

Service & Activities Fee Base Funding Request Form

## Early Childhood Learning Center "Where Children are Central"

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Pending Approval

### 2026-2029 Service & Activities Fee Base Funding Request Form

#### Program/Department Name

Early Childhood Learning Center "Where Children are Central"

#### Program Manager

Michelle Hill-Director

#### Do you currently receive S&A Base Funding?

Yes

#### How does the program support the University's Vision and Mission?

<https://www.cwu.edu/about/mission-vision/>

Our passion is to support and empower all children and families in our center. We continue to offer quality and affordable Early Learning care in a campus setting to student parents' children and Faculty/Staff parents' children, so the student parents can continue their Education and Faculty/Staff can teach their classes and work on campus. ECLC strives to ensure that everyone is a learner, and that learning is worth the risk. Individuality is acknowledged and respected as each child explores a child-centered environment at their own pace. We believe that parent/guardian/family involvement positively reinforces each child's family and culture.

#### How does your request support current CWU students?

We offer a service of excellent childcare to CWU student parents and without this service, the parents may not be able to finish their course of study or hold a job while enrolled at CWU. Each year we serve 90-120 student parents for childcare and 80 plus student staff/Practicum/Volunteers working in the classroom and observing. We support student parents by assisting them in pursuing their university studies without undue anxiety about their children while they are at school/and or campus job. We provide student employees with employment and educational benefits, and work experience that increases their career marketability immediately upon graduation. They will also gain teaching and learning experiences in the classroom.

#### What metrics or assessment do you have (or intend to have) to measure the success of your program?

We follow DCYF (Department of Children Youth and Families policies and procedures) and the WAC's guidelines for our two sites. All student staff are required to complete a 30-hour training to be Childcare Aides in the classrooms. All staff take 10 annual credit hours to stay current for training. We follow a theme-based learning Curriculum, which is Creative Curriculum at both sites. Creative Curriculum is built on theories of development in young children, and that all children learn through active exploration of their environment and therefore the environment plays a critical role in learning.

#### Is this program associated with enrollment in academic course or academic credit?

No

## Identify your S&A funding category?

Child Care Centers for Children of Students

## Did any organizational changes occur in your previous quadrennial in comparison to this quadrennial ask?

Yes

## If yes, please explain organizational changes

Assistant Director is vacant and now posted as "site Supervisor" and is live.

## Current Annual Report\*

## Submit Base Funding Budget Form and Organizational Chart\*

located: <https://www.cwu.edu/about/offices/services-activities/resources/index.php>  
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## Additional Documents (optional)\*

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