



**YOUNG CHILDREN'S PROGRAM**  
**Admission Policies**  
**College of Education**

- New children are admitted to the Young Children's Program as school age 2-, 3-, and 4-years-old to fill vacancies in the classrooms based on the date of application and consideration for the gender and ethnic composition of each class. Priority is given to JMU employees and JMU students with children.
- Applications are recorded on the date they are received in the YCP office. Applications remain on file and are reconsidered if vacancies occur.
- Offers of enrollment are made in the Spring prior to the start of school in the fall. A nonrefundable deposit of \$150.00 per child per year is required to formalize acceptance.
- Tuition is charged for all children enrolled in the Young Children's Program. The amount is communicated in our family handbook. Payment through Payroll Deduction is offered to employees. Lump sum payments are also acceptable.
- Verification of each child's identity and age is required by the Virginia Department of Education. If you do not have a birth certificate for your child, we encourage you to apply for one as soon as possible.
- Every child entering the Young Children's Program must have a completed physical examination form signed by a physician.
- The Young Children's Program is a laboratory school operated by the JMU College of Education. As such, its mission includes presentation of an exemplary program for young children, as well as educational services to teacher education students and faculty. It is expected that parents who choose to send their child to a laboratory school understand and support the vital role it serves in the development of future education professionals.
- Days that are missed due to weather emergencies are not made up or refunded.
- To observe a YCP class, please contact the school at 540-568-6089 to make an appointment.
- Please contact our Executive Director, Amy Taylor, at [taylo8al@jmu.edu](mailto:taylo8al@jmu.edu) to add your child to the wait list.