



# Linden Park

## EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION CENTER

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**SCHOOL VISION:** Our vision is to inspire our students to embark upon their life journey to a future of endless possibilities.

**SCHOOL MISSION:** Our mission at Linden Park Neighborhood Early Childhood Education Center is to empower children, families, and our community. Our focus is to provide a high quality early education experience in a supportive and developmentally appropriate environment to create life-long learners.

**DRESS CODE:** Students are expected to follow Dress Code outlined in the District's Guide to Student Success.

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### WHAT MAKES THIS SCHOOL OUTSTANDING

Our groundbreaking center opened in October 2016 with six Early Childhood Education classrooms. The center is a partnership between Columbus City Schools, the City of Columbus and our partner providers, Columbus Early Learning Centers and Child Development Council of Franklin County. These partnerships enable us to collaborate and share best practices to provide a high quality Pre-Kindergarten experience for more four year-olds, ultimately ensuring our students are ready for success in Kindergarten.

### SPECIALTY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES/CURRICULUM

We are unique in many ways. Not only is our whole building designed for early childhood education, specifically pre-Kindergarten, but our 12 classrooms are comprised of a combination of six Columbus City Schools Early Childhood Education classrooms and two outside partner providers with three classrooms each in the same building. These Pre-Kindergarten classrooms are inclusion settings where our students with disabilities and their typically developing peers learn and grow along-side each other.

By utilizing child directed exploration, developmentally sound early childhood education practices and play to prepare our young learners, we hope to equip our students and families to have a successful Kindergarten experience and a life-long love of learning as students and families of Columbus City Schools. Our center is a kid friendly atmosphere where students have access to literacy, hands on creative learning materials like our Lego wall, giant magnet wall, and sensory play areas. Students also have access to technology such as Chromebooks, iPads, and Smartboards. We have a variety of activities and monthly programs throughout the Wiggle Jig program with Ballet Met, Local Matters food programming, Nationwide Children's Hospital, clinician visits, PNC bank volunteers and many other community helpers to make our center an amazing first step in a family's education journey.



**SCHOOL LEADERSHIP:**

Rhonda E. Childs, *Director*