



# **School Day Pre-School Openings** Available!

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### **School Day Pre-School** 9:00am-3:00pm | Starts August 31st

- Mixed age group of children entering Kindergarten in Fall 2024 or 2025
- Follows Colchester School Calendar (weather-related closures, late openings, early dismissals, no school days, vacation weeks, etc.)
- 5 day & 3 day options available
- Cognition- Developing attention, managing waiting and transitions, following the classroom routine. | Participating in investigations, sustaining attention to a task for longer periods of time, making comparisons, trying multiple strategies to solve a problem, planning out play in advance
- **Social-Emotional Development** Naming emotions, basic communication with peers and adults, interacting with peers, attempting new tasks. | Describing emotions and personal preferences, responding appropriately to limits set by adults, engaging in cooperative play.
- 0 Motor Skills- Jumping, kicking, and throwing, developing fine motor skills, learning to use writing/painting tools. Coordinating more complex movements, writing and drawing with precision, more advanced cutting, using a mature pencil grasp.
- Language & Literacy- Engaging in conversation, fostering a love of reading, demonstrating book handling skills, basic comprehension. | Letter formations, retell stories, main component of a story, pre-reading skills, recognize name, letter sound connections, begin early writing of stories.
- Math & Science- Beginning to recognize some written numbers, recognizing measurable attributes, sorting and classifying, 0 developing questioning skills and making observations. | Counting aloud to 20, recognizing written numbers to 10, early addition and subtraction, comparing attributes of objects, representing data, engaging in collaborative explorations, making predictions.
- Social Studies- Supporting a sense of self & participating in the classroom community. | Understanding differences in others, develop community understanding.

## What sets CASTLE apart?

#### An Exceptional Learning Experience

A unique, developmentally appropriate, standards-guided curriculum that is developed as the year goes on with our current children in mind.

#### **Ongoing Feedback of your Child's Growth** and **Development**

CASTLE teachers use the CT Documentation and Observation for Teaching System (CT DOTS) to provide each family with a written assessment in Fall and Spring. Parent conferences and other screening tools are used throughout the year.

#### Low Child-to-Teacher Ratios

Preschool ratio in the State of CT is 1 teacher to 10 children. Our classrooms consist of 2-3 teachers with 16 children, allowing for more focused and meaningful interactions between teacher and child.

#### A Commitment to Professional Learning

CASTLE is committed to staying current on best practices in early childhood. Our staff far exceed professional development hours required by the State of CT. Our teachers attend professional learning conferences to ensure we are up-to-date on best practices in the field of early learning.