

Placentino Preschool is an inclusive early childhood learning environment that is accredited by NAEYC (the National Association for the Education of Young Children) and includes 3 and 4 year old children whose families reside in Holliston. Our classrooms are integrated which means they include typically developing children as well as children with disabilities. Our program is designed to provide a developmentally appropriate, language-rich and stimulating learning environment to support the whole child. Children learn through a variety of play-based experiences that encourage active participation in learning. Teachers support, guide, and directly teach the children age-appropriate cognitive and social skills. The structure of the classroom includes consistent but flexible routines and activities designed to promote language/listening skills, motor development and opportunities for developing artistic abilities and appreciation.

Each of our three classrooms is each staffed with an early childhood special educator. This teacher is supported by at least one paraprofessional. The program is also supported by speech therapists, occupational therapists, physical therapists and behavior specialists. There are 12-15 children in each class; up to half of the students enrolled in the classroom may be children who have special needs. Each classroom has two 2.5 hour sessions per day - one in the morning (8:55 - 11:25) and one in the afternoon (12:45 - 3:15).