

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

The Village Common Children's Center (VCCC) is a non-profit center that is committed to providing quality early care and education for young children, as well as providing a supportive environment for their families.

At VCCC we put the needs, happiness and the safety of all the children in our program FIRST, and to ensure that this goal is met, we pride ourselves on high standards of practice. We also believe that young children learn best through play. With that in mind, we have designed our programs to allow children to socialize and interact with other young children while offering them the opportunity to play and learn, both individually and in groups, in a variety of creative, age-appropriate activities. The children will be encouraged and nurtured, and when ready, challenged to the next level of their development.

We are a year-round program whose programs offer children ongoing opportunity for peer interaction which allows them to develop and enhance important social skills. They are allowed to create, explore, experiment, use their imaginations, and most of all have FUN! By combining emergent curriculum and developmentally appropriate practice through the vehicle of play, we are able to subtly present many learning opportunities and challenges that allow children to naturally develop a love for learning that will undoubtedly lay a solid foundation for future academic success.