

Fair Garden Family and Community Service Center

The facility contains a teacher training center, teacher work rooms, observation room, reading recovery room, parent center, a lending library, a parent computer lab, nine preschool computer centers, and an observation room. The enrollment capacity is 159 students: three and four year olds. A certified classroom teacher and an educational assistant are assigned to each preschool classroom with an adult-child ratio of 2:16.

Fair Garden's faculty consists of one administrator, nine certified preschool teachers, one certified school social worker, one school nurse, one secretary, twelve educational assistants, three cafeteria assistants, two bus drivers, one domestic assistant, and two custodians.

Program services are offered from 6:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Classroom instruction and activities are developmentally appropriate to meet the children's needs. Children receive many opportunities to have hands-on instruction and learn through play. Classrooms are set up in interest centers, which include manipulatives, books, blocks, paint, listening center, dramatic play, and computers. Children receive music and movement education. All children participate in the (RIF) Reading Is Fundamental program three times a year. All classrooms implement the (CMCD) Classroom Discipline and Move It Math techniques and strategies that other Knox County Project Grad elementary schools implement.

Parents must be working, in training or in school during these hours for children to participate. Fair Garden operates year-round, enhancing the regular school year's academic program with a Summer Enrichment Program for a limited number of preschoolers. Fair Garden actively involves parents, community members and organizations in center activities. Preschool students offer performances during the school year at Winterfest and Springfest to demonstrate their skills and talents for family and community members. Each spring, the preschool students have a celebration event recognizing those who have completed the preschool program.

The community is very much involved in complementing the mission of the center. The Cokesbury Clothing Center and Angel Tree organizations generously aid our families. Partnerships with Jarnigan and Sons Mortuary, the 100 Black Men of Greater Knoxville, Inc., Burlington Printing, Toyota of Knoxville, Lexus of Knoxville, Access Med-Plus, and Little Caesar's Pizza have assisted greatly toward the achievement of program goals. Our newest partnerships, Cokesbury United Methodist Church and The City Ballet have given support by volunteering services, donating books to create a school library and provided an after school ballet program "Rising Stars."

Fair Garden is an exciting place to be where visitors and volunteers are always welcome. The vision of Fair Garden Family and Community Service Center continues to progress. The faculty and administration are dedicated to improving and expanding the services Fair Garden offers to its students, families, and the community.

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