POPI Program Information

History
The NIH Campus East Child Care Center is operated by Parents of Preschoolers, Inc. POPI is a non-profit corporation and provides childcare for children 6 weeks to 5 years. POPI is an NAEYC accredited program licensed by MSDE.

Program
POPI offers mixed-age classrooms which provide a more varied approach to learning. Each child can be taught or grouped for play with other children at his or her level, regardless of age. The benefits of mixed-age groups are many; including: a richer learning environment where children can learn from one another, greater communication skills, fewer transitions, bonding; not only between caregiver and child but also between caregiver and that child’s family.

Hours of Operation
POPI is open Monday through Friday from 7:30am-6:00pm

Curriculum
POPI implements the Objectives for Development & Learning using the Creative Curriculum for Infants, Toddlers & Twos ® and the Creative Curriculum for Preschool ®.

*Ratios
POPI meets and exceeds MSDE regulated ratios with classrooms having an extra staff person to assist teachers during active times of the day.

Philosophy
Here at POPI we believe children learn through play and hands-on experiences. Our highly qualified teachers and administrative staff work with families to create a safe and inviting learning environment that fosters socio-emotional, language, physical, and cognitive development.

POPI is an inclusive childcare that focuses on the individual needs of children and their families. POPI promotes socio-economic and cultural diversity.

We believe caring for children is a community effort and that children learn best when they are loved and cared for by adults who respect and cherish a child’s need to explore, use their imagination, make friends, and have fun!

Nutrition
POPI provides the children with breakfast, lunch, and afternoon snack using the USDA regulated Child and Adult Care food Program (CACFP)

Tuition Fee Scale

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