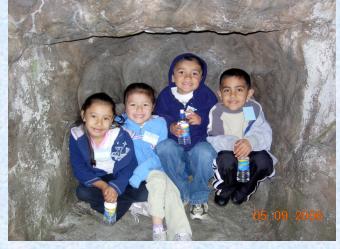
# Northwest Early Childhood Academy

#### Your Child's First Classroom



# Our Mission

To introduce and enrich children's learning through diversity, exploration, cooperative learning, play, and by providing a nurturing community.





## Our Philosophy

To provide each student a child-centered education
To strive to be experience oriented
We encourage both cooperative and individual learning
We are committed to meeting the individual needs of each student.

## Our Academic Communities

- Challengers (preschool)
  - Students 3-4 years of age
- Explorers (pre-Kindergarten)



- Students 4-5 years of age who will enter Kindergarten the following school year
- Dreamers (Kindergarten)
  - Students ages 5-6 who are state qualified for Kind





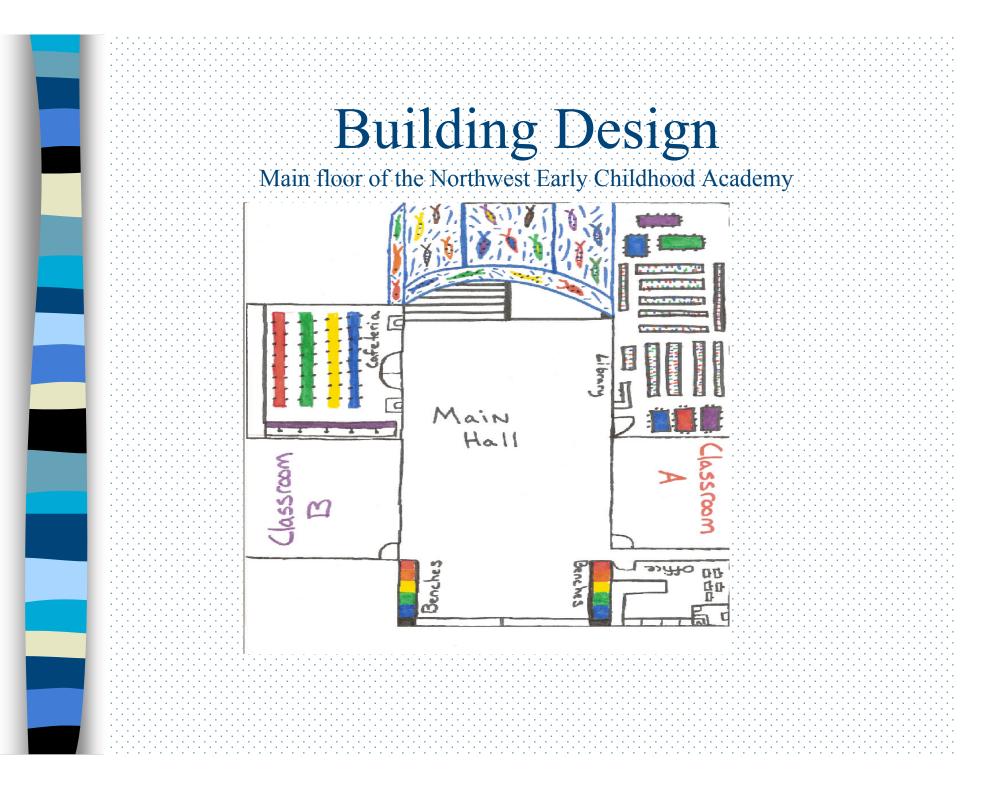
### About our Academy



We are accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)

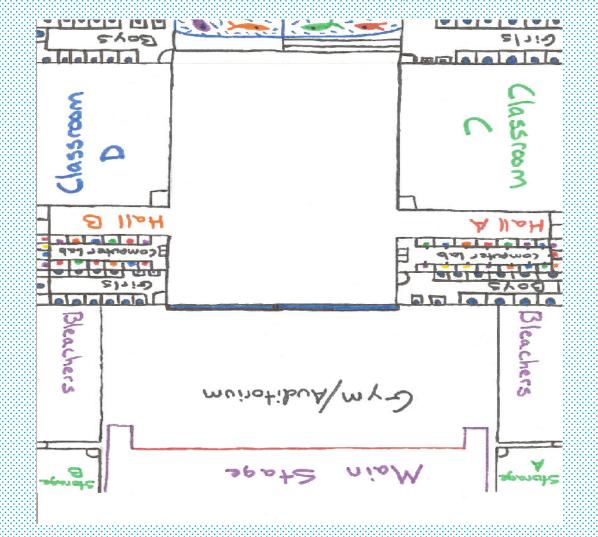
- Promote **positive relationships** for all children and adults to encourage each child's sense of individual worth.
- Implement a curriculum that fosters all areas of child development: cognitive, emotional, language, physical, and social.
- Use developmentally, culturally, and linguistically appropriate effective teaching approaches.
- Provide **ongoing assessments** of a child's learning and development and communicate the child's progress to the family.
- Promote the **nutrition and health** of children and protect children and staff from injury and illness.

- Employ a **teaching staff** that has the educational qualifications, knowledge, and professional commitment necessary to promote children's learning and development, and to support families' diverse needs and interests.
- Establish and maintain collaborative relationships with each child's **family**.
- Establish relationships with and use the resources of the community to support the achievement of program goals.
- Provide a safe and healthy physical environment.
- Implement strong personnel, fiscal, and program management policies so that all children, families, and staff have high-quality experiences. (NAEYC, 2006)

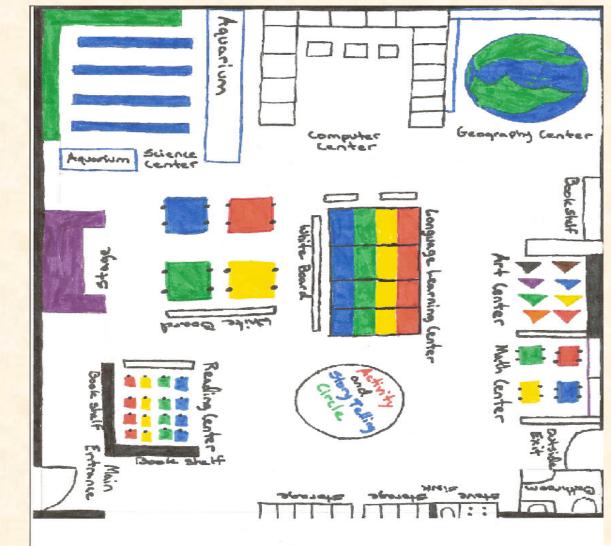


## **Building Design**

The 2nd Floor of the Northwest Early Childhood Academy



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## Our Curriculum



- Researched based curriculum focusing on whole child development
- Provide many opportunities for learning through hands on discovery
- Provide appropriate blocks of time to pursue interests
- Provide activities that represent diversity
- Views play as a fundamental building block to learning and acquiring needed experiences
- Together with the families, set measurable goals that fits the needs of individual students





#### Assessment

Through teacher/parent meetings

Student portfolios

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Developmental Continuum based on cognitive, social, physical and expressive development



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