

Questions on Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE)?



Northfield Public Schools (ISD #659) has answers:

Northfield Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE) is an enjoyable, informal place to learn with other parents and meet new friends. Most classes begin with parent and child interaction time. First, hands-on art, science, literacy and music activities are planned around weekly themes. Children then get a chance to practice their independence and peer interaction skills while parents separate to another room for discussion led by a parent educator.

Goals of ECFE:	Typical Daily Schedule: (avg. class time 1.5 hours)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Give children opportunities to learn & discover. • Support parents in raising their children. • Offer information about parenting & child development. • Help parents & their children communicate with each other. • Promote positive parenting skills and attitudes. • Provide information on community resources. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome • Interactive play, art & activities with parents. (30 min.) • Circle time with caregivers. (15 min.) • Snack while caregivers separate. • Adults take time to talk with other adults & facilitated discussions with a parent educator. (45 min.) • Children have time to explore & learn together with an early childhood teacher. • Closing circle & goodbyes.

More Information:

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