Our child care center is dedicated to providing an environment of trust, caring, learning, comfort, and safety. We provide child care that supports and strengthens families and nurtures the healthy, successful growth and development of each child involved.

The YMCA Children’s Academy is licensed through the state of Wisconsin Department of Children and Families. We are a small family-oriented center, balanced with being large enough to offer structure and a wealth of experiences, offering care for up to 48 children. We offer care Monday – Friday, 6:30 AM to 6:00 PM.

Our staff meets or exceeds the requirements of the state of Wisconsin and are CPR certified. They are required to have training and/or a degree in Early Childhood Development and experience with children. They must also keep current with continuing education hours. Most importantly, our staff are warm, caring and put first the needs of the children in their care.

The most important goal of the YMCA Children’s Academy is to help children become enthusiastic learners. We follow the Creative Curriculum model.

Creative Curriculum goals cover development in 4 major areas: social, emotional, cognitive, and physical growth.

The YMCA Children’s Academy is located at the First Congregational Church in Waukesha and is operated by the YMCA of Greater Waukesha County.

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The YMCA is the largest provider of child care services in the United States. The Waukesha YMCA provides a continuum of care from 6 weeks of age through age 13, on-site, at select elementary schools, and at the Y Children’s Academy.

6 WEEKS - 6 YEARS
Full-Day Child Care

AGES 3 – 5
Preschool & 4K & Extended Care

AGES 4 – 13
Before & After School Engagement (Y BASE) & Summer Day Camp

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REGISTRATION FEE A $60 per child registration fee is required at the time of enrollment and annually on January 10. The registration fee is nonrefundable and nontransferable. The registration fee will be prorated by quarter based on start date.

HOW DO I RECEIVE THE MEMBER RATE? YMCA Member rates are available to any family enrolled as household members at one of the YMCA of Greater Waukesha County locations. The household membership rate is $89 per month. Receive the loyalty rate of $79 per month after 12 consecutive months of membership.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE The YMCA believes in providing membership and program services to all who desire to participate. The Y’s Financial Assistance Program, supported through contributions to the Annual Campaign, provides membership and program assistance for those in need within our available resources.

WISCONSIN SHARES The YMCA Children’s Academy accepts Wisconsin Shares Child Care Assistance. Contact your Wisconsin Shares office for approval as you must have authorization before we can register your child.