

Philosophy

Mission Statement:

Community Early-years Childcare (CEYC) firmly believe in the importance of each individual child's early years as the foundation for their learning and development. The Educators at CEYC have a shared set of values and endeavour to provide rich and nurturing environments that supports children's learning through play. We are committed to inclusive practices to ensure that the voices of children, families and educators are heard and each perspective is valued. We pride ourselves on our ability to work collaboratively with families and communities.

Values:

- ◆ We respect family cultural practices in each community and aim to build partnerships that promote inclusive environments for all children, families and educators.
- ◆ We believe in quality education and care, and use a holistic approach to cater for the individual needs of the children, families and communities in which we operate.
- ◆ We respect each educator's personal pedagogies aim to achieve child focused approaches by offering high quality education and care which reflects current practices and professional knowledge, the National Quality Standards and recognised Developmental Frameworks.
- ◆ We acknowledge each child as an individual. We aim to fully support them to maximise their learning potential through developmentally appropriate experiences, which reflect the children's interests and strengths.
- ◆ We value play as a means for learning and recognise children learn by 'doing'. Our programs will therefore encompass an educational curriculum that uses play as the basis for learning.
- ◆ We value the cultural diversity found within our service and communities, and the cultural elements in our programs used to represent and learn about all persons and their culture.

Practices:

We will;

- ◆ Endeavour to develop reciprocal relationships with families and communities that acknowledge and respect diversity.
- ◆ Collaborate with individual communities to provide unique educational settings based on community needs.
- ◆ Engage in reflective practice regularly to inform our quest for best practice and future professional learning needs.
- ◆ Create a supportive environment that promotes trust, respects the rights and dignity of each individual and develops each child's self-identity and resilience.
- ◆ Foster the children's learning through the development of educational and care programs that are devised from the children's interests and developmental needs.
- ◆ Endeavour to reduce the environmental footprint by embedding sustainability practices within our services as appropriate.

Closing statement:

Community Early-years Childcare is committed to establishing quality education and care for all children as they embark on their journey through Early Childhood. Community Early-years Childcare endeavour to instil passion into each child which encourages them to Be, Belong and Become!