



**History and
Accomplishments**



Kent was founded in 1983 and was one of three Infant and Toddler childcare centres set up by Toronto District School Board to provide childcare for young mothers returning to high school to finish their education. At first the centre faced opposition because it provided support for teen parents. However, the centre has been a pioneer in its support for young mothers and has been nominated for awards.



Mission Statement

At Kent Childcare Centre we believe each child deserves an opportunity to develop in a safe and nurturing environment that promotes growth and individuality. Our objective is to provide quality childcare, which, embraces the multicultural diversity of our community.



Program Philosophy

Our Aim is not to take the place of the parents as primary caregivers, but to enhance a parent's effective care giving skills by providing support, information, and guidance in many areas; nutrition, child development, health and behaviour management.



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<http://www.toronto.ca/children/dmc/webreg/gcreg1652.html>

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Serving the Community

Conveniently located near the Dufferin subway station, Kent Child Care Centre has been serving the Bloor/Dufferin community since 1983. As a non-profit organization governed by a volunteer Board of Directors, we are committed to providing a quality Childcare service that reflects the needs of our community.



We have programs available for children ages 0-6, accommodating up to 49 children in our infant, toddler and preschool rooms. Our staff include Early Childhood Educators and Assistants, the majority of whom have been working at Kent for over 15 years. In addition we exceed municipal requirements by having more Early Childhood Educators than set out in municipal guidelines,



Program Highlights

Subsidy is available to those who qualify; <http://www.toronto.ca/children/subsidy.htm> or call 416-392-KIDS (416-392-5437) for more information. In order to supply subsidy childcare for the city, Kent Child Care Centre meets strict standards and regulations set out by the City of Toronto.

Languages: English, Spanish, Mandarin, Arabic, Portuguese and Italian

We provide escorts for JK and SK students at **Brock and Pauline Schools.**

Breakfast, Lunch and PM snack are provided



Provincial Licensing

Kent Child Care Centre is licensed by the Province to provide group childcare. This means we meet regulations determined by the province, set by the Ministry of Children Services and the Day Nurseries Act.

Municipal Operating Criteria

Kent has received the highest rating set by the city. The Toronto Operating Criteria is a tool used to evaluate the City's expectations of quality. It draws on the following elements that are essential for a high quality child care program:

- ▶ Program content and development
- ▶ Health & Safety standards of the physical facility
- ▶ Training, experience and stability of caregivers
- ▶ Group size; ratio of children to caregivers
- ▶ Family involvement in the program
- ▶ Sound management practices

