



Welcome to Learning Bridge
Early Education Center

Our entrance hall:

The office is on the near right;
Yellow room is on the left;
Green room on the right.



Welcome!

Staff photos
Awards

Learning Bridge has achieved GOLD Level recognition for the intentional, individualized and measurable ways we prepare children for kindergarten.

We are accredited by the American Montessori Association, NAEYC, and licensed by DCFS.





Our Outdoor
Classroom is a
play and explore
space used
almost everyday
of the year!



Children
love to work
in our many
gardens.

We have a
vegetable
garden
where
children
learn how
seeds turn
into the
foods we
love to eat!



During the year we
have several visitors.



Vision and Hearing Testing
Dental Hygiene Lessons





Sunshine Circles®

No Hurts, Stick Together and Have Fun! The three rules of an amazing program we have at the Center.

Learning Bridge works with Theraplay counselors to help children keep their social and emotional learning on track. **Sunshine Circles®** are teacher-directed and structured time for playful, cooperative and nurturing activities. Everyone loves this interactive and creative time that helps build a culture of fun, acceptance, caring and encouragement. Research proves that a child's IQ (intelligence and cognition) grows as we help build their strong EQ (social and emotional skills).



Northwestern students
bring the Jumpstart
literacy-based program to
the Center for the 3-5
year olds twice a week.



Jumpstart
Children first.®



Summer swimming lessons at the YWCA



Reading Art with Ms Rubin

Ms Rubin comes once a month to show and discuss great works of art.

In the spring, Learning Bridge students take a field trip to the Art Institute to see the paintings *in situe*! It's a great adventure for parents and children.





Green Room

- 2-3 years
- 12 children
- 2 teachers
- 1 teaching assistant

Parent Night



Yellow Room

- 2.5-3 years
- 14 children
- 2 teachers
- 1 teaching assistant





Blue Room

3-5 year olds
19 children
3 teachers
1 teaching assistant



[Click to hear Purple's Alphabet Band!](#)



Purple Room

- 3-5 years
- 19 children
- 2 teachers
- 2 teaching assistants





Orange Room

- 3-5 years
- 20 children
- 3 teachers
- 2 teaching assistants

This two-story classroom uses Montessori philosophy on the second floor and Developmental philosophy on the ground floor.



We use Conscious Discipline to help children handle big feelings.

Conscious Discipline is a 30-year-old, research-based, social-emotional learning and classroom management program with a proven track record of sustainable results.

The three core components of Conscious Discipline are:

Safety: Learning self-regulation creates safety to enhance every person's ability to recognize and manage physiological and emotional upset.

Connection: Creating a compassionate School Family culture motivates adults' and children's willingness to engage in healthy relationships, help each other be successful and change perceptions about conflict.

Problem-solving: Changing our response to conflict and upgrading social-emotional skills boosts all of our ability to adapt to changing situations and cultivate resiliency.

[Learn More at ConsciousDiscipline.com](https://www.consciousdiscipline.com)



When the weather is bad we use our playroom!

Safety precautions during COVID 19



In the morning, we have our temperatures taken, wash our hands and have our shoes sprayed before we are walked into school. Our parents don't come in the building for drop-off or pick-up. Just the teachers!



Classrooms look different but are still a lot of fun.




We go for walks, read stories, and play outside!



The Restore Illinois Plan restricts enrollment levels and our ability to allow volunteers, enrichment programs, therapists and consultants in our building. Virtual strategies are in the works. [View the reopening plan.](#)

Our COVID-19 Outdoor Classroom





“Education is not the learning
of facts, but the training of
the mind to think.”

- ALBERT EINSTEIN

Learning Bridge prepares children to live in a world that we can only imagine. Creativity, analytical thinking, and storytelling are the keys to future success. All begins with consistent, playful, and intentional high-quality early learning.

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