

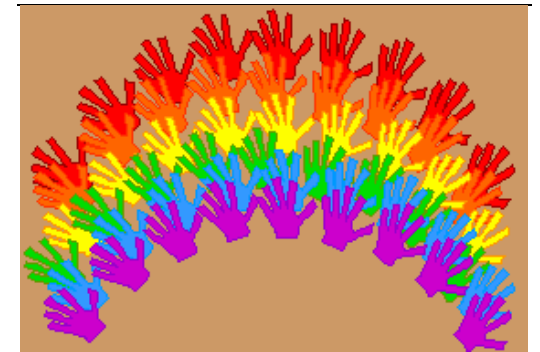
SPECIAL EVENTS AND FIELD TRIPS

Special Events and Field Trips are a very important part of the DCDD preschool experience. Some of the events that may take place are a Grandparent's Luncheon, Fall Festival, trip to the Pumpkin Patch, the Columbus Zoo, Bumper Bowling, Mother's Day Celebration, etc. and of course, the children's birthday parties. Some trips require an extra expense.



DELAWARE COUNTY DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

LIBERTY COMMUNITY CENTER & WOODWARD PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS



If you would like more information on the DCDD preschool programs, please contact Donna Howard, Office Manager, or Paula Dinovo, Educational Supervisor at 740-369-3876 or [e-mail](#)

The Mission Statement of Delaware County Developmental Disabilities is to ensure the availability of programs, services, and supports that assist eligible individuals with developmental disabilities in choosing and achieving a life of increasing capability such that they can live, work, and participate in the community, and to assist and support the families and friends of the individuals in achieving this objective.

ADMISSION POLICY

Referral and placement is done through the child's local educational agency (school district). The child must be evaluated and placed in the DCDD programs by their local educational agency.

After the school district completes a Multi-Factored Evaluation (MFE), an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) will be written and program placement will be determined by the school team—which includes the parents, school district representative, the program supervisor, the parents, a teacher, and any specialists with whom the child will be working (OT, PT, Speech, etc.). The IEP indicates the specific goals and objectives for the child to achieve in a one-year period of time.

Parents will receive a parent handbook, which explains the school philosophy, policies, and procedures. It also contains a complaint procedure and due process information.

OVERVIEW OF PROGRAM SERVICES

The DCDD preschool programs provide a free and appropriate educational program for eligible children, ages 3-5. DCDD provides three types of preschool settings. The Woodward Program is half-day with classes in the morning and afternoon. This program uses an Early

Childhood Education model of six special needs children to six typically developing peers. The Rainbow Programs (1 & 2) are both full day programs and housed at Liberty Community Center, an early childhood center. Rainbow 1 is designed specifically for children with Autism Spectrum Disorders, and Rainbow 2 is specially designed for children with severe language delays and cognitive delays. Both of the Rainbow classes are eight special needs to four typical models and have a mainstreaming component in which the special needs child goes into a typical ECE setting for a period of time as well as having peer models within the classroom.

All DCDD classes are licensed by the Ohio Department of Education and the LCC facility is also licensed by the Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services.

CURRICULUM

Both DCDD preschools utilize The Creative Curriculum for Preschool which is aligned to the Ohio Content Standards for Early Childhood Education.



PEER MODELS

The morning and afternoon classes at Woodward Elementary utilize peer models. These models are drawn from the Delaware County community. In the Spring, a notice will be placed in the local newspapers concerning openings for the following school year. The family will contact the DCDD preschool office manager who will then contact the family so a screening time can be set up with the classroom teacher and aide. Based upon their recommendations, the child will be placed in a morning or afternoon class. Parents will have input into the placement as well. All paperwork provided by the office manager must be in place by the first day of class or the next person on the list will be contacted.



The annual cost for preschool is \$800 and transportation can be arranged for an extra fee. If you are interested, please contact Donna Howard, Office Manager, at 368-5810 ext. 10 for information.