Welcome

"Where Great Beginnings Last a Lifetime!"

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Welcome to LifeSpan

Great Beginnings Last a LifeSpan...a LifeSpan of memories, friendships, fun and learning. From the tiniest of babies to seniors in their twilight years, LifeSpan has been there responding to the needs of the community.

It has been wonderful for me personally to observe the brilliance in the LifeSpan programs personalized by the many wonderful staff, whose growth and development has evolved through the years. They have been replicated many times over as they mentor and guide new staff into the LifeSpan team.

Everyday special moments occur with the children. Life's moments—the birth of a child, sickness in the family, the "sandwich generation", single parent families, birthdays, holiday parties, first steps, sharing stories, are everyday occurrences in the world of LifeSpan.

Thank you for entrusting your children to us. We have great fun guiding, caring, and teaching. It is my privilege and honor to be such an integral part of the LifeQuest organization, where the community impact has been tremendously affected by great people working together.

Nicole Fetherman
Executive Director
MISSION STATEMENT

To provide trusted care to all through compassion, friendship, respect and top quality services.

BILL OF RIGHTS

• Every child shall be given opportunities which enable them to develop physically, mentally, emotionally, and socially in a healthy and normal manner and in conditions of freedom and dignity.
• Every Child shall be provided a clean, safe environment to grow and be nurtured.
• Every child shall be cared for as an individual with individualized needs.
• Every child and his family’s privacy, lifestyle and cultural background shall be respected.
Our infant program provides a setting where caregivers not only ensure children's safety and comfort but also foster infant's physical, sensory, social, emotional and intellectual development. Our teachers know that babies grow and learn best when they feel secure. Our infant environments help infants develop trust and security by knowing that their caregivers will be right there to help if they are hungry, wet or uncomfortable. Our warm and caring staff create a nurturing and loving environment.
The goal of our toddler program is to develop children to see their world as individuals. This is their first step towards independence. Toddlers learn best through play, exploration, and observation. At LifeSpan toddlers learn at their own pace and reach developmental milestones when they are confident and ready. Ounce child assessments are completed in both our infant and toddler programs.
Our pre-school program balances both teacher-directed and child initiated learning with an emphasis on responding to children’s learning styles and building on their strengths and interests. Our preschool classrooms develop themes and projects through which children can expand their knowledge and skills in various areas. Children are able to reach a deeper understanding of a subject when they can make connections across several disciplines. Our integrated curriculum focuses on language and literacy, mathematics and science, social studies and art, music drama and dance. Work sampling child assessments are completed in all our preschool and pre-k classes.
Kindergarten

LifeSpan's kindergarten curriculum is integrated across subjects and areas of development. As children engage in projects and other learning experiences of interest to them they develop intellectually, socially, and physically, and they use and extend their knowledge and skills in many areas. Children are natural learners, and they learn best when they interact with others and work actively with materials in interesting activities. This program is licensed by the Pennsylvania Department of Education as Private Academic and the curriculum is aligned with Quakertown Community School District.
Enrichment

LifeSpan’s enrichment program is available for children who need half-day care before or after their public school kindergarten. The focus of this program is to provide creative, exploratory and educational enrichment to a small group of children in a loving and secure atmosphere. Busing is available to and from most schools.

School age—before & after School Program

Our school age children have the opportunity to participate in fun and exciting activities, sports and arts and crafts along with homework assistance and supervision. Our program offers great flexibility. Count on LifeSpan when schools schedule half or full days off or have delayed openings. LifeSpan incorporates positive behavior support strategies to help children learn important self-management skills, build friendships and promote positive behaviors.
Summer camp

Our camp curriculum is theme based and changes weekly to allow children to investigate and experience many different cultures, events and areas of knowledge during their camp day. Opportunities for creative expression, participation in organized sports, science and environmental exploration are also offered through weekly clubs. Swimming time is a part of most days and the children enjoy weekly field trips to fun and interesting area venues.
Pre-K Counts

Pre-K Counts is a grant from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania that makes high quality pre-school education available to families who are income eligible. Pre-K Counts is for children between three and four years of age. Children must be ready to enter kindergarten within one or two years. Pre-K Counts is a full day program and has a limited number of openings each year. Pre-K Counts staff know that early education will make children more ready to learn and more successful when they enter school. LifeSpan offers three Pre-K Counts classrooms in the Quakertown area.

All of our Early Learning Centers provide meals (breakfast, lunch and snacks) catered and delivered daily by our food service vendor, Kremmer’s. Infants are provided with formula and baby food based on their developmental stage. Additionally, Kremmer’s offers a fee-for-service meal plan called Meals on the Fly. Busy families can order healthy meals a day ahead to be delivered to the center and available for pick up when you arrive to pick up your children. Great for those evenings of sports and other extra-curricular activities.
Curriculum

The Creative Curriculum®
Our curriculum program and activities are designed with your child's needs in mind. LifeSpan utilizes Creative Curriculum to promote healthy development. Our infants and toddlers are captivated by our sensory awareness and hands-on education approach. LifeSpan’s pre-school and kindergarten are acquainted with computer learning, science, art, music, language arts, and math through fun-filled, learning-based curriculum. All lesson plans are aligned with the Pennsylvania Early Learning Standards.

Our Spanish Curriculum, SPARK, and intergenerational activities are just some of the additional features offered at LifeSpan. SPARK includes age appropriate exercise and movement with an emphasis on large muscle development taught through music and stories. Our intergenerational program with our nursing centers incorporate growing relationships with their “grand-friends.”
Music, Spanish, and Sign Language

Hunter Chadeayne is the Music, Spanish, and Sign Language instructor for all of our LifeSpan Early Childhood Centers. Through our curriculum, the children will have the ability to participate in large group musical activities, express themselves through many different musical outlets, learn and develop beginning Spanish and Sign Language vocabulary, and enhance fine and gross motor dexterity, all while having fun in their classroom. In your child’s daily experience with us, they will learn Spanish and Sign Language and also learn to express what they want and may or may not know how to say. The hope in using and teaching ASL and Spanish is that your children will have a broader understanding of the world in which they live and are prepared to communicate and express themselves in so many different ways.
It is our belief that these enrichment opportunities can work in tandem with any curriculum that is set in place for our children. It is with that mindset that we introduce your children to a quality of learning and exploration through music, Spanish, and Sign Language.

is the leading and most comprehensive digital early learning resource for children ages 2-8. To date, children have completed more than 2 billion learning activities on ABCmouse. Winner of numerous awards from national education, parent, and media organizations, ABCmouse offers an expert-designed curriculum for preschool, pre-k, kindergarten, 1st grade, and 2nd grade. With more than 8,500 individual learning activities and 850+ complete lessons along our Step-by-Step Learning Path, ABCmouse encompasses reading and language arts, math, science, health, social studies, art, and music. ABCmouse is available to families on a low-cost subscription basis for use on computers, tablets, or smartphones. Teachers love the access in the classroom to introduce technology into the classroom for early exposure and skill building.
HiMama (www.HiMama.com) offers childcare centers a program providing parents with daily correspondence through email, app and text. The same information that is provided to you on your daily sheet will now come directly to your smart phone or tablet with photos and teacher comments. This allows teachers to spend less time documenting daily activities and allows them more time to spend with your children. The convenient access also provides opportunities for individual conferences and communication with the teachers.

**Cutie’s Care**

As part of our comprehensive services, we provide diapers and wipes for our youngest children (infants - walkers - toddlers). This way you’ll never worry about running out! Great for parents on the go.
Keystone Stars is an easily recognizable indication that a program is working on continuous quality improvement. Recognized areas are leadership/management, staff qualifications, child curriculum, and partnerships with family and the community. Quality environments help children to develop in ways that foster success. Having been awarded Stars 3 and 4 from the PA Keystone Stars, LifeSpan can help you make the best early learning choices for your family. We believe that every child is Pennsylvania’s future.

Licensed by the Department of Human Services and the Department of Education assures compliance of performance standards within the industry and the state.
9 Locations

**Quakertown**
2460 John Fries Highway
Quakertown, PA 18951
215 536-4417 or 215 896-9917
Director - Jennifer Hausman
6:00 AM - 6:00 PM

**Quakertown School Age**
Located at all 6 Quakertown Elementary Schools
267 424-2024
Director - Robyn Jardine
6:30 AM to 6:00 PM

**Allentown**
1651 Cedar Crest Boulevard
Allentown, PA 18104
610 435-7833
Director - Michael Hoffman
6:00 AM - 6:00 PM

**East Greenville**
399 Washington Street
East Greenville, PA 18041
215 679-5940
Director - Jen Lavin
6:00 AM - 6:00 PM

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