

Vision

Primeros Pasos envisions the day when all children have the opportunity and support to develop into happy, healthy, confident, capable members of a diverse community.

Mission

Primeros Pasos Early Learning Center provides high quality education in a culturally diverse environment for all children.

Program

Primeros Pasos is an exemplary early learning program.

Primeros Pasos provides children ages 12 weeks through 12 years with a safe, positive environment that increases their opportunities for a healthy and successful life. The program is bilingual, affordable, and meets the developmental needs of its children.

The Primeros Pasos Center is open to accommodate parents daytime work schedules, Monday through Friday, 6:30 AM until 5:30 PM. Breakfast, lunch and snack are served daily in accordance with the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP). Also, Primeros Pasos is a member of the Early Head Start-Child Care Partnership.

Primeros Pasos accepts Purchase of Care (POC) government subsidized payment.

ALL CHILDREN ARE WELCOME.

YOU CAN HELP

Volunteer Your Time

For information about volunteer opportunities, please call 302-856-7406.

Make a Donation

Providing quality education is expensive! It has been estimated that for every dollar of tuition received, another 75 cents must be raised. Please help defray our programming costs and donate now to our ongoing operating fund, by sending a check to the address below.

Primeros Pasos is a United Way Write-In designee. Our designated number is, 12382.

Contribute Supplies

Primeros Pasos is always in need of educational toys, books, school supplies and cleaning supplies. Please contact us if you have donations.



PRIMEROS PASOS

EARLY LEARNING CENTER

Get Involved

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Primeros Pasos, Inc. is a 501 (c) 3, non-profit organization incorporated in the State of Delaware.



ESTABLISHED FOR CHILDREN OF FAMILIES LIVING AND WORKING IN SUSSEX COUNTY

History

Primeros Pasos, Inc. was founded by a grass roots group of caring citizens who saw a need for a high-quality bilingual education and child care center in the Georgetown, DE area. The group opened such a center in 1997 and a second one in 1999. Eventually, both of these - located in rental properties - were closed.

Primeros Pasos was determined to offer its services in self-owned facilities, and in 2007 purchased a parcel of land on Savannah Road in Georgetown. Planning and fundraising for a permanent facility was initiated. For over ten years while raising funds for its expansion, Primeros Pasos provided services for twenty children a day aided by a generous offer of classroom space from St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Georgetown.

Finally, in April 2017, after receiving gifts and grants from over 200 individuals, foundations, churches and governmental agencies, Primeros Pasos was able to complete Phase 1 of its plan and moved into a 4,000 square foot, state-of-the-art early learning center on its Savannah Road property. The center is licensed for up to 45 children ages 12 weeks to 12 years.

The Future

In keeping with its efforts to meet the educational needs of as many children and their families as possible, Primeros Pasos has developed a Phase 2 plan which includes an addition which will increase its capacity to serve up to 75 children. .

Need

Primeros Pasos meets the needs of children and their families in Sussex County by providing the following:

- ◆ Early, bilingual education
- ◆ Increased capacity for affordable, quality child care
- ◆ Education for parents in child development and parenting skills
- ◆ Services for working families with limited support systems

Delaware Stars for Early Success

Primeros Pasos is a participant in Delaware Stars for Early Success, a program initiated by the Delaware Institute for Excellence in Early Childhood to ensure that all children enter school and are ready to succeed.



Non Discrimination Policy

Primeros Pasos welcomes all children and values diversity by serving the full socio-economic spectrum of the community.

Services

Primeros Pasos provides bilingual early child care & education to children ages 12 weeks through 12 years. Classes include: nursery, toddler, 3, 4 and 5 year old, and before and after school. Parents are encouraged to participate in training sessions on parenting skills, health, education, nutrition, socialization and community resources.



Center Activities - Primeros Pasos teachers use lessons and materials from the Creative Curriculum. This curriculum emphasizes age-appropriate communication, social, intellectual and physical development which prepares children for successful participation in regular school classes and develops the foundation to become responsible citizens.



Staffing - Primeros Pasos staff members meet Delaware childcare licensing criteria. Our staff includes teachers who are bilingual and trained to provide a culturally sensitive environment and positive interaction with all children and their parents. The Primeros Pasos Teacher/Student ratios meet the exceptionally high standards of STARS for Early Success, which gives teachers more time with all children.

