



Wilson Children's Center, a positive place for young families

In 1999, community concern in Deposit, NY arose over the lack of reliable child care. Representatives from several local businesses reported that their productivity suffered because employees were missing significant work time to find care for their children. The idea of a community childcare center emerged with great support from the community. With the help of the New York State Office of Children and Family Services, as well as generous contributions from local foundations and interested citizens, the Wilson's Children's Center came into being.

Wilson Children's Center offers parents a reliable daycare option

The mission of Wilson Children's Center is to provide parents with affordable, reliable childcare and early childhood education services for their children. Full-day childcare and a before/after school and summer program give parents a safe place for their children to stay while they work. One parent expresses her gratitude in writing, thanking the staff members for the work that they do at the Center.

THINGS I AM THANKFUL FOR

I am thankful for the dedicated staff at the Wilson Children's Center that takes care of my baby and gives him tender, loving care while I go to work each day.

I am thankful for the kindness and understanding of Patty, JoJo, Grandma Delores, Karen and Peg when I share my concerns and worries about diaper rashes, sniffles and snacks.

I am thankful that you are patient when I call each day to check on how his day is going, and to find out what little surprises I have missed.

I am thankful for the bright cheery infant room, the educational toys and play things that stimulate and encourage my child to reach his next milestone—to grow, develop, learn, make friends, and have fun.

I am thankful for the fact that even though wonderful people like you are often underpaid and work long hours, you come to work every day because of your love for children, and that you see your job not as "just a job", but as a commitment to caring.

I believe that what you are doing is the most important job in the world, and I am thankful that as a working mom, I have all of you to help me care for my precious little gift given by God himself to brighten up my days. Thanks.

- Nancy, aka
"Keegan's Mom"



Wilson Children's Center is much more than just a daycare center

With the help of United Way, Wilson Children's Center is able to provide a place where a child's curiosity and desire to learn is enhanced in a comfortable, safe and stimulating environment. The dedicated staff members offer more than just daycare — they are committed to helping children thrive socially, emotionally, intellectually and physically.

United Way funds go a long way

United Way and Wilson Children's Center share a common commitment in responding to the needs of the community. As a member agency of United Way, Wilson Children's Center receives funds that enable the organization to continue to assist families like Nancy and Keegan every day.

When you support United Way you are also supporting the services of Wilson Children's Center.

Wilson Children's Center is named after Stuart S. and Jeanne H. Wilson for their generous contributions. Since its inception in 1999, the Children's Center has expanded its services to provide care for 43 children in the Deposit area. Services include full-day childcare for children 6 weeks to 5 years of age, and before/after school and summer programs for children 5 to 12 years of age. **Wilson Children's Center** is located on 61 Front Street, Deposit, NY 13754. For more information call (607) 467-5437.

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