

## TLC Early Childhood Center Infant Room Description



- Ages in this room range from 6 weeks through 12 18 months.
- Staff child ratio is 1:4 with a maximum class size of 8.
- Each classroom in the center, including the Infant Room has a teacher with a degree in Early Childhood Education or a related field who takes on leadership of the classroom.
- Children are assigned primary caregivers to provide very personal care and encouragement.
- The children sleep in cribs assigned to only them and sleep on demand.
- Children are always placed on their backs to sleep with only a
- o crib sheet and pacifier allowed in the crib.
- Children are fed on demand and are held when drinking a bottle.
- The individual, unique and very personal care for each child is the major focus of the curriculum in the Infant Room.
- Children experience daily age-appropriate devotions, music and movement, story time, sensory and large and small motor activities planned for their age. We follow Creative Curriculum.
- "Jesus Time" is provided daily. Children learn basic Bible accounts,
   songs and finger-plays and most important learn that Jesus loves them!
- Children gradually learn to sit up, begin to walk, use cups and begin to feed themselves before moving into the Toddler Classroom.
- Children go outdoors daily year-round, weather permitting usually in strollers for a walk around the building. A play area for Infants and Toddlers is also used as children begin walking. Please provide appropriate clothing for outdoor time.
- Children have regular scheduled time in the "mini-gym" with the Toddlers for large motor activities once they have begun to crawl or walk. They become familiar with the Toddler Room staff, making the transition from the Infant Room a smooth one. (during COVID infants and toddlers have separate gym times)