The Madison Metropolitan School District Play and Learn Program mission is to provide a quality environment where parents and caregivers can develop and strengthen skills to enhance their child’s learning and growth in literacy, math, and social skills.

Program Goals

- Enhance caregivers’ competence and confidence in giving the child the best possible start in life
- Strengthen caregivers’ knowledge of child development and appropriate ways to stimulate learning
- Promote community among participants and staff to support families with young children
- Provide a means for early detection of potential developmental delays
- Increase caregivers’ access to materials and ideas that can be replicated with children in their homes

Adapted from National Center for Parents As Teachers

The Madison Metropolitan School District does not discriminate in its educational programs, activities (including School-Community Recreation) and employment practices as applicable to local, state and federal laws.

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Play and Learn

What Is It?
The Play and Learn program is a fun and engaging free-of-charge program offered by the Madison Metropolitan School District for children ages Birth to 5 and their parent(s)/caregiver(s) who reside in the Madison school district. This program is designed for children who are not currently participating in similar programs. Children learn early math, literacy, and social skills through play; caregivers learn about child development and the importance of play.

Who Can Attend?
The program model requires parents/caregivers to attend with the children. This may include parents, grandparents, other relatives, or non-regulated in-home care providers. Based on the nature of the program, with a focus on parent/caregiver education, we ask that parents/caregivers limit the number of children that they bring to any given session to three children.

Cost
There is no cost to participate in the Play and Learn Program. Families who live in the Madison school district can attend the program.

Schedule
The Play and Learn program sessions meet for 2 1/2 hours one time per week. Actual hours vary by site. Please see opposite page for a list of sites and contact information.

Registration
There is an application and enrollment process. Families can obtain the necessary forms by contacting the Play and Learn Program (phone numbers listed on this brochure). There is limited space available; families can put their name on a waiting list.

Contact Information
English (608) 204-6785
Spanish (608) 204-7918
Hmong (608) 204-6783

Site Listings
Revival Ridge Apartments
2313 Allied Drive

Southridge Village Apartments
1914 Post Road

Centro Hispano
810 Badger Road

Vera Court
614 Vera Court

Bayview Community Center
601 Bayview

Meadowood Neighborhood Center
5734 Raymond Road

Salvation Army/Darbo Worthington
3030 Darbo Way

Northport Community Center
1740 Northport Drive

Bridge Lake
1917 Lake Point Drive

Goodman Community Center
149 Waubesa Street

Lakeview Library
2845 N Sherman Avenue

St. Paul’s Lutheran Church/Brentwood Neighborhood
2126 N. Sherman Ave.