



What is Best Start?

- ➔ Over 700 new licensed childcare spaces in Chatham-Kent for children 0-6 years!
- ➔ More family and child support services in your community! (See back for details)

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Childcare Centre:

Full day or part time licensed childcare / home care for children 0-12 years. Depending on the centres (see chart below), this could include care for infants, toddlers, preschoolers and school age children.

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Before & After Care:

Childcare for children 3.8 - 12 years offered in the hours before school starts and after school ends.

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Wrap-around Care:

Full day childcare for children on their 'days off' from Kindergarten / Junior Kindergarten.

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ELP (Early Learning Program):

For children to play and learn and be better prepared for school. Families with children 2.5 - 4 years enrolled in a participating Childcare Centre are eligible for 12.5 hours of free childcare every two weeks (space permitting).

The following are licensed programs. Fees may vary with each childcare centre.



Childcare Subsidy:

Call to see if you qualify for reduced childcare rates! (519) 351-1228 x 2131 or 2132

Childcare Centres in Tilbury & area:

Program	Location	Phone (519)	Childcare Centre age range	Before & After Care	Wrap-around Care	ELP
Chatham-Kent Kids	Supervised Home Childcare in Tilbury. Call for locations.	355-0537	0yrs - 12yrs	✓	✓	
Tilbury Tots Early Learning Centre	Ecole St. Francis 11 St. Clair St.	682-9127	2.5 -10yrs	✓		✓
Tilbury Tots Early Learning Centre	St. Joseph Catholic School 43 St. Clair St.	682-0200	2.5yrs -12yrs	✓	✓	✓
Tilbury Tots Early Learning Centre	Tilbury Area Public School 5 Mable St.	682-2095	4 -12yrs	✓	✓	
Tilbury Tots Early Learning Centre	Merlin Area Public School 21184 Erie St. N, Merlin	689-7027	2.5yrs -12yrs	✓	✓	✓
Tilbury Tots Early Learning Centre	Ecole St. Paul 840 Country Road 35, Stoney Point	798-3622	4yrs -10yrs	✓		
Tilbury Tots Early Learning Centre	Main Office 23 Elm St.	682-0804	3mo - 3.8yrs			✓
Young Minds Great Start	Montessori, 32 Canal St. E	682-4448	3mo - 12yrs	✓	✓	✓



It's:

childcare!

drop-in programs

a learning program for your child!

a subsidy!

school readiness!

a government initiative!

before & after school care!

& other community services!

Other Services:

Ontario Early Years

(519) 358-1451 x 0 www.ckoeyc.ca



Child centred playgroups
Parenting workshops & info
School readiness & literacy
Resource & toy lending
Childcare Information Registry

Public Health Unit

(519) 352-7270 www.chatham-kent.ca



Newborn & infant screening
Healthy Babies, Healthy Children
Building Healthy Babies in CK
Parenting programs & education
Pregnancy & new baby support

Prism Centre

(519) 354-0520 www.prismcentre.com



Early Words Preschool
Speech and Language Program
Audiology
Occupational & physical therapy

St. Mary's Family Learning Centre

(519) 252-0636 www.smflc.ca



Essex-Kent Infant Hearing
Blind - Low Vision

Chatham-Kent Children's Services

(519) 352-0440 www.ckics.com



Developmental Services
Mental Health services

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1-866-720-7975

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