

Frequently Asked Questions

1. Who can attend the YCP?

We offer programs for school age 2-, 3- and 4-year-olds. Any child from the community is welcome to apply; however, we do prioritize for our JMU employees and students. We will be opening a second location on campus in Fall 2025 and will serve children ages 6 weeks-5 years old.

2. What are the hours of operation?

Infants through school age 2-year-old rooms are open 7:00 am – 5:30 pm and have one set weekly rate for tuition.

The preschool program runs from 8-3:30 Monday-Friday with options for before/after school care. Our academic school begins the end of August and ends the first week of June. Summer camp options are available for preschool age children.

3. What are the tuition rates for the YCP?

Click the link for the most current tuition rates.

https://www.jmu.edu/coe/ycp/_files/tuition-rates.pdf

4. What makes the YCP different from other childcare centers in the area?

The YCP offers many enrichment activities through partnerships with departments on campus, daily adventures, and support from the College of Education. We focus on teaching children in a play-based, learner-driven environment.

5. What credibility does the YCP have?

The YCP is a state licensed program through the Virginia Department of Education and is accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC).

6. Where is the YCP located?

Our facility is located on JMU's campus, in the West wing of Anthony-Seeger Hall. Located in the East wing of Anthony-Seeger Hall is the JMU Police Department. In Fall of 2025, YCP will open their second location in Memorial Hall.

7. Who can I contact with any questions I have?

Feel free to contact us with any additional questions you may have, or to schedule a tour, you can call our office at 540-568-6089 or email us at youngchildrensprogram@jmu.edu