



The Cardinal O'Connell Early Learning Center is unique in that it is the first designated Early Learning Center in the Lowell Public Schools. With a focus on serving our youngest learners – children ages 3 to 5 years of age – our environment and staff is dedicated to promoting early learning.

Our program includes the following:

- Curriculum based on standards
- Family events
- Playgroups for siblings
- Enrichment activities



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School Hours

Full Day Session: 9:10AM - 3:30PM

AM Session: 9:10AM - 11:40AM

PM Session: 1:00PM – 3:30PM



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“Wonder is the beginning of wisdom”
~Socrates

“The true sign of intelligence is not knowledge,
but imagination!” ~Albert Einstein

“For every ‘Why’ a child asks, s/he invites us
into a different definition of reality, and
ourselves.” ~Vince Gowmon



CORE VALUES:

We believe:

All children can learn when given opportunities, experiences, time, and support.

A respectful, environment values diversity and inclusivity.

A safe, respectful learning environment is a reflection of our community.

We promote:

Development of the whole child – physically, socially, emotionally, cognitively, linguistically, and artistically.

A shared responsibility between home, school, and the community in educating young children.

Our Staff:

Have expertise in working with young children three to five years of age.

Promote learning through engaging, hands-on activities.

Partner to support all children.

PARTNERSHIPS

- Lowell Early Childhood Advisory Council (LECC)
- Lowell Special Education Parent Advisory Council (SEPAC)
- On the Move

PARENT LEADERSHIP:

- School Site Council
- Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)
- Volunteering
- Coordinated Family and Community Engagement (CFCE)

