

Fees/Registration

All payments are to be made in advance of care.

Annual Registration Fee: \$400

The Annual Registration Fee covers the school session from August 10, 2026 - August 5, 2027.

Full-Time Tuition Rates

INFANTS

Kitten Room \$300/wk (6 weeks-12 months)

Butterfly Room \$285/wk (10-18 months)

Puppy Room \$285/wk (10-18 months)

TODDLERS

Dolphin Room \$275/wk (16-30 months)

PRESCHOOLERS

Bear Room \$265/wk (2-3 years)

Gator Room \$265/wk (2 1/2-3 1/2 years)

Bunny Room \$260/wk (3-4 1/2 years)

VPK (with certificate)

3 hours (9-12) Covered with VPK voucher

Wrap Care \$200/wk

Shining Stars \$255/wk (4 by Sept. 1 - 5 years)
(Non-instructional days and summer)

Please complete the enrollment and consent forms using black ink. The enrollment form must be signed by both parents and notarized. VPK certificates should be included for all children entering the Shining Stars class. The completed forms with the registration fee are due to the school office by March 27, 2026. Note: the registration fee is non-refundable.

School Closings

09/07/26	Labor Day
11/26/26	Thanksgiving
11/27/26	Thanksgiving Holiday
12/24/26	Christmas Eve
12/25/26	Christmas
12/31/26	New Year's Eve
01/01/27	New Year's Day
01/18/27	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
01/19/27	Professional Day
03/05/27	Professional Day- CPA Conference
03/26/27	Good Friday
05/31/27	Memorial Day
07/05/27	Independence Day
08/06/27	Professional Day (estimated)

Contact Us

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Location *The Early Care Center is a part of First United Methodist Church in downtown Sarasota near Five Points. Located on the ground floor of the Family Life Center, the entrance on Mira Mar Court has accessible parking for delivery and pick-up of children.*

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The First United Methodist Church Early Care Center ministers to young children and their families providing a quality educational program which promotes developmentally appropriate growth: spiritually, physically, socially, emotionally, and cognitively.

Ages and Hours

Early Care Center serves families with children ages 6 weeks through 5 years.

HOURS: Monday - Friday 7:30am - 5:30pm



Food and Formula

Parents provide their child's lunch and formula which are refrigerated and heated at the center. The center provides nutritious morning and afternoon snacks.



- ★ Provides a safe and healthy environment.
- ★ Provides a staff of loving, qualified teachers.
- ★ Provides indoor and outdoor play areas with age-appropriate toys, equipment and curriculum.
- ★ Encourages curiosity about the child's world.
- ★ Encourages language development.
- ★ Encourages self-esteem with positive reinforcements.
- ★ Provides social opportunities.
- ★ Provides new learning experiences.
- ★ Provides a Christian environment, allowing children to experience the wonders of God's love.
- ★ Understands and values the importance of "parents as child's first teachers."
- ★ Encourages creative expression through art, music and creative movement.
- ★ Locked facility with an open door policy.
- ★ Participates in the Florida VPK Program.
- ★ Accredited by the Christian Preschool Association.
- ★ Designated as a Gold Seal Quality Care Program.
- ★ Daily parent/teacher communication through ProCare app.



The Staff

Our teachers are chosen for their experience in working with infants and young children. Each employee has had background screenings by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Florida Abuse Hotline Information System, and the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE).

All staff members have completed state-required courses in Florida Early Childhood Professional Development, literacy training, First Aid, CPR, AED and 24 hours annually of in-service training in early childhood education.

