

What is EarlyON?



EarlyON is designed to provide a broad set of free programs and resources for parents and their young children.

EarlyON drop-in programs are offered in more than 900 locations across the province.

EarlyON Child and Family Centres enhance children's learning and development, provide support to parents and caregivers, and connect families to community services.

Programs and resources

EarlyON centres offer children, parents and caregivers a friendly environment that fosters positive learning with a wide range of quality programs and services to help your child reach their full potential, with:

- Programs designed especially for children up to six years old
- Play-based learning experiences that are fun and engaging – such as painting, drawing, building, creating, reading, storytelling, singing and much more
- Advice from professionals trained in early childhood development
- Information or referrals to specialized programs and services within the community
- Opportunity to meet and make connections with families with young children.

The EarlyON experience

EarlyON Child and Family Centres offer free, drop-in programs for children up to six years old and their parents/caregivers. EarlyON centres are places to engage and connect with others in the community and feel a sense of belonging.

You will be welcomed by qualified early-years professionals who can provide support, advice, and helpful resources. EarlyON centres are where children and their parents/caregivers can learn, play, laugh, be curious, make friends and engage with others.



To find a location near you, visit

ontario.ca/EarlyON

Many **EarlyON** Child and Family Centres are open weekdays, evenings and weekends. There are currently more than 300 EarlyON Child and Family Centres located in communities across the province as well as more than 600 mobile sites operating in locations such as libraries, parks and community centres.

Other resources and information for parents of young children:

- Looking for child care? Visit ontario.ca/childcare for helpful information on finding child care, child care options, common questions to ask a child care provider and more.
- Will your child be starting kindergarten in the coming year? You can find helpful information online that supports your child's transition to school: ontario.ca/childcare/childcare/transition-to-school.
- *How Does Learning Happen?* – A professional learning resource for those working in child care and child and family programs edu.gov.on.ca/childcare/pedagogy.html.
- *Think, Feel, Act* – This resource describes how the experiences children have in the early years has a lasting effect on children's learning, development, health and well-being edu.gov.on.ca/childcare/research.html.

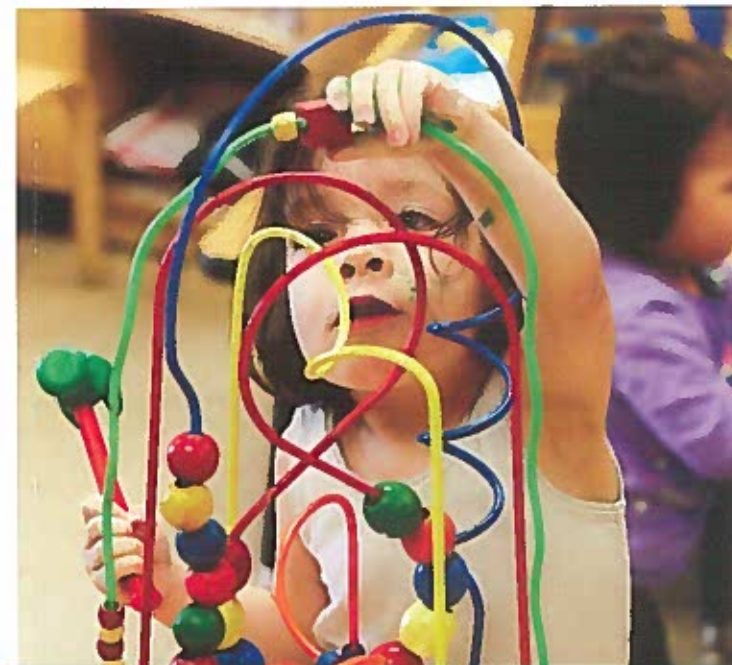
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Child and Family Centre



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A local EarlyON Child and Family Centre
can be found nearby at:

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