

## The Developmental Learning Center . . .



is a five day, 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. ministry of First United Methodist Church, seeking to guide individual development during a child's early years. All meals and snacks are catered for maximum nutritional benefit. And the DLC maintains an open door policy. Parents are welcome at the center at any time. They are encouraged to participate in all field trips, center events and any other activities that occur.

### DLC Offered Activities

*(Some activities require additional fees)*

- Chapel
- Cooking
- Dance
- Drama
- Gymnastics
- Ice Skating
- Music
- Physical Education
- Spanish
- Swimming

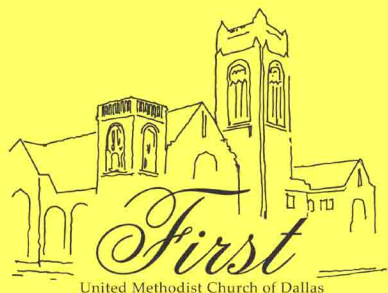
### DLC Sponsored Activities

- Easter Egg Hunt and Picnic
- July 4th Picnic
- Halloween Walk-Around
- Thanksgiving Luncheon
- Christmas Program



## Parent Teacher Council

The mission of the PTC is to provide opportunities for fellowship among the parents and staff, enrich the learning environment for the children, express appreciation for the teachers and support the DLC with practical assistance and financial support. The PTC is involved in a lot of different activities such as special events, teacher recognition, classroom assistance and fundraisers.



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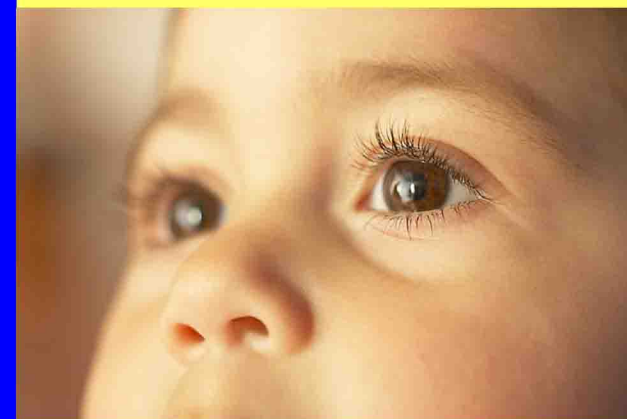
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A ministry of  
First United  
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- Dallas

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"building friendships and futures"

Our mission is to provide laughter through a loving and nurturing environment resulting in quality childcare for children.

# Developmental Learning Center Philosophy



The Developmental Learning Center strives to provide quality care and early education for young children in a Christian setting and a family oriented environment. The DLC understands that all of us develop in stages from infancy through old age. Each stage of development is defined with unique qualities that affect subsequent development. Through provision of developmentally appropriate settings and activities, the DLC seeks to meet each child's individual learning style and developmental needs within a group setting.



## Developmental Learning Center Objectives

- ♥ Each child will be treated with loving care and respect.
- ♥ The DLC will provide a high quality, developmentally oriented learning environment.
- ♥ The DLC will provide services and support for families.
- ♥ The DLC will facilitate a partnership between parents and teachers to best promote the interests of each child.
- ♥ The DLC will provide parent/teacher education.
- ♥ Each child will have a chance to develop at their own pace in a safe and loving environment.



## Licensing, Accreditation and Ratios

The DLC meets or exceeds all Texas State Licensing requirements and maintains the high standards of accreditation by the National Association of Education for Young Children (NAEYC).

Our student-teacher ratios are set according to the guidelines of NAEYC in order to promote optimal individual development.

## Developmental Learning Center Goals

- ♥ Our children will experience positive relationships with peers in the classroom and with adults in the DLC.
- ♥ Children will learn to define and express their feelings.
- ♥ Our children will discover the positive challenge of new experiences.
- ♥ Our children will build good physical skills and large motor coordination.
- ♥ Our children will experience creative expression through art, music, dramatic play and literature.
- ♥ Our children will broaden cognitive areas, and grow in social skills and understanding of their social environment.
- ♥ Our children will gain communication skills through language development.
- ♥ Our children will benefit from the partnership between home and school which encourages collaboration between teachers and parents, as well as parental visitation to and encouraged involvement in the DLC.

