Early Childhood Development and Education Center Pre-K Program

The Early Childhood Development and Education Center at Kennedy Krieger Institute offers a Maryland State Department of Educationaccredited program for preschool children 3 and 4 years old. The center provides enriching, developmentally appropriate, comprehensive

learning experiences for all children. Its low student-to-staff member ratio allows staff members to meet each child's learning and emotional needs while supporting each family in creating a strong home-school connection.

EARLY LEARNING CLASSROOMS

In this pre-K program, we provide an inclusive environment in which typically developing children and children who are neurodivergent learn and develop, side by side. This program features small class sizes and promotes inclusion and diversity within a child- and family-centered environment.

COST

This program is free to families whose income is no more than 300% above the federal poverty line (see chart at right). Families will be asked to provide proof of income during the registration process.

LOCATION

Early Childhood Development and Education Center at Kennedy Kreiger Institute 7000 Tudsbury Road, Windsor Mill, MD 21244 *Transportation is not provided*.

HOURS

8:30 a.m.–3 p.m., Monday–Friday

CRITERIA

- Child must be 3 or 4 years old on September 1, 2024.
- Child must be a Maryland resident.
- Family income must be at or below 300% of the federal poverty line.
- Family income criteria do not apply for children with a current IEP or Extended IFSP, children for whom English is not the primary language spoken in the home, and children experiencing homelessness.
- Families must provide transportation for their child.
- Parent/guardian participation in family engagement and family education activities is strongly encouraged.

CLASSROOM HIGHLIGHTS

- Free breakfast, lunch and afternoon snack
- Maryland State Department of Education standards-based curriculum
- Customized Child-Family Learning Plans
- Certified early childhood and special educators
- A mix of teacher- and child-directed learning and play, with literacy, science and math activities and play-based learning centers
- Family-centered support and engagement program
- Speech-language, occupational and physical therapies available
- On-site social workers
- Music therapy
- Young athletes program

INCOME GUIDELINES

Families must be at or below:

Household Size	300% Above Federal Poverty Line
1	\$45,180
2	\$61,320
3	\$77,460
4	\$93,600
5	\$109,740
6	\$125,880
7	\$142,020
8	\$158,160

HOW TO APPLY

Visit **KennedyKrieger.org/ELC** to learn more and apply today! This program is made possible by a grant from the Maryland State Department of Education.

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