

Kaufman Child Care Centre

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Sheva Program - Seven Core Elements

Children as Constructivist Learners

Based on an image of the child as a competent and capable learner full of potential, teachers and children engage in research as a way of co-constructing knowledge.



Early Childhood Directors as Visionaries

JCC ECE directors must be visionary leaders focused on nurturing the minds, souls, and hearts of children and their families. [Meet the Director, Eleonora Caporalini](#)

Early Childhood Educators as Professionals

At the JCC, educators view themselves as lifelong learners, constantly engaging in the pursuit of learning opportunities, as prized by our Jewish tradition. The combination of education, experience, and passion enriches educators', children's and families' lives. [Meet The Other Management Team Members](#)

Families as Engaged Partners

Every early childhood program includes family events, newsletters, and committees. JCC early childhood centres go beyond this to actively listen to and incorporate parents' perspectives into our program.



Environments as Inspiration for Inquiry

Our vision for the early childhood learning environment provides a place for children that provokes wonder, curiosity, intellectual engagement and creativity with endless possibilities.

Discover CATCH as Sh'mirat HaGuf (taking care of our bodies)

CATCH Early Childhood is based on a foundation of Jewish values. Discover: CATCH Early Childhood nurtures a love of physical activity in children ages 3 to 5, and encourages them to develop life-long eating habits.

Israel as the Story of the Jewish People

For thousands of years without the benefit of modern technology, Jews managed to create powerful images and representations of Israel—a place that most Jews had never seen or experienced. A Jewish child was born into a relationship with the "Israel of the imagination," which was fostered by linking that place to everyday actions and rituals, to significant events in the flow of the year and of life, and to communal myths and memories. Israel thus permeated the lives of Jews, visited and revisited in the mind throughout the course of a lifetime. When such images of Israel were vivid in the hearts and minds of parents, a connection to Israel could be transmitted at an early stage and in a natural way to young children.

