

*The EPK and UPK programs are funded by the NYS Education Department through the Rochester City School District.*

## **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

Gender: Male and female

## **RESIDENTS OF**

City of Rochester

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