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FOR HEALTHY LIVING  
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

## **BUILDING STRONG BRIGHT FUTURES**

### **COMING SOON!**



**SOUTH SHORE YMCA  
EARLY LEARNING CENTER – North Quincy**  
Infants, Toddlers, Preschool, Pre-K, Kindergarten  
Ages 6 weeks through 5+ years

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Our educationally based childcare programs provide a safe, healthy environment with age appropriate indoor and outdoor physical space and equipment to facilitate each child's learning and development. We are conveniently located at One Heritage Drive in North Quincy, MA.

- The SOUTH SHORE YMCA's Early Learning Center – North Quincy is committed to quality. All programs are licensed by the MA Department of Early Education and Care.
- Children bring a lunch, while the program provides healthy drinks and snacks.
- Rolling admissions based on availability.
- Full and part time options are available for Infant, Toddler, Preschool, Pre-K and Private Kindergarten children to meet family's childcare needs.
- The South Shore YMCA is a charity. Dollars raised through charitable gifts to our Change a Life Fund ensure financial assistance and accessibility to programs and services for all. Applications available at [ssymca.org](http://ssymca.org)

The SOUTH SHORE YMCA does not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, cultural heritage, political belief, marital status, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity or toileting status.

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## PROGRAMS OFFERED

- Infants: 6 weeks to 14 months old
- Toddlers: 15 months to 2.9 years old
- Preschool: 2.9 to 4 years old
- PreK: 4 to 5 years old
- Private Kindergarten

Programs offer flexible schedules to meet the needs of families. Two day minimum required.

**OPEN 7:00AM – 6:00PM**

**Full Day:** up to 10 Hours

### CURRICULUM

Our qualified educators use **Teaching Strategies Gold**, a research based curriculum that addresses all curriculum areas and meets national and state education standards.

- Emphasizes the importance of routines
- Provides an assessment tool
- Promotes hands-on learning through exploration
- Supports early literacy and language development
- Ensures preparation for elementary school

### FAMILY INVOLVEMENT

We partner with families to support the education, health and happiness of every child. We encourage involvement in our Family Advisory Council. We collaborate with early childhood specialists and programs in our community to provide families with support and services.



### ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

Enrichment programs are embedded into the curriculum to provide children opportunities to be well-rounded learners.

- Swim at the Quincy Y
- Visits from SSNSC Naturalists
- Music and movement
- Yoga
- Connections with Community
- Indoor and outdoor exploration and play



## OUR FOCUS

The SOUTH SHORE YMCA is committed to strengthening our communities by nurturing the potential of children, promoting healthy living, and fostering a sense of responsibility.

Our **Infant** program provides the necessary attention and flexible schedules to meet each child's developmental needs.

**Toddlers** receive guidance and support from a warm, caring staff. Open-ended activities help toddlers learn through play as they navigate social situations, investigate cause and effect relationships, and build essential early language and motor skills.

The **Preschoolers** use their curiosity and imagination to become creative thinkers. Active and exuberant learners, they work on increasing the mastery of physical skills and develop positive self-image.

The curriculum for **Pre-K and Kindergarten** prepares children to become independent learners, develop self-confidence and social skills for sharing in a classroom setting. We focus on language and literacy development, math activities, science and nature, music and movement through many enrichment activities.

### THE KIDZONE: Indoor Large Motor Activity Room

Developing habits for healthy living starts at an early age. The **KidZone** is our innovative indoor playground with engaging, challenging, and developmentally appropriate equipment designed to meet the needs of young children.

- Scooters and trikes to build balance and coordination
- Equipment for gross motor development
- Basketball hoops and balls to facilitate hand-eye coordination
- Tunnels and tents for special awareness
- Wheeled toys for pushing and pulling to build upper body strength

Time in the **KidZone** is part of every child's daily schedule where children will run, climb, crawl and skip their way to healthy minds and bodies.

### EARLY LEARNING EDUCATORS

Early Learning Center Director **Gillian Bianculli** is proud to call herself a Quincy native and graduate of North Quincy High School. Gillian received her BA with a minor in elementary education and a Master's Degree in Early Childhood Education from Eastern Nazarene College. Gillian is excited to continue her career as the Director of the new Early Learning Center –North Quincy and looks forward to meeting the children and families in her community! Gillian's experience and knowledge will lead our team of educators to provide the best in early education for young children while supporting their growth and development at the Early Learning Center –North Quincy.

