

## *A Typical Day at ECC*

- 7:30-9:00 am: Arrival and free exploration in the different activity areas.
- 9:00-9:30 am: Circle/assembly time and snack. This time drives the activities for the day, i.e., stories read, questions posed.
- 9:30-11:30 am: Independent work on projects in small self-directed groups or small groups with teachers. Students may rotate outside during this time for nature exploration.
- 11:30 am: Clean up and sharing of morning activities. Set table spots and prepare rest mats/cots.
- 12:00 pm: Lunch, clean up, and preparation for rest time. Music/story on tape.
- 1:00-3:00 pm: Rest time and slow wake up, then snack.
- 3:00-4:00 pm: Pick up and outdoor time or free play.
- 4:00 - 6:00 pm: Structured activities, quiet time, and environmental play.



The ECC is the newest addition to the educational program at Springside Chestnut Hill Academy (SCH).

Our educational program is distinguished by a thoughtful progression of single-sex education in grades Pre-K–8 to a coed experience in grades 9–12.

This blended structure enables us to meet our students where they are—socially and intellectually—at each stage of their learning journey so that they feel empowered and safe to explore, experiment, and grow into their authentic selves.

Our comprehensive college preparatory curriculum—with strong programs in the humanities, sciences, and the arts—is enriched by signature programs in entrepreneurial education, global travel, robotics, new media, and outdoor education.

### *Early Childhood Center*

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## EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

SPRINGSIDE CHESTNUT HILL ACADEMY



# *Come Discover with Us*

A YEAR-ROUND PRE-SCHOOL EXPERIENCE  
FOR CHILDREN 18 MONTHS TO 4 YEARS OLD

## The Program

Springside Chestnut Hill Academy's Early Childhood Center (ECC) offers a warm and stimulating entry into learning for children 18 months to 4 years old.

The ECC follows the internationally recognized and respected Reggio Emilia approach, which emphasizes:

- child-initiated discovery
- self-expression
- experiential learning through touch, movement, listening, and observation
- parent participation
- documentation of student process and progress
- engagement with the natural environment

The Reggio approach is closely aligned with SCH Academy's own educational mission to inspire unbounded curiosity and independent thought.

ECC classrooms have been specially designed to support students' comfort, creativity, and joyful exploration.



## Program Information

Children may attend ECC for 3, 4, or 5 days/week.

After care is available every afternoon.

There are two program periods:

Academic Program: September–May

Summer Program: June–August

Daily hours for both periods:

Monday–Friday, 7:30 am–3:00 pm

Drop off: 7:30–8:00 am | Pick up: 3:00 pm

After care: 3:00–6:00 pm (\$25/day, \$30/drop in)

## Tuition

Academic Program tuition without after care:

3 days/week: \$1,000/mo

4 days/week: \$1,300/mo

5 days/week: \$1,500/mo

For more details and the full tuition schedule, visit our website at [sch.org/ecc](http://sch.org/ecc).

*"Our task, regarding creativity, is to help children climb their own mountains, as high as possible. No one can do more."*

Loris Malaguzzi, Founder of the Reggio Emilia educational approach

## Staff

SCH Academy's Early Childhood Center is directed by experienced educator and longtime SCH teacher and administrator Janet Giovinazzo. Janet has a master's in education from Temple University and a combined 43 years in education, as an elementary school teacher, student support coordinator, and most recently, head of lower school at SCH. She has been fully trained in the Reggio Emilia approach, and it has been part of her teaching philosophy for years.

ECC is also supported by administrative and classroom staff as well as special guest teachers in art and music.

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