

# January 2022

## PIEDMONT FAMILY YMCA CHILD CARE CENTER



HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

Our team here at the ELC are **excited** to bring in a **New Year** here at the **Early Learning Center**. The year 2021 was a **challenging** year, but we **made it** - thanks to all of you and your **health/safety dedication and support**. This month the classes will continue to dive into the **STREAMIN3 curriculum** with fun winter activities.

As the weather continues to be **chilly**, please make sure your child has **proper change of clothes** as well as coming prepared each day to spend some time **outside**.

We also like to remind everyone to **continue** to stay diligent and aware of **COVID** and any other **sickness symptoms**. We ask that if your child is showing symptoms that they do not return to the center until they have been **48 hours** symptom free.

### IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

Take home  
linens each day  
to be washed  
or replaced.

Morning drop  
off/cut off time  
is at 9:00 AM.

### IMPORTANT DATES:

January 17:

ELC will be **CLOSED**  
for the **Martin  
Luther King Day/  
Teacher Workday**



# CLASSROOM NEWS

## January BIRTHDAYS:

Brooklyn W. 1/01

Noah B. 1/06

Damien M/R. 1/21

River L. 1/22

Rashed A. 1/26

Willow S. 1/31



**For photos of the kids and other YMCA news, be sure to check our Facebook page:**

[Facebook.com/PiedmontFamilyYMCA](https://www.facebook.com/PiedmontFamilyYMCA)

### Infant 1

We hope everyone had a **wonderful holiday!** A new year means **new and more exciting** things to do. This month the infants will explore **sensory bags** with winter items and work on craft projects using their **hands and feet**. We will also work on **tummy time, crawling, rolling over, and walking**. We hope all of you have a wonderful and Happy New Year!

### Infant 2

**Welcome 2022!** As we start a new year we are so **excited to witness** our infants achieving **important milestones** and growing so healthy! This month we will continue to work on our gross motor skills; such as **walking, crawling, and sitting**. We have a lot of **fun books** and **music** planned ahead. In the Infant 2 room, we also have a lot of friends trying new foods, textures, and tastes. It is going to be a **month full of fun!**

### Toddler

We hope you all had a **wonderful Christmas** and a **great New Year!** It is so hard to believe that we are now in the **year 2022!** Boy, does **time fly** when you are having **fun** with these little ones. This month we will be working on **counting, ABCs, and lots of new sign language**. Please remember to make sure we have **weather appropriate** clothes.

### Twos

New Year means **new BEGINNINGS!** As we **continue to work** with the **STREAMin3 curriculum**, they will continue to practice their **five senses** and how to **manage** their emotions. We also have some fun activities planned; such as **playing with ice and building ramps with materials found around the classroom**. Stay tuned for more details.

### Threes

**Happy New Year!** We are so proud to teach all of your **bright children!** Thank you to the **lovely parents** for continuing to support their education along the way. Lets take a moment to **recognize and celebrate** how much growth and fun experience your children have gained in 2021. **Get ready** for an exciting 2022! In the upcoming weeks we will be working on our **dealing with our emotions, sensory play, and learning new letters** in the alphabet.

### Pre-K

Happy New year! Its so **great to see** everyone back after the holidays! This month we will be working with **painting, pretend play, making fruit dip, experimenting with seeds and community service**. Please remember to continue to dress your child(ren) **appropriately** for the **weather**; as we go outside daily.