

Our Philosophy

EDUCATING, YOUNG MINDS IN A WHOLESOME CHRISTIAN ENVIRONMENT TO NURTURE EACH CHILD'S NATURAL, GOD-GIVEN TALENTS.

We believe in the value of providing affordable childcare in a Christ-centered environment for children of ages three months to five years old. Our aim is to provide a safe, warm, loving environment where children can learn and grow physically, emotionally, creatively, intellectually and socially at their own pace with respect for all individuals, cultures and faiths.

Likewise, we honor the role of the parent and offer daily opportunities for enriched and explorative learning as well as

active parent involvement. Our goal is to serve your family by partnering with you to prepare your child for success in their educational future.

Canyon Hills Childcare radiates inspiration of the sun shining on the horizon, signifying new beginnings, new opportunities, hopes, and dreams. Our cheerful and bright colors promote a bright future of freedom and growth where everyone works together to achieve a common goal.

Cornerstones & Values

- 1 **NURTURING:** We cherish each child and believe God has a purpose for each one. We strive to nourish the heart and mind to help each child understand their identity as a child of God.
- 2 **AFFORDABLE:** We offer affordable childcare in a safe, warm, loving Christ-centered environment.
- 3 **BALANCED LEARNING:** We strive to offer a well-balanced and wholesome learning experience where children are actively engaged in the learning process, with hands on learning that unveils your child's creativity.
- 4 **WELL BEING:** We encourage children to have healthy habits, minds, and bodies.
- 5 **SAFETY:** We offer a newly built facility that is safe, clean, and nurturing for your child to thrive and grow.
- 6 **COMMUNITY:** We value our relationship with your family and the community. We strive to provide a place for your whole family to spiritually grow, and experience a church community.



About Canyon Hills Friends Church

Canyon Hills Childcare is a Christian based childcare center that operates under the direction of Canyon Hills Friends Church. Pastor Larry Mendenhall, his wife Shirley Mendenhall, and their three children started Canyon Hills Friends Church in East Yorba Linda on June 3, 1990.

Since its beginning, Canyon Hills has reached beyond the city of Yorba Linda by starting five other churches.

Today, Canyon Hills is still a church family dedicated to following the model of Jesus Christ and sharing his message of love and grace both locally and globally.

“Our desire is that you will experience a friendly welcome, a place to bring your questions, a place to worship Jesus Christ, and a church that is not just a place you go, but people you love.”

- Pastor Larry

Enrollment & Tuition

Canyon Hills Childcare is a year-round program composed of professionals trained in Early Childhood Education. All of our teachers meet or exceed qualifications as required by California licensing. Our program operates 12 months a year and 5 days a week to meet all of the educational and developmental needs of your child.

Monthly Fees (effective January 2019)

PROGRAM	<i>Son Catchers</i> Infants	<i>Son Shiners</i> Toddlers	<i>Lil' Rays of Sunshine</i> 2 yr. olds	<i>Son Beamers</i> 3 yr. olds	<i>Son Blazers</i> 4 yr. olds
<i>5-Day Program</i>					
7:00 am - 6:00 pm	\$1,260	\$1,220	\$975	\$840	\$840
9:00 am - 3:00 pm	\$1,065	\$1,031	\$824	\$710	\$710
8:00 am - 12:00 pm	N/A	\$737	\$700	\$575	\$575
<i>3-Day Program</i>					
7:00 am - 6:00 pm	\$915	\$875	\$815	\$690	\$690
9:00 am - 3:00 pm	\$773	\$739	\$689	\$583	\$583
8:00 am - 12:00 pm	N/A	\$529	\$575	\$455	\$455
<i>2-Day Program</i>					
7:00 am - 6:00 pm	\$765	\$725	\$800	\$640	\$640
9:00 am - 3:00 pm	\$646	\$613	\$676	\$541	\$541
8:00 am - 12:00 pm	N/A	\$487	\$535	\$420	\$420

Extended day is defined as having access to our services on all days that we are open, Monday through Friday 7:00 am – 6:00 pm.

Full day is defined as having access to our services from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm.

Part-time is defined as having access to our services 8:00 am – 12:00 pm, or our 2/3 day programs.

10% off for additional children.

TAKE A TOUR

We're proud to be an extension of Canyon Hills Friends Church in beautiful Yorba Linda. We invite you in to come tour our facility and get to know our staff! Our tour schedules vary so be sure to call us to schedule your visit.

HOW TO APPLY

We understand the enrollment process can be a bit overwhelming, rest assured, our highly trained staff is here to answer any of your questions. We invite you to visit our website to learn more about enrollment or call us at any time to discuss the application process.



DID YOU KNOW?

“Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all.”

- Aristotle



Our Programs

At Canyon Hills Childcare we are committed to providing a positive Christ-centered environment in which children can learn, grow, and play. We use the framework of the National Association for the Education of Young Children's early childhood development, which promotes learning and development of the following areas: social, emotional, physical, language, and cognitive. Canyon Hills Childcare programs emphasize the development of the whole child through play. Our daily curriculum and activities are designed to help each child grow spiritually, socially, academically, and physically in developmentally appropriate settings.

Infant Program

Your infant is cared for in a safe, loving and clean environment by our nurturing staff. Our Infant Program is designed to promote the development of the child's cognitive and motor skills by incorporating music, movement and play in their daily activity. We have a staff ratio of no more than 4 infants to 1 teacher at any given time to provide your baby with personal attention and care. Your baby will have exposure to Language development & listening skills: through ABC's, music, conversing with caregivers, peers, and others, math skills by counting from 1-10, and art through age appropriate medias. And an exposure to God's Word to imprint God's Love in your child's heart. Our loving, experienced staff and the warm environment will make the baby's first transition away from home easy for families.

Toddler Program

Your toddler will experience a curriculum designed to stimulate physical, intellectual, and behavioral growth. We have a staff ratio of no more than 6 toddlers to 1 teacher at any given time to provide your toddler with personal attention and care. Your toddler will learn Language development and listening skills through ABC's, manners, conversing with peers and others, math skills through count 1-10, music through hearing and singing educational, classical, traditional and fun songs, and art through coloring, painting, drawing, cutting and gluing. Involves use of various media and shapes. Your toddler will have an exposure to God's word through simple Bible stories and songs that will share the message of Jesus that is woven throughout the day.

2 Yr. Old Programs

Two-year olds are terrific learners with lots of energy and an excitement to trying new things! A rapid increase in their ability to learn concepts and skills take place during this time and verbal skills are developing at a fast pace. We believe in starting an early phonics-based curriculum, which ensures a strong foundation in language skills. We also provide toilet learning to help both you and your child transition out of diapers. Your child will experience God's love through weekly Bible stories, and songs that will help your child understand God's love.

3 & 4 Yr. Old Programs

Children take pride at this age in their new accomplishments and fill them with a desire to learn more. Vocabulary, coordination, intellectual thinking and social skills are all being developed at this stage. Children will be introduced to Early Language and Literacy, Writing (tracing) skills, Math concepts, Science and Social Studies. They will read thematic books, join open ended questions, create their own stories, learn the correct way to hold a pencil and trace, sorting, sequencing and matching, recognition of their name, how to mix colors for a Science Project or learn about different countries and cultures and make crafts. They will also have time to play, sing songs and play instruments. Bible time will be an important part of the school day. Your child will learn all they can about Jesus and God's Word.



PARENTS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

Our doors are always open to parents who would like to be involved in their child's care and education. We welcome any comments or suggestions from parents about programming or the care of their children. If any parents wish to volunteer at the childcare, please contact any staff member!



Typical Infant & Toddler Schedule 0-36 Mo.

..... Son Catchers & Son Shiners

7:00am - 8:30am	Arrival / Greeting / Individual Feeding (Brought From Home)
8:30am - 9:30am	Quiet Play / (Books, Table Activities, Puzzles, Blocks Etc.)
9:30am - 10:00am	Diapering
10:00am -10:30am	Tummy Time
10:30am - 11:00am	Bottles / Snacks
11:00am - 11:30am	Diapering / Nap time
11:30am - 12:00pm	Reading Time / Bible Stories / Free Movement, Games With Blocks And Balls
12:00pm -12:30pm	Individuals Feeding
12:30pm - 1:00pm	Diapering
1:00pm - 2:00pm	Nap Time
2:00pm - 2:30pm	Bottles
2:30pm -3:00pm	Diapering
3:00pm -4:00pm	Outside Walk / Play (Weather Permitting)
4:00pm - 4:30pm	Bottles / Snack
4:30pm - 5:00pm	Diapering
5:00pm - 6:00pm	Music / Dance Time & Free Play / Get Ready To Go Home

THIS IS A GENERAL GUIDELINE OF YOUR CHILD'S DAILY ACTIVITIES, SCHEDULE MAY VARY BASED ON INFANT'S INDIVIDUAL NEEDS.



DID YOU KNOW?

You're off to Great Places!
 Today is your day! Your
 mountain is waiting,
 So... get on your way!
 - Dr. Seuss

ABOUT OUR PROGRAM

Our Infant & Toddler program includes children 0 months through 36 months. The program's schedule is dependent on the individual child. Bottles are given when infants are hungry and not specified in the daily schedule. Infants diapers are changed as needed throughout the day, as well as at scheduled times. We highly encourage parents to communicate their child's schedule to the lead infant teacher.

Diapers are changed as needed, no more than 2 hours apart. Naps are offered as needed. Infants are fed as needed.

Typical Preschool Schedule 2-5 Yr. Olds

..... Son Beamers, Lil' Rays, Son Blazers

7:00am - 8:30am	Arrival / Greeting / Breakfast (Brought From Home) / Quiet Play / (Books, Table Activities, Puzzles Etc.)
8:30am - 8:45am	Clean Up
8:45am - 9:15am	Circle time / music & movement time (pledges, songs, bible, calendar)
9:15am - 9:30am	Theme / Story Time/Group Activities
9:30am - 9:45am	Bathroom routines / hand washing
9:45am - 10:10am	Snack Time (Brought From Home)
10:10am - 10:40am	Large motor activities / outside free choice play (weather permitting)
10:40am - 10:45am	Handwashing And Bathroom Routines As Needed
10:45am - 11:15am	Basic Concepts (Art, Fine Motor (Writing), Math, Letter Of The Week, Manipulatives)
11:15am - 11:45am	Structured Play / Games
11:45am - 12:00pm	Clean-Up / Bathroom Routines/ Hand Washing (½ Day Children Pick-Up)
12:00pm - 12:30pm	Lunch (Brought From Home)
12:30pm - 12:45pm	Clean- Up / Story Time Transition To Nap
12:45pm - 2:45pm	Nap Time
2:45pm - 3:15pm	Wake Up Time / Bathroom Routines / Snack Time (From Home)
3:15pm - 4:15pm	Learning Centers / Outside Playtime
4:15pm - 4:30pm	Clean-up and Handwashing
4:30pm - 5:15pm	Puzzles / Games / Stories / Dancing / Songs / Science & Cooking
5:15pm - 6:00pm	Independent Activities / Clean-Up / Get Ready to Go Home

THIS IS A GENERAL GUIDELINE OF YOUR CHILD'S DAILY ACTIVITIES.



DID YOU KNOW?

Play is often talked about as if it were a relief from serious learning.

But for children play is serious learning. Play is really the work of childhood.

- Mr. Rogers

ABOUT OUR PROGRAM

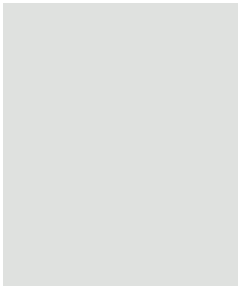
Our Preschool program introduces a more structured environment that includes both teacher-directed and child-initiated play. Children are “coached” as they develop the important life skills of communication and cooperative play. Mini Explorers also learn about God and the bible and are taught important biblical values, such as: forgiveness, respect, responsibility, honesty and integrity.

Diapers are changed as needed, no more than 2 hours apart.

Meet our Staff

He said to them, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these". Mark 10:14

We believe that every child that enters our gates is a precious gift that God has brought to us. With this commission in mind, we hope to provide quality education and care. We are passionate in providing a wholesome experience that gives your child the tools to grow into a healthy and happy leader! We care for your child with the formula for success, which is God's love. Come join us and allow us to share God's love with your child today!



Bill Hezmalhalch - Administrator

Bill Hezmalhalch was raised in Fullerton, CA and graduated from Cal Poly Pomona with a bachelor's degree in Architecture. Bill and his wife Sue, have attended Canyon Hills since it first opened in 1990. Together, they have four children and six grandchildren. Over the years Bill has served in many ministries at Canyon Hills including the elder board, teaching Sunday school, hosting a Bible Study, and serving on several mission trips including Juarez, Mexico, and the Philippines. Bill is passionate about mentoring today's youth on discovering their spiritual gifts and path through Jesus Christ.



Shar Rice - Director

Shar grew up in Orange County, and graduated from Fullerton College with a degree in Liberal Arts. After working in the local school district for 13 years, in 2009 she made the choice to dive into learning much more about very early childhood education, and returned to school earning 36 units in Early Childhood Education, and she began her career as a preschool teacher. In 2013 she earned her Director's and Administration Certificate. In July 2018, she joined in the early planning stages of Canyon Hills Childcare. She is excited to lead this new Ministry as the Director of the center. Together with a team of amazing and creative teachers, she is committed to providing your family with a loving and developmentally sound foundation for a lifetime of learning.



Sheri Ver Berg - Equipping Pastor, Children's Ministry

Sheri was raised in Corona, California and was an original member of the Canyon Hills team (being Pastor Larry's daughter). She graduated from Azusa Pacific University with a BA in Christian Ministry and that is where she developed her passion for equipping families to live for Christ. Sheri, her husband, BJ, and their sons, Bruce and Wade, love to be outdoors; sand rails, water sports, and playing in their backyard.

Welcome to Canyon Hills Childcare

All teachers at Canyon Hills Childcare are CPR certified, fully qualified and trained in the field of Early Childhood Education, and our staff is selected based on their nurturing personalities and dedication to teaching. They meet and exceed, all state requirements, including background checks and clearance.