

School Readiness Begins Now!

We believe that the early years are the foundation for future school success! We teach and encourage children to think and problem solve- skills for life. We also focus on social skills which are the building blocks of school readiness. We use an on-going strength based assessment to individualize our approach for each & every child!



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*Opening
Doors to the
Future!*

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The **Salida Early Childhood Center** serves as a community information center for families. We focus on developing a positive self concept & sound learning skills. Our programs provide developmentally appropriate learning experiences and activities that nurture children .

Our staff assist and support families by encouraging self-sufficiency skills and providing information about local resources in the areas of family, health, education & special services.

Early Childhood Council

Chaffee County's Coordinator of the Early Childhood Council is housed at our site.. The Council helps with community collaboration and education for families and providers throughout Chaffee County and links them to the State systems.

We are more than just a Head Start:

Preschool (3-5 year olds)

Play based hands-on curriculum taught by CDE licensed teachers.

Funded by:

Head Start, Colorado Preschool Program, Tuition Based Preschool & Special Education Services

Early Head Start (0-3 years & pregnant moms)

We have 24 center based spots for children at least one year and walking. Our Home Visitor option works with parents in the home prenatally until the child is three years old or enters the center.

Two's Early Learning Program

A private preschool for children 2-3 years old with it's own separate license.

Nurturing Parenting Program

Serves families with children ages 0-5 years in an inclusive parenting program.

Youth in Action

After school mentoring program for pre-schoolers and middle schoolers based on literacy.

A Healthy Environment=Strong kids and a healthy future!

We are proud to be a green building. Extra time and money was dedicated to ensure the sustainability and the viability of this facility. The design used local and recycled materials, and resources that meet the Leadership In Energy Efficiency and Design model. The landscaping and use of native plants helps to contribute to our green building. In addition the building was built using grant funds, local craftsman and volunteers.

We have a hands on recycling program. All of the children & staff are involved in reducing, re-using and recycling at our school.

All our meals are healthy and made on-sight in our kitchen.

