

YWCA Child Care Center

Social, physical, cognitive, and emotional education takes place within two spacious rooms on the second floor of the YWCA building. Our preschool offers activities for youngsters ages 3 to 5.

The program uses the **on-site gym** with recreational equipment, **heated pool**, and adjacent **playground**.

We model our efforts on the standards of the schools our students will enter. We aim for a balance of **academic and social growth**. Our children learn school readiness skills, helping each child to reach his or her full potential.

School readiness skills include: understanding and following instructions, communicating with others, expressing feelings appropriately, knowing how to share, and being eager to learn and try new experiences.

Features of the program

- Structured day with breakfast, lunch, afternoon nap, and snack (depending on attendance)
- Socialization & self-care skills
- Arts & crafts
- Music, movement & exercise
- Cross-curricular learning
- Language & literacy growth
- Gated outdoor playground and indoor gym
- Sign-in/sign-out safety
- Parent information board
- Online information (ywcaelmira.org)
- Meal menus
- Parent handbook
- On-street parking
- Communication with staff
- **Subsidy funding from Child Care Council is accepted** for parents who qualify. Call the Chemung County Child Care Council at 734-3941 for more information.

What sets the YWCA apart from other preschools?

- New York State licensed day care center
- Small class sizes
- In-house swimming weekly
- Pre-reading skills
- Communication between parents and staff
- Progress monitoring
- Social & emotional skills
- Experienced and dedicated staff
- Problem-solving skills
- Community resources through guest speakers

**Child Care Center Fees
Preschool and Self-pay Pre-kindergarten**

Number of days	Hours per day	Fee
Full time 4-5 days/week	6 – 10 hours/day	\$160.00/ week
Part time, 1-3 days per week	6-10 hours/day	\$ 34.00/ 1 day per week 68.00/ 2 days per week 102.00/ 3 days per week
Part time, per half day	3-6 hours/day	\$ 23.00/ half day

Holiday Closings: New Year’s Day, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Presidents’ Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, day after Thanksgiving, Christmas Day.

Annual Membership/ Registration Fee: Membership is \$45 per family, registration per child is \$30. These fees are waived if the family qualifies for subsidy from Child Care Council.

Notice of Withdrawal: Please give the director 2 weeks’ notice of a child’s withdrawal from care *in writing*.

Returned Check Fee: \$30 per returned check

Late Fee: \$25 will be assessed if payments are later than one week.

10 Hour Limit Fee: An additional charge of \$10.00 will be added for every 15 minutes (or part thereof) over ten hours of care for one day. This fee will not be covered by subsidy.

After Closing Fee: A fee of \$10.00 for every 15 minutes (or part thereof) will be charged after 5:30. This fee will not be covered by subsidy.

Preschool Program, ages 3-5

The preschool program is appropriate for children ages 3-5 and is open from 7:00am until 5:30pm.

Universal Pre-kindergarten Program, ages 4-5

Our pre-kindergarten program serves children living in the Elmira City School District who will be four years old on or before December 1 of that school year.

We follow the school district curriculum and provide the same school readiness activities that the preschool program teaches. The program runs from 8:30am

until 1:15 pm on Mondays, and 2:00 pm on Tuesdays through Fridays. It follows the school district calendar for holidays, summer vacation, and snow days.

The first several slots in the program are free to those who enroll with the school district. Children who meet the age requirement can participate in this program for the preschool program rates (see above chart) if all of the free slots have been taken. Only full time participants will be accepted into the pre-kindergarten program. To determine your child’s eligibility, please call the YWCA at 733-5575.

Wraparound care is available before and after school, on holidays, and in summer.

Wraparound Fees (UPK children only)

Type of care	Days per week	Cost
Full time (before & after school)	4-5 days	\$365.00/month
Part time(before & after school)	3 days	\$252.00/month
Per diem (before & after school)	1-2 days	\$ 20.00/day
Half Day	Used for parent conference days	\$ 23.00/day
Full Day	School holidays, snow days	\$ 34.00/day

Please call the Child Care Center Director for enrollment paperwork, to schedule a visit, or for more information.

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