



Child Care Services Association (Durham)

1201 South Briggs Avenue, Suite 200
(919) 403-6950
<http://www.childcareservices.org>
Monday-Friday: 8am-5pm

Child Care Services Association (Chapel Hill)

1829 E. Franklin St, Bldg 1000
(919) 967-3272
<http://www.childcareservices.org>
Monday – Friday: 8am-5pm

We recommend you begin your childcare search by calling the Child Care Services for Durham or Chapel Hill. Child Care Services will ask where you live and how much money you can spend. IF YOU ASK they will also provide you with a list of day care centers that have openings at that time.

Duke also has a service for students, faculty and staff with children. Their website has detailed listings of individual child care providers by zip code (postcode) and other valuable information. The page with individual child care listings will ask you to accept their legal agreement that they are not responsible for the accuracy of the list.

Duke Staff & Family Program Office
154 Trent Hall, corner of Erwin Rd. & Trent St.

Hours: M-F, 8:00 a.m. - 5 p.m.
(919) 684-9040 (General Number)

<http://www.hr.duke.edu/childcare> OR <http://www.childcare.duke.edu/>

Preschools vs. Child Care

Preschools are usually half-day programs (about 9AM to 12 – 1PM) while **Child Care Centers** are all day (about 8AM-5pm), 5 days a week. Unfortunately, most Preschools and Child Care Centers fill up months in advance so you will have to put your child on a waiting list to enter the school. Many Preschools are closed during the summer holidays so, if you want to enroll your child for the Fall Semester, you should do so as soon as possible. We recommend putting your child on a school's waiting list, even if the list is long. You can also seek out individuals for preschool and after school child care. In general it is best to use caregivers who are licensed or certified by the state.

Fees: Financial aid is usually not available. Preschools affiliated with a religious institution such as a church or synagogues tend to be less expensive than full Child Care Centers. Some Child Care Centers are quite expensive. You will have to call each center and school to obtain fee information. This information is usually not published. The fees for individual caregivers are listed on Duke's website (see above).

Accreditation: North Carolina uses a rating system from 1-5 stars (5 is the best rating). This is based on the state evaluation of each facility. To learn more about the rating system, see www.dhhs.state.nc.us, and to look up the results for local preschool and day care facilities, go to the website: <http://ncchildcaresearch.dhhs.state.nc.us/search.asp>.

Location: In general, you will need to transport your child to a Preschool or Child Care Center by car. The majority of Day Care Centers and Preschools are NOT within walking distance of Duke.

Other Resources

Durham Mother's Club

A support network for mothers. Offers playgroups, monthly educational meetings, 300 plus members. Membership is \$15/year. Guests are welcome to visit for two months before joining.
Information: <http://www.durham-mothers-club.org>

Welcome Baby

A support network for new parents. Offers encouragement as well as information on infant care and development. Hosts workshops and activities, with information on all things baby-related. 721 Foster Street, Durham NC 27701 Contact: (919) 560-7150; Hours: Monday-Friday: 8:30-5:00 www.welcomebaby.org

Below is a list of **Preschools (P)** and **Child Care Centers (D)** attended by international children. The International House **does not** endorse any of the schools listed below. This list is provided solely for information purposes. **Before enrolling in any preschool or daycare, you are strongly, strongly recommend to visit with your child.**

Asbury Preschool (D)

806 Clarendon St, Durham, 286-2668
 Ages: 0-5 yrs
<http://asburypreschool.org>

Beth-El Synagogue Preschool (P)

1004 Watts St, Durham, 688-8704
 Ages: 2-4 yrs
<http://www.betheldurham.org/youthed/preschool>

Carolina Friends Early School (D)

4809 Friends School Rd., Durham
 383-6602 www.csfn.org
 Ages: 3-5 yrs

Chapel Hill Co-op Daycare (D)

110 N. Elliot Rd, Chapel Hill, 942-0220
 Ages: 0-2 yrs

Chapel Hill Co-op Preschool (P)

106 Purefoy Rd. Chapel Hill, 942-3955
 Ages: 2-5 yrs

Duke Children's Campus (D)

511 Alexander Ave, Durham, 684-8644
 Email: duke@brighthorizons.com
<http://www.hr.duke.edu/dcc>
 Ages: 6 wks-5 yrs

Duke Memorial Weekday School (P)

504 W. Chapel Hill St., Durham, 688-5130
www.dmws.org
 Ages: 3-5 years

Duke School for Children (P & D)

3716 Old Erwin Road, 493-1827
 Ages: 3-5 (preschool), 5-6 (kinder)
www.dukeschool.org

Epworth Preschool (P)

3002 Hope Valley Rd, Durham 489-6098
www.epworth-preschool.org
 Ages: 2-5 yrs

First Presbyterian Day School (D)

305 E. Main St, Durham, 688-8685
 Ages: 0-5 yrs

Greenwood School of Discovery (P)

1307 Woodcroft Parkway. Durham. 493-9244
 Ages: 1 – 5 yrs

Immaculata School Early Learning Center.(P)

721 Burch Ave, Durham, 682-5847, ext. 255
 Ages: 4-5 yrs

Jewish Community Day School (P & D)

1935 W. Cornwallis Rd, Durham, 286-5517
www.lernerschool.org
 Ages: 3 yrs and older

KIN (D)

1006 Broad St, Durham, 286-7773
 Ages: 3-5 yrs

KIN Too (D)

1416 Broad St, Durham, 286-5432
 Ages: 12 months - 3 yrs

Lakewood Ave. Children's School (D)

1701 Lakewood Ave, Durham, 493-5882
www.lakewoodavenue.com
 Ages: 1-5 yrs

Montessori Children's House (P & Elementary School)

2400 University Dr, Durham, 489-9045
www.mchdurham.org
 Ages: 18 mos and 12 yr.

Montessori Community School (D & Elementary School)

4512 Pope Rd, Durham, 493-8541
 Ages: 2 yrs & up through 14 yr.
www.mcsdurham.org

St Luke's Episcopal Nursery & Kinder (P)

1737 Hillandale Rd, Durham, 286-2274
 Ages: 3-5 yrs

Trinity Ave. Presbyterian Church School (P & Kindergarten)

927 W. Trinity Ave, Durham, 682-3865
 Ages: 2-5 yrs www.trinityave.org

Yates Baptist Development Center (D)

2819 Chapel Hill Rd, Durham – 489 5760
 Ages: 3mths – 5yrs; **Summer Camp K-8 yr**

Please Note: Because of reports of bad experiences by an international family, we do not recommend the Grove Park Chapel's preschool program.