



BRIGHT CHILD
LEARNING CENTER

2026



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Our Vision

... is to inspire generations of children to become happy and empowered global citizens who nurture and respect themselves, society and the environment, creating a safer and more-fulfilled world. We truly believe in this vision and work passionately to achieve it each day with each child.

Our Purpose

Bright Child serves as a trusted partner for families by offering exceptional educational experiences for children ages 6 weeks to 6 years. We foster independence, diversity, and respect by creating a safe, nurturing and visually pleasing learning environment, focused on engaging & imaginative child-led activities.



Our Mission

... is to deliver a unique and exceptional learning experience by offering a dynamic combination of:

- Child-led, hands-on, independent and interactive activities
- Environmentally sustainable and aesthetically pleasing facilities
- Teaching curriculum guided for both academic AND emotional/social development
- Philosophy fostering respect for self, friends, family and nature



AMERICAN MONTESSORI SOCIETY
education that transforms lives

Exceptional Montessori Education

By delivering excellence in a Montessori curriculum, we uniquely prepare your child for kindergarten and beyond, while fostering a lifelong love of learning. As a member of the American Montessori Society, we maintain the highest of standards in the Montessori pedagogy, with our programming designed to exceed state licensing requirements and the Wisconsin Model Early Learning Standards. Bright Child surrounds your child with the best teachers and facilities, within a philosophy all aimed at nurturing and educating your child.



Recognized as a 5-STAR provider by YoungStar, Wisconsin's child care quality rating organization; the highest rating available.

A Safe and Purposeful Environment

All classrooms have been designed specifically for your child.

- Secured entrance
- Fire safety and integrated sprinkler systems
- Closed circuit video monitoring of classrooms and facility
- Impact resistant child-specific flooring
- Non-toxic, safe natural wood furnishings
- Ionizer air purification units integrated into HVAC system
- Embraces diversity and individuality, representing different cultures, ethnicities and abilities
- Facilitates the logical progression of your child's developmental milestones
- Encourage social, emotional and cognitive skill development





Creative Learning Environments

Bright Child provides age-appropriate, creative and cultured places to explore and grow:

- 4 Season Conservatory
- Indoor 2-story Gym
- Book Nook
- Nature Based Outdoor Classroom
 - Raised Edible Gardens and Compost Bins
 - Music and Art Areas
 - Water and Science Activity Centers



Caring and Committed Staff

- Highly credentialed and certified teachers in early childhood education
- Comprehensive employee benefit package
- Quality child/teacher ratios exceeding industry standards
- Real-time updates of your child's daily activities



Healthy Nutrition Program

Your child's dietary needs are highly valued:

- Organic milk and snacks
- Special attention to food allergies
- Vegan and vegetarian options, some from our own gardens
- All prepared on-site in our own commercial kitchen



Tuition - 2026 (Full-Time Only)

ENRICHMENT CLASSES INCLUDED

- Music & Movement
- Art & Science
- Foreign Language

Infant/Nido & Toddler (6 weeks - 3 years): \$540.00 Weekly

Early Childhood/Primary (3 years - 6 years): \$445.00 Weekly



Teacher to Child Ratio

We exceed Wisconsin State regulation for staff-to-child ratios in support of our commitment to program excellence. Your child will receive quality hands-on attention and guidance.



WI State Regulation

Birth - 18 months
1 : 4
8



INFANT

Age of Children
Staff-to-Child Ratio
Max Group Size



6 weeks - 18 months
1 : 3.2
8

NEW Ratios

18m - 2.5y	2.5 - 3y
1 : 7	1 : 8
14	16



TODDLER

Age of Children
Staff-to-Child Ratio
Max Group Size

15 months - 3 years
1 : 3.6
8

NEW Ratios

3 years	4 years	5 years
1 : 10	1 : 13	1 : 13
20	26	36



EARLY CHILDHOOD

Age of Children
Staff-to-Child Ratio
Max Group Size

3 years - 6 years
1 : 8
20



2026 School Calendar

**MONDAY - FRIDAY HOURS:
7:00 AM - 5:30 PM**

Open full-time weekly to provide care for your child up to ten hours per day during business hours, 5 days per week, 52 weeks per year. In order to best serve the families we are privileged to work with, Bright Child Learning Center does not close for extended breaks such as seasonal breaks or parent-teacher conferences.

To provide security and flexibility for
your family, we are only closed 13
days in 2026.

2026 School Closings	
Thursday, January 1st	New Year's Day
Friday, January 30th	Staff Development Day
Friday, March 20th	Staff Development Day
Friday, April 3rd	Good Friday
Monday, May 25th	Memorial Day
Friday, July 3rd	Independence Day
Monday, September 7th	Labor Day
Friday, September 25th	Staff Development Day
Friday, October 23rd	Staff Development Day
Thursday, November 26th	Thanksgiving Day
Friday, November 27th	Thanksgiving Holiday
Thursday, December 24th	Christmas Eve
Friday, December 25th	Christmas Day

Unforeseen Closures

Any other closings due to inclement weather and/or unforeseen circumstances (eg: public health) will be announced via Brightwheel.



2026 School Events

Special Events

2026 School Events	
Spring Planting Party	Late May (exact date tbd)
Splash Pad Party @ McKee Park	July 18 th 10:00 AM - Noon
Graduation Picnic @ McKee Park	August 13 th 5:30 - 7:00 PM
Appleberry Farms	Saturday in September (exact date tbd) 10:00 AM - Noon



Tuition and Fees

2026 Calendar Year Tuition

INFANT	TODDLER	EARLY CHILDHOOD
 6 weeks - 18 months Full-Time Enrollment \$540.00 Weekly	 15 months - 3 years Full-Time Enrollment \$540.00 Weekly	 3 years - 6 years Full-Time Enrollment \$445.00 Weekly

Enrollment Options & Schedule

Bright Child Learning Center (BCLC) is open Monday – Friday from 7:00 AM until 5:30 PM. Full-time weekly enrollment provides care for your child up to ten hours per day during business hours, 5 days per week, 52 weeks per year.

All families are asked to establish a regular weekly schedule that follows school guidelines upon enrollment, however, adjustments to that schedule can be made as needed with a one week notice.

BCLC operates on individual family contracts. All full-time contracts are for a one-year term. BCLC will contact families eight (8) weeks prior to their contract anniversary date to reserve a position and renew their contract for the following year.

In order to best serve the families we are privileged to work with, BCLC does not close for extended breaks such as seasonal breaks or parent-teacher conferences, these are completed without interruption to children's care. Please visit our school for a current list of observed holidays, in-service days and additional school closing information.

Discounts & Credits

Sibling Discount - A 10% discount will be applied to the tuition of the oldest child(ren) when there is more than one child from a family enrolled simultaneously.

Referral Credit - A Friends & Family referral credit of **\$250** will be awarded to any family whose referral result family enrolling their child on a full-time basis with BCLC.

Registration & Reserving Placement

Families will be offered a position based on date of waitlist application, desired start date, and age of the child at desired start date. Families will have two business days after notification of placement to accept or decline the offer. To secure placement BCLC needs the completed registration application, the \$50 registration fee, and the non-refundable reservation deposit of \$800. The non-refundable reservation deposit will be applied to your first tuition payment.

Payment Schedule

Regular tuition payments are collected every other Wednesday via automatic withdrawal for the upcoming two weeks of care. Third party payments are accepted on a case-by-case basis and only with pre-payment for all services rendered. Processing fees may apply to third party payments. All payments and fees are non-refundable. Bright Child Learning Center currently accepts Wisconsin Shares on a case-by-case basis. Please inquire with management for more details.

Organic Snack & Milk Programs - Complimentary

BCLC prepares and serves snack twice daily (morning and afternoon). Snacks are local and organic whenever possible and offer a balanced representation of fruits, vegetables, grains and proteins. Our snack menu allows students the opportunity to sample a variety of healthy foods and is also part of our Practical Life curriculum area as early childhood students are occasionally given the opportunity to help prepare snack during the week. Organic milk is provided during morning snack, lunch and afternoon snack. Programs typically begin when a child reaches 12 months of age and/or as agreed to by parents. Please discuss with management if your child requires an exception.

Inflation Adjustments

In order to retain high quality-teaching staff and annual inflationary cost increases, BCLC will implement up to a 5% increase to the above listed rates effective the first billing cycle of each calendar year.

Excessive Stay / Pick Up Fee

If a child is in the care of BCLC for more than 10 hours in a single day*, or not checked out (using the ProCare entry system) by 5:20pm daily**, a fee of \$15.00 for the first 10 minutes will be added to the next auto-withdrawal for each occurrence; after the first 10 minutes, an additional \$1.00/minute will be assessed. Families will also be notified so that they are aware of the additional charge and to discuss a proactive approach to prevent such charges from occurring in the future.

*Length of stay is determined by check-in/check-out times in the ProCare system, and will include the addition of 10 minutes to allow the child's parent/guardian sufficient time to gather their child, his/her belongings, and discuss their child's progress with teacher.

**In order to ensure our compliance with our licensed care times, every child must be checked out (using the ProCare entry system) by 5:20pm daily. This allows the parent/guardian sufficient time to gather their child, his/her belongings, and discuss their child's progress with their teacher prior to school closing at 5:30 pm.

Late Payment Fee

Tuition payments will be automatically withdrawn from the specified family account (typically checking account) on a bi-weekly basis. If the specified account has insufficient funds (NSF) at the time of tuition withdrawal, \$50.00 will be assessed to the family account and the total charge will be applied to the family's account or credit card on file.

Withdrawal Procedure & Fee

If for any reason a family elects to withdraw their child from BCLC prior to the end of their contract year, written notice must be provided at least 30 school days (6 weeks) prior to withdrawal. In the event that a withdrawal is made without such notice, the family will be responsible for the payment of six weeks tuition. This tuition will be due in one lump sum upon notification of withdrawal. Additionally, families will be assessed an early withdrawal fee equivalent to one-week's tuition (based on current tuition rates) per child for all children withdrawn prior to the end of their contract year. This is to help offset administration costs for processing requirements.



School Comparison Checklist

Choosing child care and early education is an important decision. Use this form to research and compare child care/ learning centers and find the best fit for you and your child.



SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT

		School 2	School 3
Was the school welcoming and inviting, with staff positively engaged with children?	✓		
Are there strict security procedures for entering the building?	✓		
Are interior cameras in use to ensure a safe, secure environment?	✓		
Are classroom child-centered and purposefully designed for optimal learning? (ample natural light, age appropriate furniture, natural materials and colors)	✓		
Does school have creative space for learning outside of the classroom?	✓		
Do classroom programs support social and emotional development, support self-help coping skills, and nurture through small and large group interactions?	✓		

DEVELOPMENT & ENRICHMENT & STAFF

Do parents get daily updates about their child's activities and development? (verbal, written, visual) Is there a personalized plan for tracking goals?	✓		
Does the school offer enrichment programs outside of the classroom?	✓		
Are teachers professionally trained in early childhood education?	✓		

NUTRITION PROGRAM

Does school provide organic breakfast, milk, and snack daily?	✓		
Does school have edible garden to promote healthy eating habits?	✓		
Does school have meal program to support special dietary needs?	✓		

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

How many days of the year is the school closed?	13		
Is there a waitlist fee?	No		