



A
GUIDE TO AREA

**PRESCHOOL
AND
DAYCARE
PROGRAMS**

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This directory of preschool and daycare programs was compiled by the Shenendehowa PTA Council Preschool Committee.

This directory includes only those licensed preschool and daycare programs located within the Shenendehowa Central School District boundaries.

Before placing your child in any program, talk with the director and make an appointment to visit the school. Decide which program is most likely to fulfill your child's needs.

If you would like to find out more about our group, please send an e-mail to preschoolpta@cliftonpark.org or call Evelyn at 373-2320 or Kate at 280-1176.

Here is some information about our Children's Programs for the [2008/2009](#) school year. The programs will be held at the Shenendehowa United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

November 12th, 13th Children's Program: CMOST, (Children's Museum of Science and Technology), Animal Show – "Leaping Lizards & Rocking Reptiles". Shows are at 9:30 am and 1:00 pm each day. Children 2 and up are \$4. Adults are free.

January 14th, 15th Children's Program: Andy "The Music Man" Morse. Shows are at 9:30 am and 1:00 pm each day. Children 2 and up are \$4. Adults are free. Snow dates are January 21st and January 22nd.

March 11th, 12th Children's Program: Lake George Opera – "The Three Billy Goats Gruff". Shows are at 9:30 am and 1:00 pm each day. Children 2 and up are \$4. Adults are free.

Preschool and Daycare Open House

January 6th Our OPEN HOUSE for Preschools and Daycares from 6:30 – 8:00pm. Snow date January 8th. Held in the Tesago & Skano Cafeterias. Free.

ABC NURSERY SCHOOL

**13 Old Route 146
Clifton Park, NY 12065
(518) 373-8222
(518) 383-1564 (fax)**

Director: Michell I. Manchester

Ages: Preschool to Fifth Grade

Sessions offered:

Tuesday/Thursday	3 years old Nursery Program	9am - 11:30 & 12 - 2:30pm
Mon/Wed/Fri	4 years old Pre-K	9am - 11:30 & 12 - 2:30pm
Monday – Friday	5 Day Pre-K (ages 4 &5)	9am - 11:30 & 12 - 2:30pm
Monday - Friday	Kindergarten Wraparound	11am - 2:30pm
Monday – Friday	After school Enrichment Program (Ages Kindergarten – 5 th grade)	2:30pm - 6:00pm

Prices: Available on request

Season: Year round programs

Program: To provide children with a friendly and warm environment that enriches their educational experience. We offer field trips, guest speakers, music, and much more.

ACADEMY NURSERY SCHOOL

**41 Werner Road
Clifton Park, NY 12065
(518) 664-7440**

Director: Kathy Ross / Dianne Burke

Ages: 2 - 4 year olds

Sessions Offered:

2 year old playgroups	Contact Patti Crisafulli
3 year old	Tuesday/Thursday 9:00 am – 11:30 am 12:30 pm – 3:00 pm
4 year old	Mon/Wed/Fri 9:00 am – 11:30 am 12:30 pm – 3:00 pm Monday through Friday 12:30 pm-3:00 pm

Prices: Call for prices and information

Season: School Calendar; 6-week summer program

Program: The Academy Nursery School is an Integrated Nursery School Program. We strive to help children develop confidence, independence, creativity and a love for learning. We offer a language rich learning environment and highly skilled staff. Our curriculum is designed to facilitate development in children of all abilities. It is our desire to work with parents as a team for the benefit of their children.

BRITE BEGINNINGS DAYCARE & DEVELOPMENT CENTER

**985 Route 146
Clifton Park, NY 12065
(518) 383-3933**

Owner: Sally Sambrook

Director: Carol Taylor

Ages: 6 weeks through 5 years

Sessions offered: Open 7:00 am to 5:30 pm

Tuition: Call for prices

Season: Year Round

Program: Structured programs within a loving, caring and learning environment.
Preschool 1 – room for 3 yr olds focusing on preschool
Preschool 2 – room for 4 yr olds focusing on preschool
Kindergarten – room for 5 yr olds attending half day kindergarten in the district

CHILDTIME CHILDREN CENTER

**853 Route 146
Clifton Park, NY 12065
(518) 373-0506**

Director: Stephanie Keaton

Ages: 6 weeks – school age

Sessions offered: 7:00 am to 6:00 pm

Infant: 6 weeks – 9 months, 9 months – 18 months
Toddler: 18 - 24 months, 24 – 30 months, 30 – 36 months
Preschool: 3 years old, 4 years old, Kindergarten B/A school
School age: 1st to 5th grades

Season: All Year, summer programs for school age

Tuition: Call for prices

Program: Art activities, structural learning activities, music, games, child initiated free play, emphasis on Pre-K educational knowledge and self help skills.

We also offer a curriculum in Spanish and Sign Language.

CLIFTON PARK CENTER BAPTIST PRESCHOOL

**713 Clifton Park Center Road
Clifton Park, NY 12065
(518) 371-6023**

Educational Director: Judy Kaiser

Administrative Director: Deborah Johnson

Ages: 3 -5 year olds

Sessions Offered: Teacher to student ratio

3 year olds	Tuesday/Thursday	12:30 – 3:00	1:8
4 year olds	Mon/Wed/Fri	9:00-11:30	1:11
Pre-K (4 &5 yr olds)	Tuesday - Friday	9:15 – 11:45	1:11
	Tuesday – Friday	12:30 – 3:00	1:11

Price: Upon Request

Season: September through May (Registration begins in **JANUARY**)

Program: A nondenominational Christian nursery school established in 1968, registered with the NY State Education Department. The programs provide developmentally appropriate experiences in a calm, loving and caring environment.
Please check our web site: www.cliftonparkcenterbaptist.org and click on “preschool” or e-mail office@cliftonparkcenterbaptist.org “Attention Preschool.”

CLIFTON PARK COOPERATIVE NURSERY SCHOOL – “Little Red School House”

**344 Moe Road
Clifton Park, NY 12065
(518) 371-5850**

Teacher: Barbara Adams

Ages: 3 - 5 year olds

Sessions Offered:

3 year olds	Tuesday/Thursday	9:00 - 11:30
3 year olds	Tuesday/Thursday	12:30 – 3:00
4 year olds	Monday/Wednesday/Friday	9:00 - 11:30
4 year olds	Monday/Wednesday/Friday	12:30 - 3:00

Prices: Registration Fee - \$50.00 (non-refundable)
Three Year olds - \$90.00/month
Four Year olds - \$105.00/month

Season: September through May

Program: We believe the years from 3 to 5 are a period of tremendous intellectual and emotional growth. At these ages, children are eager and ready to learn. At CPNS children are encouraged to try out their ideas, experiment and use materials creatively. By working together in a truly cooperative fashion, the teacher and parents can create an exciting, loving, learning atmosphere where children can grow and flourish.

Website: www.cliftonparknurseryschool.org

*****COUNTRY KNOLLS NURSERY SCHOOL*****

**19 Thunderbird Drive
Country Knolls
Ballston Lake, NY 12019
(518) 877-7401**

Director: Paula Davis

Ages: 3, 4 and 5 year olds

Sessions Offered:

3 years old	Tues & Thurs AM 9-11:30
3 years old	Tues & Thurs PM 12:30-3
4 & 5 years old	Monday, Wednesday & Fridays AM 9-11:30
4 & 5 years old	Monday, Wednesday & Fridays PM 12:30-3

Prices: Upon Request

Season: September through June (Shen calendar)

Program: We are a private nursery school that has been in operation since 1972. Our school offers a unique neighborhood setting that provides for small class sizes with two experienced teachers. Our program provides children with many music, art, and educational experiences. Learning should be fun and we believe children learn through interaction with their peers and exploring their environment.

*****Crown Jewels Daycare Center*****

**1612 Crescent Road
Clifton Park, NY 12065
(518) 280-3616
crownjewels18@yahoo.com**

Director: Suzanne Currier-Aproian, Ph.D.

Ages: 3 to 5 years

Sessions Offered:

Full Time
Part Time

Season: Open all year from 7:30 to 5:30. Closed on Major Holidays and three weeks in the summer where referrals are provided for childcare.

Program: We are a daycare center that offers a full day preschool and prekindergarten program integrated into a daycare center. Preschoolers learn from a biblically based curriculum that focuses on academic preparation and moral development. Our staff are highly educated and committed to children and to their faith. We are a non-denominational program. We are set in a serene, residential neighborhood in Clifton Park right off exit 8 of the Northway. We are a newly renovated facility with a great fenced in playground area where your child can feel at home but have the benefit of a daycare center. Our director is a Ph.D. Psychologist who offers a full assessment to the children transitioning from the preschool program into the pre kindergarten program and those entering into kindergarten. We would love to give you a tour, answer your questions about our program and meet your crown jewel. Call Dr Suzanne anytime @ 280-3616 or 588-9458.

HEAD START FAMILY EDUCATION PROGRAM

**25 Fern Lane
Turf Community Mobile Home Park
Clifton Park, NY 12065
(518) 383-5412**

Region Director: Barb Adams

Ages: Prenatal to 5 years

Tuition: No cost – Head Start is a federally funded program for families with limited income.

Season: Head Start – School Calendar, year round in certain locations
Early Head Start – Year Round

Program: There are three components to the program: Early Head Start which serves expectant moms and children to three years of age in a home based program. Home Based Head Start serving 3-5 year olds in a home based program and a center based program for children 3-5 years old. All programs are comprehensive in nature and seek to assist the whole family.

HELPING HANDS

**41 Werner Road
Clifton Park, NY 12065
(518) 664-5066 or (518) 664-8265**

Director: Kathy Ross / Dianne Burke

Ages: Birth-Five years (with developmental disabilities)

Sessions Offered: 2 Sessions: 9:00 am - 11:30 am
12:30 pm -3:00 pm
1 Session: 9:00 am -1:00 pm

Prices: None - funded program

Season: School Calendar; 6-week summer program

Program: A nonprofit preschool for children with special needs. The goal is to meet the individual needs of each child and to foster readiness skills to maximize success in public school. The Early Intervention Program serves children from birth until they are ready for preschool services. It is a family-centered program for “at-risk” infants with developmental disabilities and diagnosed handicaps. The preschool classroom placements are limited to a maximum of 12 children. In addition there are 5 integrated classrooms. These programs are designed to stimulate the development of receptive and expressive language. Individual therapy can also be provided in conjunction with regular/nursery and preschool programs. The program is offered without cost to the parents of children who qualify for admission and transportation may be provided. Call for more information and to set up a tour.

KIDZ LODGE
Southern Saratoga YMCA
1 Wall Street
Clifton Park, NY 12065
(518) 881-0055

Director: Heather Eddings

Ages: 6 weeks to 12 years

<u>Sessions Offered:</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Member/Non-member fee</u>
	6 weeks-18 months	7 am-6 pm	\$215/\$220 per week
	19 – 36 months	7 am-6 pm	\$205/\$210 per week
	3-4 year olds	7 am-6 pm	\$195/\$200 per week
	KCARE (Kindergarten)	9 am-3 pm	\$60/\$65 per week
	Before KCARE	7 am-9 am	\$37/\$42 per week
	After KCARE	3 pm-6 pm	\$50/\$55 per week
	Kindergarten Wrap	7 am-6 pm	\$140/\$145 per week
	Y's Time (1 st to 5 th grade) Dismissal until 6 pm		\$70/\$75 per week

Season: Year Round

Program: The programs offered will provide for working parents and children in the community a unique, safe, high-quality early learning and adventure experience. Enrichments include: Creative Curriculum, Creative Arts, Indoor/Outdoor Play/Fitness, Literacy, Science/Math, Small/Large Group Activities, Daily Lunch/Snack.

KINDERCARE LEARNING CENTER
518 Vischer Ferry Road
Clifton Park, NY 12065
348-0233

Director: Jennifer Pitts

Ages: 6 weeks to 12 years

Sessions Offered: Full time; part-time; full day; half day

Season: All year

Tuition: Depends on age and number of days

Program: Whole child: developmentally appropriate practice

KINDER PARK CHILD CARE CENTER

**5 Barcelona Drive
Clifton Park NY 12065
371-1519**

Director: RoseMarie Haberl

Ages: 18 months - 7 years

Sessions Offered: Monday - Friday 7:30 am to 5:30 p.m.

Season: All year

Program: Enriched pre-school program with one on one attention and small groups. 4:1 ratio, 3 teachers for 10 children. Yearly speech screenings. Teachers with degrees in early childhood education. Located in a beautiful country setting. Districted for Arongen, Okte, Skano, and Tesago.

LIL' LAMBS CHRISTIAN DAYCARE

**956 Route 146
Clifton Park, NY 12065
373-5910**

Director: Connie Reynolds

Ages: 6 weeks – 12 years

Sessions Offered: Monday through Friday 7:00 am to 6:00 p.m.

Season: All year

Tuition: Call for prices. Multiple sibling, Active Duty Military and Teacher discounts offered.

Program: A full academic preschool program emphasizing learning through discovery and play. Structured learning activities and musical activities to stimulate cognitive, physical, and social development. Non-Denominational Christian Education lessons taught daily. Meals prepared fresh daily in our own kitchen. Monthly field trips. Summer camp program for 3-5 year olds. NYS Certified teachers. NYS registered nurse on staff. Bi-lingual, Spanish as a second language.

LITTLE ONES CHILD CARE CENTER, INC.

**410 21ST Century Park Road
Clifton Park, NY 12065
(518) 348-6409**

Director: Susan Zobre

Ages: 6 weeks – 12 years

Sessions offered: Full day – full week
Full day – a few days a week
Wrap around – before and after school care

Prices: Infants F/T \$224.00 a week
Toddlers F/T \$197.00 a week
Three Year Olds F/T \$191.00
Preschoolers F/T \$187.00 a week
Before/After school Kindergarten \$100.00 a week
Grades 1-6 \$50.00 a week
Vacations \$150.00 a week

Season: All Year

Program: High quality Child Care Center. Excellent staff, spacious room and knowledgeable director.

LITTLEFOLKS NURSERY SCHOOL
Northway Bible Chapel Moe & Par Del Rio
PO Box 572
Clifton Park, NY 12065
(518) 289-5067 home, (518) 371-7556 school

Director: Shauna Simmons, Director/Teacher

Sessions Offered:

3 year olds	Tuesday/Thursday	9:00-11:30
3 year olds	Tuesday/Thursday	12:30-3:00
4 year olds	Mon/Wed/Fri	9:00-11:30
4 year olds	Mon/Wed/Fri	12:30-3:00

Prices: 3 year olds - \$95/month
4 year olds - \$123/month

Season: September through June school year

Program: The Littlefolks program is designed to create an atmosphere, which fosters the intellectual, emotional, and spiritual development of the child. The curriculum offers motivational activities and instruction that helps build important foundations for reading skills, mathematics, science and other academic pursuits. It also provides appropriate and varied play experiences that contribute to the physical and social development of the child. We encourage any interested persons to call to arrange for a visit.

MALTA MONTESSORI
Saratoga Village Blvd. #34a
Malta, NY 12020
(518) 633-1971

Director: Kerry Brader

Ages: 3-6 year olds

Programs: Half day- School day runs from 8:45-12:00
Full day- School day runs from 8:45-3:30
Kindergarten- School day runs from 8:45-3:30
Before School- Runs from 7:30-8:30am
After School- Runs from 3:30-5:30pm
Summer Program

Tuition: Contact for prices

Season: September to June
Follows public school calendar.

Program: We are committed to providing a quality education in the Montessori tradition. With a community of parents, teachers and students, we will instill a love of learning, sense of wonder, respect for others and the environment; while at the same time encourage imagination and independence.

Website: www.maltamontessori.com

MOTHER TERESA ACADEMY
10 Old Plank Road
Clifton Park, New York 12065
(518) 598 -3364

Director: Joyce Maddalone
Principal: Michael Christensen

Grades: Pre-K – Grade 5
(Pre-K includes 3 & 4 year old programs)

Sessions: Monday – Friday (8:30 am -3:00 pm)
September - June

Kindergarten – full day
Four Year Old Pre-K – full or *half day program option
Three Year Old Pre-K – *half day program
Daily After-School Enrichment 3:00pm – 5:30 pm
*half day program runs daily from 8:30 am – 11:15 am

Clifton Park's New Choice in Primary Education!

Mother Teresa Academy (Pre-K through Grade 5), an independent school teaching Catholic Christian values, is a small caring learning community offering an imaginative educational vision, dedicated to the total development of its students. Mother Teresa Academy offers small class sizes, a caring and nurturing environment, positive self-discipline, family oriented focus, a highly involved board and dedicated part and full time instructors. Academically, Mother Teresa Academy offers hands on, intellectually challenging content in all subject areas. Our highly integrated curriculum includes technology infused as part of daily instruction, ELA as an accelerated literacy program, mathematics, science, social studies, religion, Spanish, music, and physical education. Website: www.motherteresaacademy.org.

THE NURSERY SCHOOL AT PRINCE OF PEACE

**4 Northcrest Drive
Clifton Park, NY 12065
(518) 383-6093**

Teachers: Karen Roberts
Sue Maciejewski

Ages:

3 Year Olds (by Dec 1)	Tuesday/Thursday	9:00-11:30 AM 12:30-3:00 PM
4 Year Olds (by Dec 1)	Mon/Wed/Fri	9:00-11:30 AM 12:30-3:00 PM

Tuition: Available on Request

Season: September through end of May
(Follow Shenendehowa Calendar)

Program: The Nursery School at Prince of Peace embraces three year old and four year old children in a playful environment helping them to develop social skills while encouraging their natural curiosity and eagerness to learn.

PAL'S AFTER SCHOOL AND SUMMER PROGRAM, INC

**15 Halfmoon Executive Park Dr.
Clifton Park, NY 12065
(518) 348-0811**

Executive Director: Jill Taschetti

Ages: Kindergarten- First Grade

Sessions Offered: 7am – 6 pm
Before and after kindergarten child care with enrichment

Special Note: This program serves kindergarten and first grade children. It offers before and after school care as well as full time care during public school holidays and summer break periods.

Program: Child centered learning philosophy. Qualified loving teachers with state of the art facility and large outdoor play area located in a beautiful executive park off the main route. Daily field trips are the highlight of the summer camp and week long holiday periods.

PAL'S AFTER SCHOOL AND SUMMER PROGRAM, INC

**282 Grooms Rd.
Clifton Park, NY 12065
(518) 371-0502**

Director: Jill Taschetti

Ages: Second to Eighth Grade

Sessions Offered: 2:30 pm – 6 pm
After school child care; all day during holidays.

Special Note: This program serves school aged children. It offers after school care as well as full time care during public school holidays and summer break periods.

Program: Child centered learning philosophy. Qualified loving teachers with state of the art facility and large outdoor play area. We offer Tae Kwon Do and dance classes on site. Daily field trips are the highlight of the summer camp and week long holiday periods.

PAL'S EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND LEARNING CENTER, INC

**13 Halfmoon Executive Park Dr.
Clifton Park, NY 12065
(518) 373-5984**

Director: Marianne Caruso

Ages: 6 weeks - 5 years

Sessions Offered: 7 am to 6 pm, Mon – Fri.; Full and Part Time Care

Prices: Call for prices

Season: All year

Program: NAEYC Accredited. Child centered learning philosophy. Qualified loving teachers with state of the art facility located in a beautiful executive park off the main route. Large outdoor play area.

PAL'S EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND LEARNING CENTER, INC

**21 Crossing Blvd.
Clifton Park, NY 12065
(518) 383-3500**

Director: Denise Barnes

Ages: 6 weeks - 12 years

Sessions Offered: 7 am to 6 pm, Mon – Fri.; Full and Part Time Care

Special Note: This program offers After School Care and a Full Summer Camp Program for school aged children.

Program: Child centered learning philosophy. Qualified loving teachers with state of the art facility and large outdoor play area conveniently located at the Crossings in Clifton Park. Daily field trips for school aged children for summer camp and week long holiday periods.

ROOTS AND WINGS MONTESSORI
940 Route 146
Clifton Park, NY 12065
518/528-4078
rootsandwingsmontessori@yahoo.com

Owner: Cheryl Trimbach
 Ages: 3-5 years old (integrated)
 Sessions Offered:

<u>Days</u>	Mon, Tues, Wed; Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri	Wed, Thurs, Fri Mon-Fri	
<u>Hours</u>	8:45-11:30am	12:30-3:15pm	8:45am-3:15pm

Prices: Upon Request
 Season: September-June

Program: The Montessori Method is a child-centered approach with an educational basis. Our community of teachers and children learn from one another through a curriculum of sensorial, practical, life, math, language, geography and peace. Our Montessori Certified teacher has 20 years teaching experience.

Website: www.rootsandwingsmontessori.com

ST. GEORGE'S PRESCHOOL
912 Route 146
Clifton Park, NY 12065
371-6351

Director: Barbara Hinrichs
Ages: 3 – 5 years

Sessions Offered:

Monday/Wednesday	3 year old	9:00 - 11:30 & 12:30 - 3:00
Tuesday/Thursday	3 year old	9:00 - 11:30 & 12:30 - 3:00
Mon/Wed/Fri	4 year old	9:00 - 11:30 & 12:30 - 3:00
Monday through Friday	4 year old (pre-K)	9:00-11:30 & 12:30-3:00

Season: School Year and a 5 week summer session in July and August

Tuition: Call for prices. Multiple sibling discounts offered.

Program: St. George's Preschool program provides children of all faiths with the opportunity to play with other children of the same age and to learn through their play and their daily experience. Throughout the school day, children will be learning age appropriate readiness skills and self help skills through Bible Stories, games, art projects, music, indoor, and outdoor play and Field Trips.

SHENENDEHOWA UNITED METHODIST PRESCHOOL

**971 Route 146
Clifton Park, NY 12065
(518) 383-2605**

Director: Kathleen DeDell

Ages 2 - 5 Years Old

Programs:

***Playgroup:** Turn 2 by December 1 of school year attending.

Tuesday 9:15 A.M - 11:00 A.M

Wednesday 9:15 A.M - 11:00 A.M

Thursday 9:15 A.M - 11:00 A.M

***3 Year Old Programs:** Turn 3 by December 1 of school year attending.

Tuesday/Thursday 9:00 A.M - 11:30 A.M.

Tuesday/Thursday 12:30 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Mon/Wed/Fri 12:30 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.

***Pre-K Programs:** Turn 4 by December 1 of school year attending.

Mon/Wed/Fri 8:30 A.M.-11:30 A.M.

Mon/Tues/Wed/Thurs 8:45 A.M.-11:45 A.M.

Mon/Tues/Wed/Thurs 12:15 P.M.-3:15 P.M.

Prices: \$65.00 Non-refundable registration to secure a spot in a classroom

Monthly tuitions will be supplied upon calling Director

Philosophy:

We believe each child is a unique individual. We provide a loving, nurturing, creative environment for children. We are sensitive to their social, emotional, intellectual, and physical needs. We provide developmentally appropriate programs that focus on the process of learning while also helping them to enjoy many other successful experiences. We encourage not just learning, but the love of learning.

We believe in providing a physical environment that is safe, clean, healthy and child friendly. Classrooms are arranged to offer challenging play and learning choices at a range of developmental levels. Learning centers allow children the opportunity to explore, to experience, and to succeed.

*Voluntarily registered by the NYS Department of Education.

SUNRISE CHILDREN LEARNING CENTER

**100 Technology Park & 200 Technology Park
Route 146
Clifton Park, NY 12065
(518) 373-1280**

Director: Tracy Baker

Assistant Director: Amanda Carpenter, Mary Lou Goitz

Ages: Infant Care to 12 years

Sessions Offered: 7:00am-6:00pm M-F

Tuition: Call for prices

Program: We are a new state of the art facility. We commit ourselves to provide your child with a safe, secure, comfortable and happy home away from home setting. Our focus is on the importance of

developmentally appropriate activities that help your child build feelings of success, develop school competence and reach higher levels of learning.