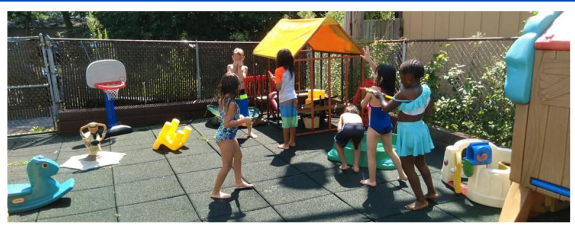


OUR EDUCATION TOOLS:

We use the Creative Curriculum for Preschool which is a comprehensive, research-based curriculum that features exploration and discovery as a way of learning. Comprising of The Foundation, six knowledge-building volumes that help teachers set up a high-quality learning environment and builds a thorough understanding of best practices.



THE MISSION:

Acorn Academy exists to provide a safe, developmentally appropriate environment for preschool and school age children. Our focus is to provide a stimulating early care and education experience which promotes each child's social/emotional, physical and cognitive development. Our goal is to support children's learning so they become life-long learners.

"EACH CHILD LEARNS
DIFFERENTLY, SO WE
MUST ADJUST OUR
TEACHING
TECHNIQUES TO
REACH EACH CHILD'S
NEEDS TO ENSURE A
SUCCESSFUL
OUTCOME

Our agency therapists are available for consultation with staff and parents when concerns about a child's development are present.

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Acorn Academy

Where ALL children are welcomed and provided with high-quality early childhood education.

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OUR STORY:

Acorn Academy has been operating in Oak Forest since the early 1980's. It is a well-established day care center and serves up to 70 children. Good Shepherd Center acquired this Child Care Center in the winter of 2015. The well-qualified teachers at Acorn receive additional training and support relevant to child development to meet the needs of every child.

WHAT MAKES US DIFFERENT?

The difference at our Center is that staff is provided with additional training in the care and treatment of children with Autism, Down Syndrome and intellectual / developmental disabilities. We truly believe that all children have great abilities once they receive high quality care.



FAMILY SUPPORT

LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT

PARENT/CHILD INTERACTION

EARLY EDUCATION

HEALTH & WELLNESS

OWNED & OPERATED BY:

Good Shepherd Center



Helping Children With and Without Disabilities Since 1963

WHO IS GOOD SHEPHERD CENTER?

Good Shepherd Center was founded in 1963, as a school for children with disabilities and their families. The Center was a pioneer in serving children at that time, as educational/therapy programs were rare for young children in their first critical five years of life. Since that time, the agency has evolved into a multi-service agency now serving children and adults with and without disabilities as well as families. Good Shepherd Center is a 501 (C)3 organization.