



EarlyON | Oak Creek

80 Tartan Avenue, Kitchener
May 2023

Drop-In, Stay, Play and Explore with us!

We are funded by the [Ministry of Education](#) and offer free drop-in learning environments and experiences for children birth to age 6 and their parents and caring adults. Our Drop-In environment is open any time our centre is open. We provide a variety of developmentally appropriate, fun, and interactive learning opportunities for you and your child to discover together with other families. Have a question? Looking for a resource? Our EarlyON professionals are onsite to support you. Additional programs are outlined in the calendar below. Drop In today!

EarlyON | Oak Creek is co-located with the Huron Community Centre in Oak Creek Public School. This site is operated by the YMCA of Three Rivers. Our team can be reached by calling 519-741-8585 x 3001. The [Region of Waterloo](#) is the Consolidated Municipal Service Manager for EarlyON Child and Family Centres in Waterloo Region.

Planned Closures: Saturday, May 20th - Monday, May 22nd & Thursday, May 25th at 4:00 pm

Unplanned Closures: Will be posted on our social media accounts (@EarlyONWR)

Monday 9:30-4:30pm	Tuesday 9:30-4:30pm	Wednesday 9:30-4:30pm	Thursday 9:30-4:30pm	Friday 9:30-12:00pm	Saturday 9:00-12:00pm	
	10:30-11:00 Music and Movement (0-6 years)	10:30-11:30 Baby Connections® May 10 – May 31 (6-12 months)	10:30-11:30 S.T.E.A.M. for Preschoolers (2-6 years)	10:30-11:00 Ready Set Move (0-6 years)	Reopening Saturdays starting April 22!	
2:30-3:30 Starting School May 1 – May 29 (Eligible to start kindergarten Sept 2023)	1:30 – 2:30 Infant Massage® Apr 18 – May 23 (0-12 months)	2:00-2:30 Music and Movement (0-6 years)	1:00-1:30 Baby and Me (0-12 months)			
	1:30 – 2:30 Infant Massage® May 30 – July 4 (0-12 months)	2:00-3:30 Sleep and Your New Baby® May 31 st (0-12 weeks)				
Explore	Innovate	Play	Investigate	Connect	Learn	Discover

- All adults attending EarlyON are required to have a [KEyON account](#). For support with KEyON, visit our [EarlyON Experience](#) page, watch or "[How to Use KEyON](#)" video series, email earlyyearsinfo@ytr.ymca.ca or call 519-741-8585 x 3001.
- Programs marked with ® require pre-registration at www.KEyON.ca. For more information or to register for programs offered by Breastfeeding Buddies, visit their website.
- Please check our Facebook (@EarlyONWR) and twitter accounts (@EarlyONWR) for unplanned closures.

Connections and Referrals

Parenting and caring for children and youth is not always easy. Often parents and caregivers have many questions and trying to find the right person or community agency to talk to can sometimes be overwhelming. Our EarlyON professionals and onsite community partners can support you with the information or referral resources you are looking for. Ask an EarlyON professional for more information, visit [our website](#) for local resources or meet with one of our onsite community partners.

Community Partner	Dates and Times
Dental Screening Region of Waterloo Public Health Book your appointment here.	Monday, May 29 th – appointments between 9:30am-2:30pm Each child requires their own appointment. The child's parent/legal guardian must attend the appointment.
Waterloo Region Family Network Family Resource Coach No pre-registration required.	Tuesday, May 2 nd 10:00-11:00am
Monarch House Screening Clinic 30 minute Early Identification Screening Book your appointment here.	Tuesday, May 2 nd – appointments between 9:30am – 12:00pm Each child requires their own appointment. The child's parent/legal guardian must attend the appointment.
University of Waterloo School of Optometry Eye Exams for Children 6 months to 6 years of Age Book your appointment here.	Thursday, May 18 th – appointments between 9:30am – 2:30pm Each child requires their own appointment. The child's parent/legal guardian must attend the appointment.
Zero2Six Consultation Camino Wellbeing + Mental Health Book your appointment here.	Friday, May 19 th – appointments between 9:30am - 11:00am Each child requires their own appointment. The child's parent/legal guardian must attend the appointment.

For registration support, or questions about On-Site Services offered, contact our EarlyON Admin Team 519-741-8585 x 3001 or via email at earlyyearsinfo@ytr.ymca.ca

Planning your Visit to EarlyON

We encourage all families to read our [EarlyON Experience page](#) to help plan for each visit. A [virtual tour](#) of EarlyON | Oak Creek is available on our [Locations Near Me](#) page. If you do not have access to internet, please call our EarlyON Admin team at 519-741-8585 x 3001 and they will help to answer your questions about what to expect before your visit. For information on the programs and services offered at other EarlyON location;, ask an EarlyON professional; visit [KEYON](#) or visit our [website](#).

Parent Permission to Attend

If your child will be attending an EarlyON without their parent or legal guardian, please ensure that you complete a [Parent Attestation form](#). If the parent/legal guardian does not complete the Parent Attestation prior to the child's visit, the child will not be able to attend the program that day. For more information, please call us at 519-741-8585 x 3001 or email us at earlyyearsinfo@ytr.ymca.ca

Health and Wellness

Your family is welcome to bring a meal or snack and eat together in our snack area. Please notify our team at the beginning of each visit if you or your child has severe allergies. We try to minimize illness by practicing good hygiene and disinfecting toys regularly. We follow Public Health guidelines and ask that you remain home if you or your child are ill. We ask that you return only after you have had symptoms improving for 24-hours, or in the case of diarrhea or vomiting, 48-hours symptom-free. If you exhibit symptoms within the EarlyON, you will be asked to end your visit early.

Social Media @EarlyONWR

We would love to connect with you and your family on social media! If you take a picture of your family enjoying our sites, please share the picture with us on-line. Please follow us online for updates and community information. You can also [sign up for our newsletter](#) to receive monthly updates directly to your inbox.