

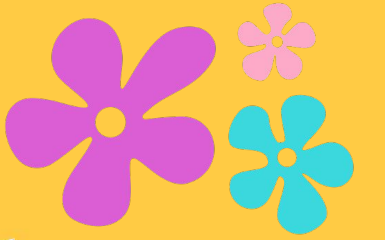
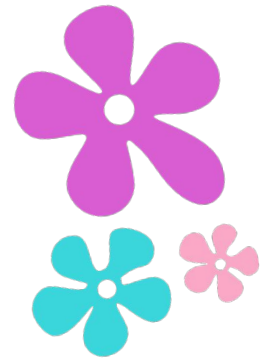
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# Early Childhood & Elementary Summer Academy

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# A look into summer



## **Jump Into Kindergarten**

Active & Engaging  
Learning

## **Curriculum**

ELA, Math,  
STEAM, Science,  
Social Studies &  
Social Emotional

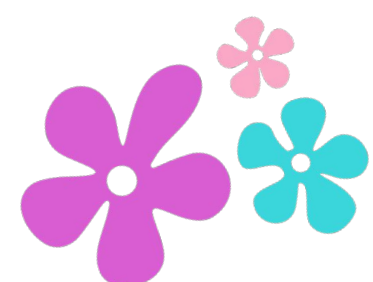
## **Extra Curricular**

Field trips, Dance,  
Yoga & Martial Arts



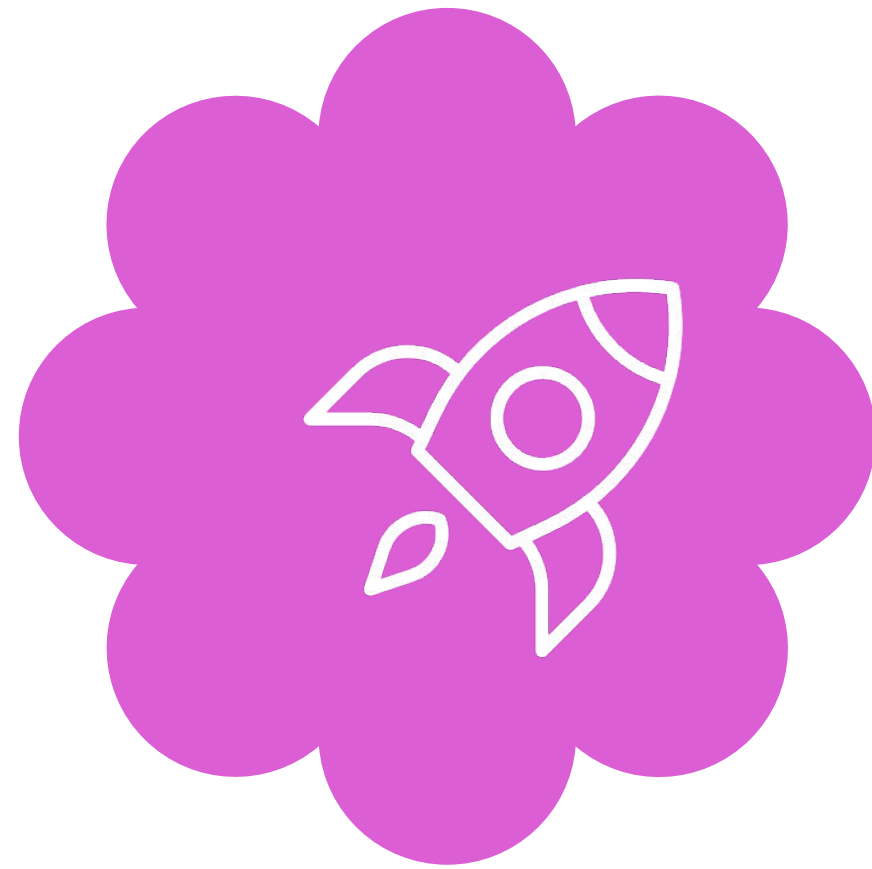


# Jump Into Kindergarten





# Pre-K Curriculum



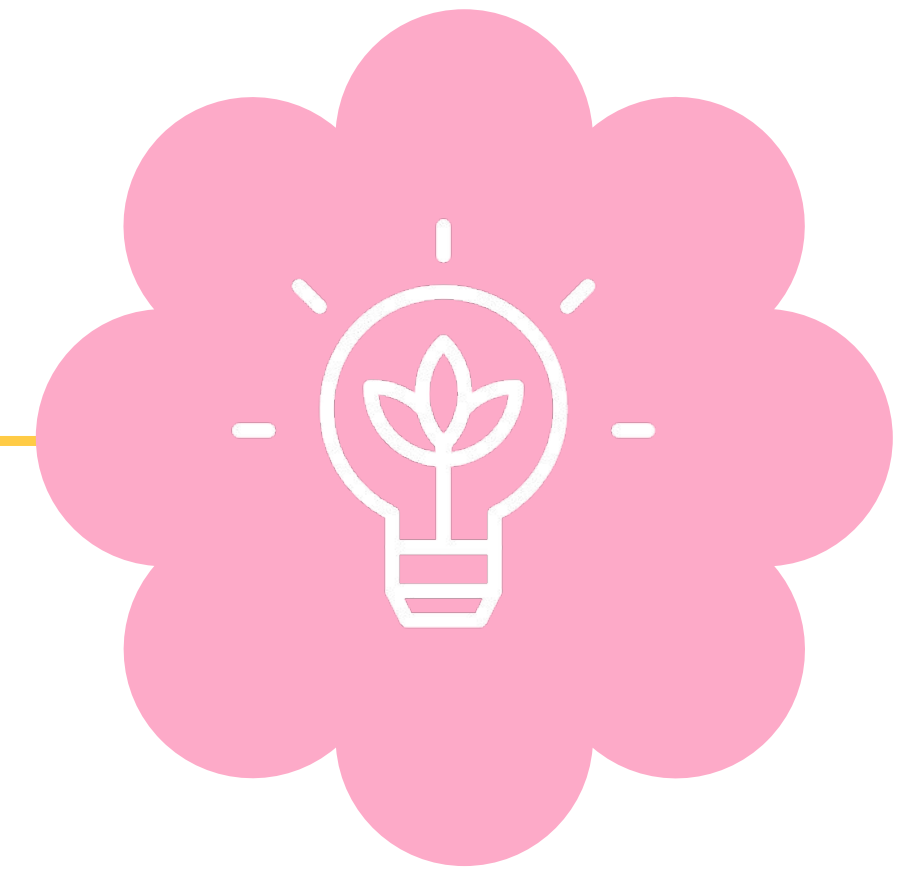
## Investigator Club

Developing young readers by  
fostering imagination, active  
play, and social emotional  
skills



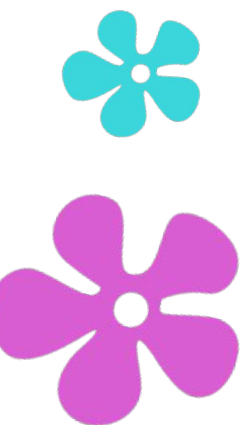
## Handwriting Without Tears

Learning through  
multisensory readiness  
activities



## Field Trips

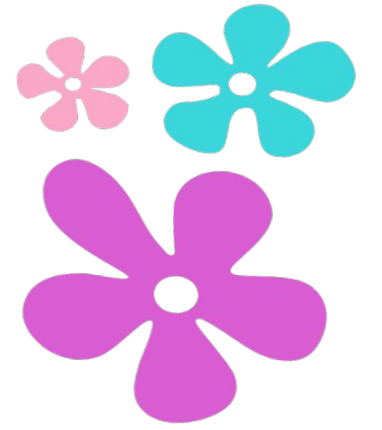
Dow Gardens and the  
Planetarium



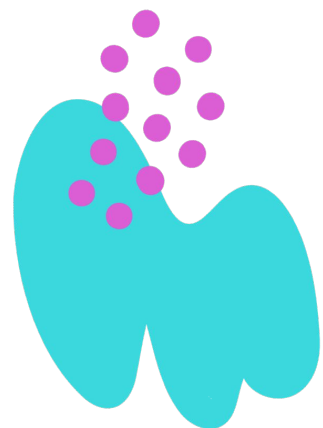


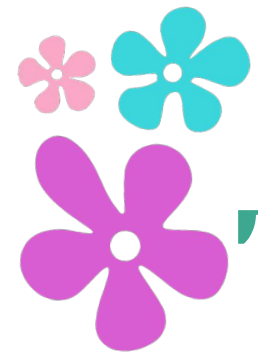


# Jump Into Kindergarten Stone Elementary



**The Investigators Club**  
**Handwriting without Tears**  
**Letters–Numbers–Colors**  
**Read Alouds**  
**Fine Motor Gross Motor**  
**Hands on Activities**  
**Outside Exploration**  
**Field Trip– Dow Gardens and Planetarium**  
**Story Hour Guest**  
**PreK Coach for Social Emotional**





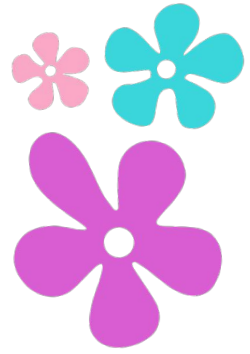
# The Investigator Club

**Get Ready for Kindergarten!** meets standards in ten domains, including literacy, math, science, physical, and social and emotional development. GRFK provides 20 full or half days of instruction and assessment, extensions, books, manipulatives, and interactive online components.

The program includes support for at-risk students, differentiation, and dual language learners. Provided book packs for families and leveled readers for advanced literacy and STEAM experiences for transitional kindergarten.





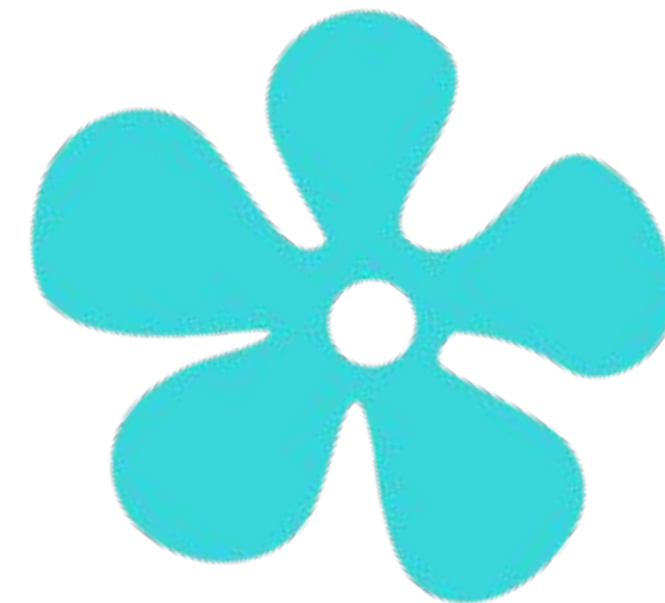
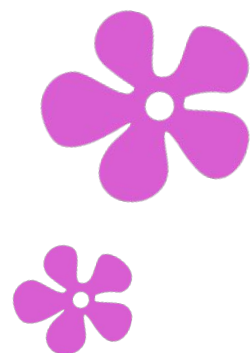


# Staffing

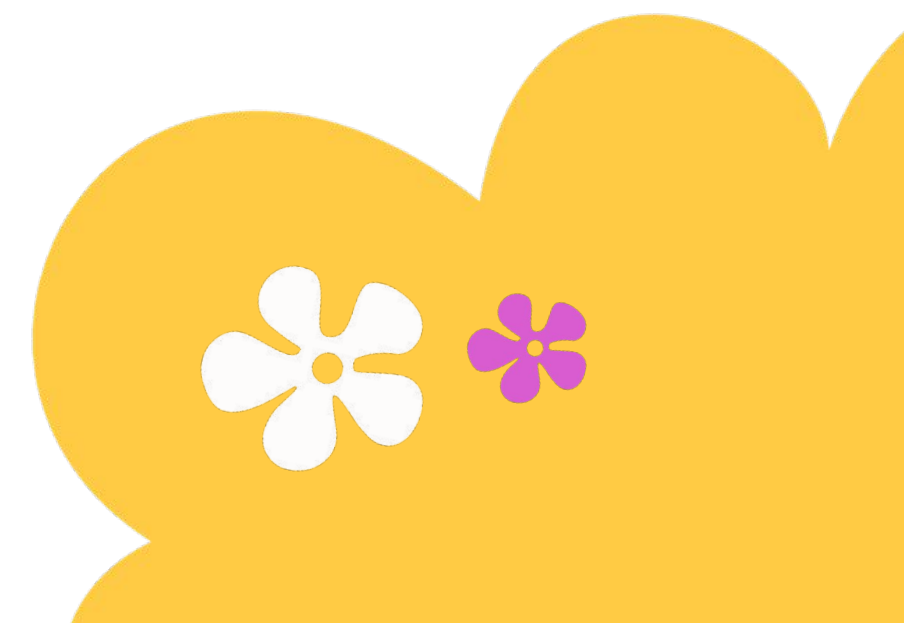
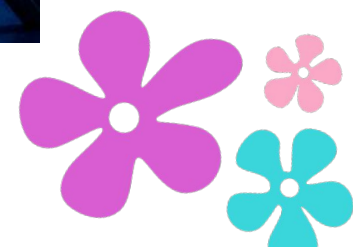
- 5 Teachers
- 5 Associate Teachers
- 1 Social Emotional Coach
- 1 Site Supervisor
- 1 Secretary
- 1 Security Officer







# Elementary Curriculum



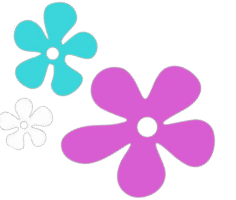




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Monday - Thursday

8:00am - 2:00pm



**SAVVAS Reading (k-5)** (integrating social studies)

**Handwriting Without Tears (k-5)**

**Take Home Books/Read Alouds (k-5)**

**Moving with Math (k-5)**

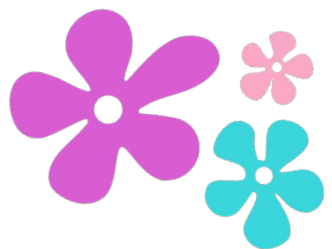
**UFLI Foundations phonics intervention (k-5)**

**STEAM: Dissection, Baking, Space, Animals, etc.** (integrating science)

**Pre & Post Test Math & ELA**

**Art**

**Music**



# Daily Schedule

K	1	2	3	4	5
Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast
Reading	Intervention	Math	Art, PE, Music	STEAM	Dance, Yoga, Martial Arts
Math	Reading	Intervention	Dance, Yoga, Martial Arts	Art, PE, Music	STEAM
Intervention	Math	Reading	STEAM	Dance, Yoga, Martial Arts	Art, PE, Music
Lunch			Lunch		
Art, PE, Music	STEAM	Dance, Yoga, Martial Arts	Reading	Intervention	Math
Dance, Yoga, Martial Arts	Art, PE, Music	STEAM	Math	Reading	Intervention
STEAM	Dance, Yoga, Martial Arts	Art, PE, Music	Intervention	Math	Reading
Dismissal	Dismissal	Dismissal	Dismissal	Dismissal	Dismissal



# Savvas

- ***Savvas Summer Impact Reading*** provides a standards-aligned curriculum that helps students master grade-level instructional priorities in literacy/ELA.
- High-Quality Instruction that helps to build listening comprehension and fluency skills, and content-rich texts improve students' reading skills
- Adaptive Personalized Learning with proven-effective, *SuccessMaker Reading* provides individualized instruction and growth

# Moving With Math

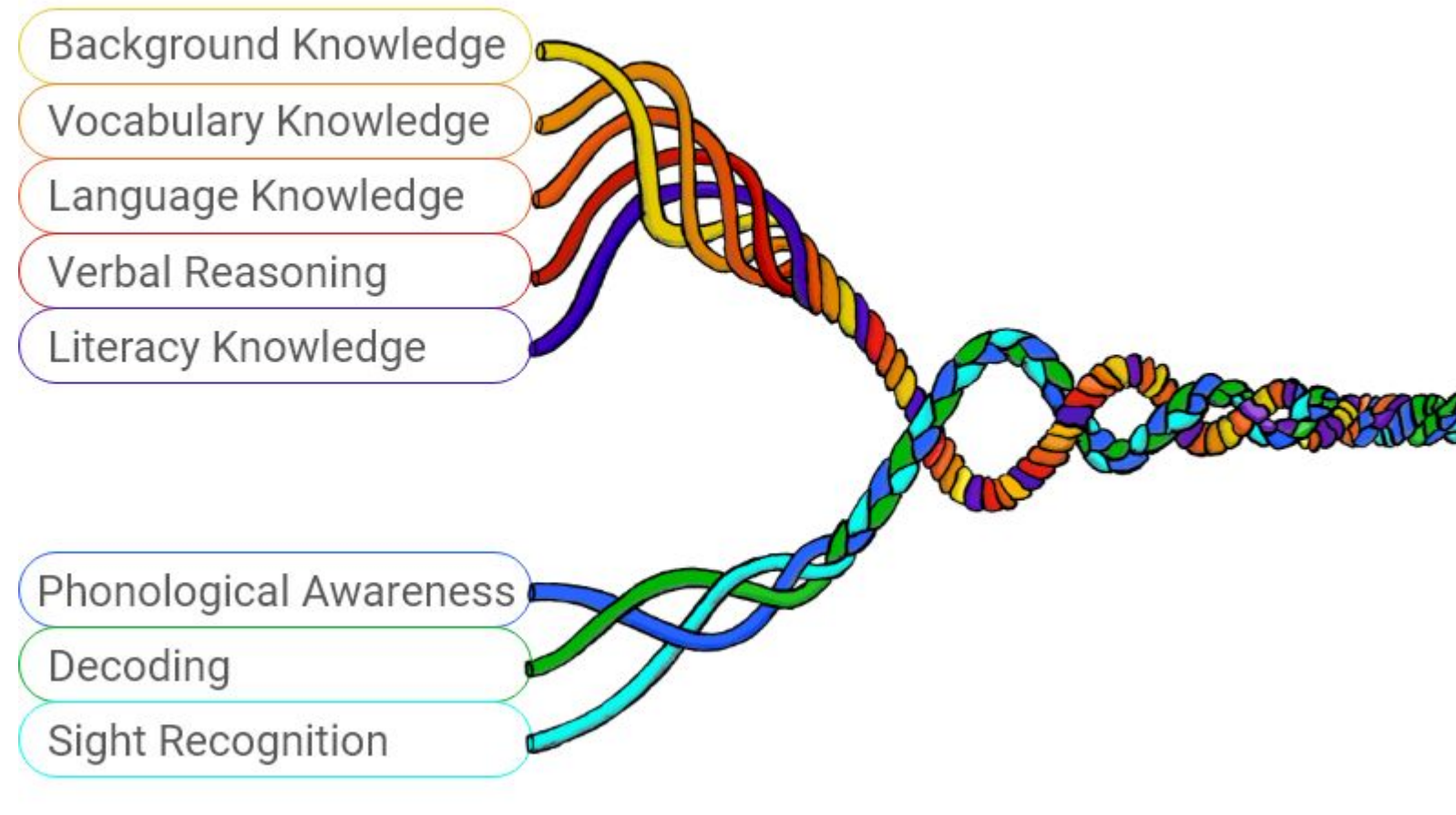


For over 40 years, Moving with Math has been providing successful educational math solutions for students, teachers and administrators. The heart of this success has been the steadfast commitment to using true concrete manipulatives with the **Concrete-Representational-Abstract** instructional methodology to develop conceptual understanding of essential objectives. As students **hold manipulatives** in their hands, **talk aloud** and **draw pictures**, they develop an understanding of key concepts at the concrete level and are then guided to understand the abstract written symbols used to show math.

**Formative assessments**, correlated to objectives, drive **explicit instruction** and **progress monitoring** and daily reviews help verify conceptual understanding and aid in long term retention. Easy-to-use Teacher Guides save time with **comprehensive lesson plans** and provide Professional Development every day with **lightly scripted lessons** highlighting the important steps in teaching with manipulatives.

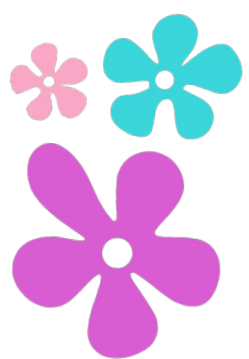


# Handwriting Without Tears



Handwriting is one of the foundational skills that leads students toward automatic word recognition.

It falls in the bottom skills portion of Scarborough's rope. As students practice letter formation with Handwriting Without Tears, they reinforce the alphabetic principle. This practice ensures automatic recall of symbols for sounds, facilitating knowledge transfer as they progress.



# UFLI Foundations



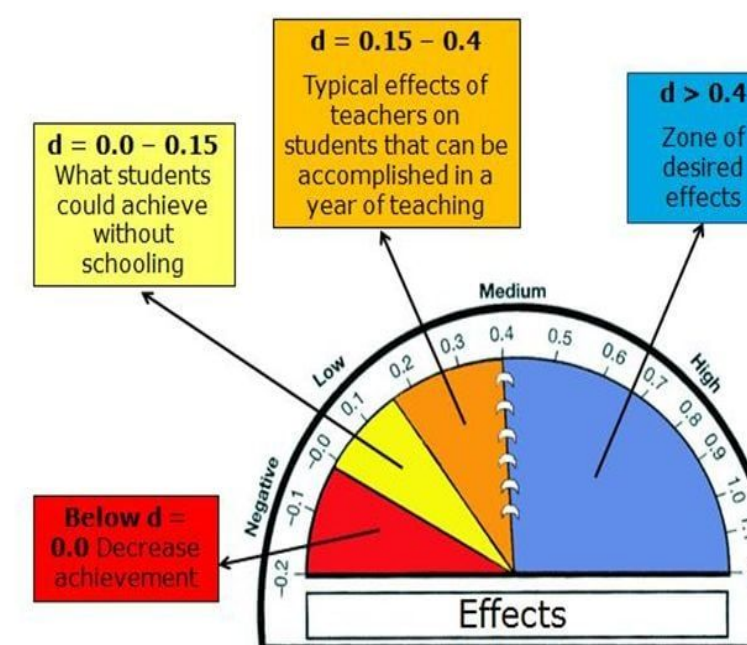
→ UFLI (**University of Florida Literacy Institute**) Foundations program is both **research** and **evidence** based. UFLI was developed by the University of Florida Literacy Institute, and piloted in one school for a year and then released to all 21 schools in that district the following year.

→ **Research** –the skills are interleaved, so students are provided multiple opportunities to practice foundational skills with explicit instructional strategies.

→ **Evidence** – Schools implementing UFLI Foundations saw **significant growth** in student literacy rates. Student growth data was collected during progress monitoring using DIBELS which demonstrated the program was an effective tool to build foundational reading skills.

## Finding Best Practices

Barometers of Influence



Hattie, J. (2009) *Visible Learning*. Rutledge. New York

## Effect Sizes using UFLI Foundations

(Standard deviation above the control group.)

- Kindergarten 1.2-1.44
- First Grade 1.42-2.04





# STEM Kits





# Baking Kits





# Extra Curriculars



# Keep the Body Moving

## Martial Arts

Develops confidence, mental strength, tenacity, humility, respect, discipline and much more.



## Yoga

Develops physical skill, strength, balance, coordination as well as emotional benefits such as focus, mindfulness, stress reduction and self-esteem.



## Dance

Develops motor skills, along with benefits of cognitive and social skills like memory, concentration, and teamwork.







# Field Trips

## Detroit Zoo

Students will explore diverse habitats, observe amazing animals up close, and learn about wildlife conservation and environmental stewardship. This hands-on experience fosters curiosity about the natural world while highlighting the importance of protecting our planet's incredible biodiversity.

## Impression 5

**Impression 5 Science Center** is a dynamic, interactive space for families to play, create, and challenge their understanding of science. Our mission is to facilitate learners in scientific exploration through hands-on exhibits and participatory educational programming.

## Michigan Science Center

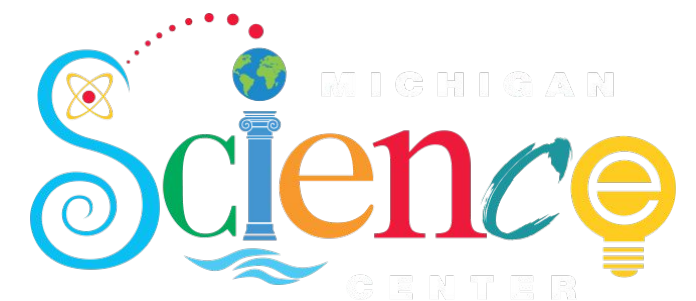
Discover, explore and appreciate STEM in a creative and dynamic learning environment using informal learning techniques that emphasize hands-on, minds-on interactivity and engaging exhibits.

## Planetarium

Explore the wonders of our universe! This immersive experience fosters an appreciation for science through engaging presentations and interactive exhibits. Students will discover celestial phenomena, space exploration, and the real-world applications of STEM, sparking curiosity and wonder about the cosmos.

## Capitol Building

Discover the heart of state government with a visit to Lansing! Explore the historic rotunda, Governor's Office, Old Supreme Court Chamber, and Senate and House Chambers while learning about the Capitol's history, architecture, and the legislative process. This experience highlights state government, civic engagement, and the importance of active participation in democracy..







# Staffing



- 35 Teachers
- 6 Interventionists
- 3 Special Education Aides
- 3 College Tutors
- 2 Social Workers

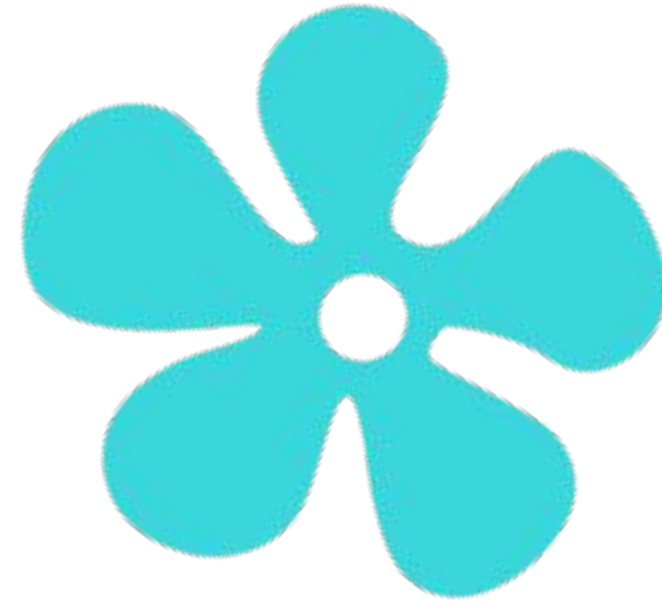
- 3 Behavior Interventionists
- 3 Instructional Coaches
- 3 Site Supervisors
- 3 Secretaries
- 3 Security Officers







# Whole Child Support



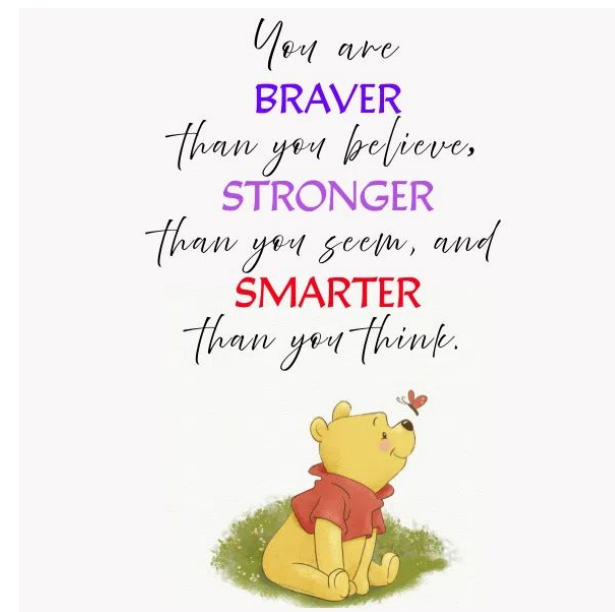
**Social Worker**  
**Academic Interventionist**  
**Behavior Interventionist**  
**3 College Tutors**  
**Breakfast & Lunch**  
**Movement & Health**  
**Security**  
**Transportation**



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# Thank you



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"The beautiful thing about learning is that  
no one can take it away from you." – B.B.  
King