



Welcome to Norwalk Early Childhood Center

2023-2024

Family Orientation



NECC Meet and Greet

August 25th 2:00-3:00

Come to NECC and meet your teacher and
receive your NECC identification tag for your backpack!



NECC, creating a close community for students and parents in a safe, engaging play-based learning environment.





NECC's Vision

NECC Owl Outcomes

- Every student
- Every need
- Everyday
- Socially & Emotionally
- Academically
- Personal Independence

Three Types of Play



NECC believes in and utilizes, throughout the day, three types of play.

- Free play- unstructured, voluntary, child-initiated activities that are performed by a child for self-amusement and have behavioral, social, and psychomotor rewards. Free play may be structured to promote activities that are child-directed, joyful, and spontaneous.
- Guided play- learning experiences that combine the child directed nature of free play with a focus on learning outcome and adult guidance.
- Play-based learning-a pedagogical approach that emphasizes play in promoting learning and includes developmentally appropriate strategies that can be integrated with exciting learning standards.

NECC has earned accreditation in National Association of Education of Young Children

What is the benefit of the NAEYC accreditation?

As a reputable indicator of quality, NAEYC Accreditation correlates with children's greater readiness and success in school and beyond; increased educational attainment rates; and overall healthier lifestyles.

NECC School Hours

1/2 day am program 3 yr. olds

8:45-11:45

4 days a week Monday-Thursday

1/2 day pm program 4 yr. olds

12:15-3:15

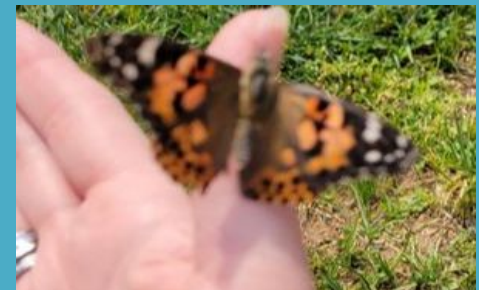
5 days a week Monday-Friday

Full day program 8:45-3:15

NECC's schedule is tight- Thank you for dropping off and picking up your child on time!



- NECC requests,
 - Send in extra clothes labeled in a Ziplock bag with your child's name
- Wear sneakers or comfortable shoes for outdoor play
- Sunblock/lotion should be applied prior to coming to school
- Bring a healthy snack and juice/water
- If your child is not yet toilet trained or is in training please provide diapers/pull ups and wipes to be left in the cubby for the summer. Please label these items as well.



NECC Administrators



Cesar Nina – Principal of NECC
email: ninac@norwalkps.org



Alison Huntington – Assistant Principal of NECC
email: huntingtona@norwalkps.org
NECC (203) 945-0320
In case of emergencies my work cell phone number is
(475) 444-9201

Classroom Teachers

Classroom 1 – Melissa Simeone

Classroom 2– Nikki Foley &
Courtney Redner

Classroom 3– Erin Schultz

Classroom 4– Erin Williams

Classroom 5– Sasha Harder

Classroom 6– Shari Keller

NECC Staff

Secretary - Jocelyn Smith

Social Worker - Jackie Morgan

School Psychologist- Dr. Emily Krol

Speech and Language- Courtney Sullivan

Speech and Language- Amy Roth

Speech and Language- Jodi Bailey

Physical Therapy- Laura Arduino

Itinerant Teacher- Paula Russell

Board Certified Behavior Analyst-

Vanessa Stultz

Board Certified Behavior

Analyst- Dagnery Muriel

SLP assistant- Vannessa Vitali

Occupational Therapist-

School Nurse- Barbara Essig



NECC Master Schedule 2023-2024

Classes with an am/pm schedule

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:45-9:00 or 12:15 - 1:00	Arrival -unpack belongings, put items away, hand-washing routine/bathroom if needed -begin exploration/fine motor centers (library, writing center, fine motor bins) Music Therapy 12:35- 1:05pm	Arrival -unpack belongings, put items away, hand-washing routine/bathroom if needed -begin exploration/fine motor centers (library, writing center, fine motor bins)	Arrival -unpack belongings, put items away, hand-washing routine/bathroom if needed -begin exploration/fine motor centers (library, writing center, fine motor bins)	Arrival -unpack belongings, put items away, hand-washing routine/bathroom if needed -begin exploration/fine motor centers (library, writing center, fine motor bins)	Arrival -unpack belongings, put items away, hand-washing routine/bathroom if needed -begin exploration/fine motor centers (library, writing center, fine motor bins)
9:00-9:15 or 1:00 - 1:15	Morning Meeting/movement -morning greet, calendar, weather, schedule, number/letter review, story, movement activity	Morning Meeting/movement -morning greet, calendar, weather, schedule, number/letter review, story, movement activity	Morning Meeting/movement -morning greet, calendar, weather, schedule, number/letter review, story, movement activity	Morning Meeting/movement -morning greet, calendar, weather, schedule, number/letter review, story, movement activity	Morning Meeting/movement -morning greet, calendar, weather, schedule, number/letter review, story, movement activity
9:15-9:30 or 1:15 - 1:30pm	Read Aloud -Attention to task, answering basic "wh" questions, recalling story, daily lesson, KWL Charts	Read Aloud -Attention to task, answering basic "wh" questions, recalling story, daily lesson, KWL Charts	Read Aloud -Attention to task, answering basic "wh" questions, recalling story, daily lesson, KWL Charts	Read Aloud -Attention to task, answering basic "wh" questions, recalling story, daily lesson, KWL Charts	Read Aloud -Attention to task, answering basic "wh" questions, recalling story, daily lesson, KWL Charts
30 minutes Time depending on Recess Schedule found below	Recess -gross/fine motor -social/peer interactions -problem solving -physical/emotional development -communication skills -collaboration and self control	Recess -gross/fine motor -social/peer interactions -problem solving -physical/emotional development -communication skills -collaboration and self control	Recess -gross/fine motor -social/peer interactions -problem solving -physical/emotional development -communication skills -collaboration and self control	Recess -gross/fine motor -social/peer interactions -problem solving -physical/emotional development -communication skills -collaboration and self control	Recess -gross/fine motor -social/peer interactions -problem solving -physical/emotional development -communication skills -collaboration and self control
10:00-10:30 or 2:00 - 2:30	Snack/ Bathroom -handwashing/bathroom routine -snack/meal conversations -communication skills -fine motor skills -self help skills	Snack/ Bathroom -handwashing/bathroom routine -snack/meal conversations -communication skills -fine motor skills -self help skills	Snack/ Bathroom -handwashing/bathroom routine -snack/meal conversations -communication skills -fine motor skills -self help skills	Snack/ Bathroom -handwashing/bathroom routine -snack/meal conversations -communication skills -fine motor skills -self help skills	Snack/ Bathroom -handwashing/bathroom routine -snack/meal conversations -communication skills -fine motor skills -self help skills
10:35-11:30 or 2:30 - 3:15	Thematic Centers -social interactions with peers, letter ID, math skills(counting, sorting, shapes, comparing, number ID), dramatic play (pretend play), art (fine motor/cutting, gluing), block center (creating designs, buildings, creations), sensory table (exploring, water play, investigating)	Thematic Centers -social interactions with peers, letter ID, math skills(counting, sorting, shapes, comparing, number ID), dramatic play (pretend play), art (fine motor/cutting, gluing), block center (creating designs, buildings, creations), sensory table (exploring, water play, investigating)	Thematic Centers -social interactions with peers, letter ID, math skills(counting, sorting, shapes, comparing, number ID), dramatic play (pretend play), art (fine motor/cutting, gluing), block center (creating designs, buildings, creations), sensory table (exploring, water play, investigating)	Thematic Centers -social interactions with peers, letter ID, math skills(counting, sorting, shapes, comparing, number ID), dramatic play (pretend play), art (fine motor/cutting, gluing), block center (creating designs, buildings, creations), sensory table (exploring, water play, investigating)	Thematic Centers -social interactions with peers, letter ID, math skills(counting, sorting, shapes, comparing, number ID), dramatic play (pretend play), art (fine motor/cutting, gluing), block center (creating designs, buildings, creations), sensory table (exploring, water play, investigating)
11:30-11:45 3:15 - 3:30	Pack-up dismissal Pack up belongings/bathroom -using organizational skills	Pack-up dismissal Pack up belongings/bathroom -using organizational skills	Pack-up dismissal Pack up belongings/bathroom -using organizational skills	Pack-up dismissal Pack up belongings/bathroom -using organizational skills	Pack-up dismissal Pack up belongings/bathroom -using organizational skills

Full day classroom schedule

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8:45	Arrival - unpacking - Handwashing - Check-in - Question of the day	Arrival - unpacking - Handwashing - Check-in - question of the day	Arrival - unpacking - Handwashing - Check-in - Question of the day	Arrival - unpacking - Handwashing - Check-in - Question of the day	Arrival - unpacking - Handwashing - Check-in - Question of the day
9:00	Table Toy/breakfast	Table Toys/breakfast	Table Toys/breakfast	Table Toys/breakfast	Table Toy/breakfast
9:30	Morning Meeting - Calendar - Greeting - Movement - Bathroom	Morning Meeting - Calendar - Greeting - Movement - Bathroom	Morning Meeting - Calendar - Greeting - Movement - Bathroom	Morning Meeting - Calendar - Greeting - Movement - Bathroom	Morning Meeting - Calendar - Greeting - Movement - Bathroom
10:00	Snack/work bin	Snack/work bin	Snack/work bin	Snack/work bin	Snack/ work bin
10:30	WOW Content Meeting - Alphabet - Read aloud - WOW center explanation	WOW Content Meeting - Alphabet - Read aloud - WOW center explanation	WOW Content Meeting - Alphabet - Read aloud - WOW center explanation	WOW Content Meeting - Alphabet - Read aloud - WOW center explanation	WOW Content Meeting - Alphabet - Read aloud - WOW center explanation
10:50	WOW centers/small group - Blocks - Pretend play - Art - Math - Reading - Writing - Sensory	WOW centers/small group - Blocks - Pretend play - Art - Math - Reading - Writing - Sensory	WOW centers/small group - Blocks - Pretend play - Art - Math - Reading - Writing - Sensory	WOW centers/small group - Blocks - Pretend play - Art - Math - Reading - Writing - Sensory	WOW centers/small group - Blocks - Pretend play - Art - Math - Reading - Writing - Sensory
11:40	Clean up	Clean up	Clean up	Clean up	Clean up
11:45	Read Aloud - Bathroom - Jackets	Read Aloud - Bathroom - Jackets	11:35-12:05 Music - Bathroom - Jackets	Read Aloud - Bathroom - Jackets	Read Aloud - Bathroom - Jackets
12:00	Outside	Outside	Outside	Outside	Outside
1:00	Lunch/handwashing	Lunch/handwashing	Lunch/handwashing	Lunch/handwashing	Lunch/handwashing
1:30	Rest time	Rest time	Rest time	Rest time	Rest time

2:30	Wake up • put away bedding • bathroom • pack up backpacks	Wake up • put away bedding • bathroom • pack up backpacks	Wake up • put away bedding • bathroom • pack up backpacks	Wake up • put away bedding • bathroom • pack up backpacks	Wake up • put away bedding • bathroom • pack up backpacks
2:45	Closing circle/read aloud	Closing circle/read aloud	Closing circle/read aloud	Closing circle/read aloud	Closing circle/read aloud
3:00-3:15	Dismissal • snack • free play	Dismissal • snack • free play	Dismissal • snack • free play	Dismissal • snack • free play	Dismissal • snack • free play

Norwalk Public Schools 2023-24 School Calendar



Approved 8/15/2023

Aug 2023 (4 days)				
M	T	W	T	F
	1	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
14	15	16	17	18
21 ^{NT}	22 ^{NT}	23 ^{CV}	24 ^{PD}	25 ^{PD}
28 ^{KSE}	29 ^{KSE}	30	31	

Sept 2023 (19 days)				
M	T	W	T	F
				1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

Oct 2023 (20 days)				
M	T	W	T	F
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
23 ^{ED}	24	25	26	27
30	31			

Nov 2023 (18 days)				
M	T	W	T	F
		1	2	3
6	7	8 ^C	9 ^{CE}	10
13	14 ^C	15 ^C	16 ^{CN}	17 ^C
20	21 ^C	22 ^{ED}	23	24
27	28 ^C	29 ^C	30 ^C	

Dec 2023 (16 days)				
M	T	W	T	F
				1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

Jan 2024 (21 days)				
M	T	W	T	F
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29 ^{ED}	30	31		

Feb 2024 (16 days)				
M	T	W	T	F
			1	2
5	6	7	8	9
12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	23
26 [*]	27	28	29	

Mar 2024 (20 days)				
M	T	W	T	F
				1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13 ^C	14 ^{CE}	15 ^C
18	19 ^C	20 ^C	21 ^{CN}	22 ^C
25 ^{ED}	26 ^C	27 ^C	28 ^C	29

April 2024 (16 days)				
M	T	W	T	F
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29 ^{ED}	30			

May 2024 (22 days)				
M	T	W	T	F
		1	2	3
6	7	8	9	10
13 ^{ED}	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	31

June 2024 (10 days)				
M	T	W	T	F
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13 ^{ED}	14 ^{ED}
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28

July 2024				
M	T	W	T	F
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30	31		

KEY:

- First Day of School
- Holidays, No School
- Early Dismissal
- PD/Staff Days, No School

- KSE Kindergarten Staggered Entry
- NT New Teachers Report
- CV Convocation/All Teachers Report
- PD Professional Development Day

- C K-5 Conferences
- CNCE K-5 Conferences, 90 Min. Early Dismissal
- ED 2-Hour Early Dismissal
- *Kindergarten Registration Opens

Backpack Identification Tags

All students have been provided with a backpack identification tag during the Meet and Greet on August 25th 2:00–3:00 at NECC.

The tag should be in a plastic protective sleeve and attached to your child's backpack with a silver ring.

The information on the tag is:

- The child's name and photograph
- Classroom number
- Days of the week the child attends
- Dismissal plans

*Please let us know if any of the information on the tag is incorrect and we will provide an updated tag!



Important Information-update

Communication:

- Home to School Information via Parent Square
- Instructional Updates
 - may consist of
 - Emails, Phone Calls

Transportation:

- Students receiving bus transportation will be notified.



Home / School Connection



PTO virtual Meetings
held the last Tuesday evening of every
month!

Month Virtual Parent
Information Meetings

Field Day

Read Alouds



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