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## EarlyON in Stratford

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**EarlyON at SERC**  
220 Oakdale Ave, Stratford

**EarlyON at Anne Hathaway Public School**  
77 Bruce Street, Stratford

**EarlyON at 200 Britannia**  
200 Britannia St, Stratford

**EarlyON at Stratford YMCA**  
204 Downie St, Stratford  
Main entrance off of the YMCA parking lot

**Planned closures:** Friday, May 2 and Monday, May 19 | **Unplanned closures:** Will be posted on our social media accounts

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
EarlyON at SERC	EarlyON at Stratford YMCA	EarlyON at Anne Hathaway Public School	EarlyON at Stratford YMCA	EarlyON at Stratford YMCA	EarlyON at Stratford YMCA
 <b>BABY CONNECTIONS®</b> <b>AM</b> 10:00-11:00 6-12 months May 26, Jun 2, 9 & 16	 <b>PLAY &amp; LEARN</b> <b>AM</b> 10:00-11:30 0-6 years	 <b>PLAY &amp; LEARN</b> <b>AM</b> 10:00am-12:00pm 0-6 years	 <b>RUN, JUMP, CLIMB</b> <b>AM</b> 9:30-11:30 0-6 years	 <b>EXPLORE WITH US</b> <b>AM</b> 9:30-11:30 2-6 years younger siblings welcome no program May 2	 <b>RUN, JUMP, CLIMB</b> <b>AM</b> 10:00-11:30 0-6 years offered on May 24
 <b>BABY TIME</b> <b>PM</b> 1:00-3:00 0-18 months no program May 19	 <b>RUN, JUMP, CLIMB</b> <b>PM</b> 2:30-4:00 0-6 years	EarlyON at 200 Britannia	EarlyON at SERC	 <b>PLAY &amp; SWIM</b> <b>PM</b> 2:30-3:15 & 3:15-4:00 0-6 years offered on May 23 Register for a time at <a href="http://www.KEyON.ca">www.KEyON.ca</a>	
		 <b>PARENTS &amp; CAREGIVERS IN CONVERSATION</b> <b>PM</b> 1:30-2:30 May 28 Register at <a href="http://www.KEyON.ca">www.KEyON.ca</a>	 <b>BABY TIME</b> <b>PM</b> 1:30-3:00 0-18 months		
		EarlyON at SERC			
	 <b>RUN, JUMP, CLIMB</b> <b>PM</b> 5:00-6:30 0-6 years offered on May 13	 <b>INFANT MASSAGE®</b> <b>PM</b> 2:00-3:00 0-12 months May 14-Jun 18 Register at <a href="http://www.KEyON.ca">www.KEyON.ca</a>			

Each adult entering EarlyON will be asked to have their own KEyON account or to create their own KEyON account onsite. To create your KEyON account visit [www.KEyON.ca](http://www.KEyON.ca). For support with your KEyON account please contact us by phone at 519-741-8585 x3001 or email [earlyyearsinfo@ytr.ymca.ca](mailto:earlyyearsinfo@ytr.ymca.ca)

### Need Help Finding the EarlyON Location?

Visit our Locations Page for a map of parking and how to access EarlyON at SERC and EarlyON at Anne Hathaway School.

Please reach us at [earlyyearsinfo@ytr.ymca.ca](mailto:earlyyearsinfo@ytr.ymca.ca) or 519-741-8585 ext. 3001 for support.



# EarlyON in Stratford Program Guide

Funded by the Ministry of Education, we offer various free, fun, and developmentally appropriate drop-in learning environments and experiences for children from birth to age 6, and their parents and caring adults. All adults entering EarlyON Child and Family Centre locations who are not known to the EarlyON professional at the point of entry will be asked to provide government issue photo identification in order to attend EarlyON. All participants will also continue to be required to sign into KEyON.



## PLAY & LEARN (0-6 years)

How Does Learning Happen? Through Play! Join other children, caring adults and families in play and exploration together! EarlyON Educators are available to provide support and information around early learning topics, community resources, programs and referrals in our play based environment.



## RUN, JUMP, CLIMB (0-6 years)

A variety of gross motor activities and play toys and equipment will be available for you and your little ones to get active and have fun indoors. This program is offered in the gym at the Stratford YMCA.



## EXPLORE WITH US (2-6 years - younger siblings welcome)

Join other children and families with preschoolers as we explore literacy, numeracy, and science-based activities! Together, we will be creative, problem solve investigate, and gain a stronger understanding of our world through play. Younger siblings are welcome to attend. Pre-registration is not required for Explore with Us.



## BABY CONNECTIONS (6-12 months)

The Baby Connections program helps families develop their babies' literacy and language skills, and provides each family with a take-home kit of resources. The program has been specifically designed for parents/caring adults and young babies, 6-12 months of age. Join us to gain confidence in playing with and promoting literacy and learning with your baby and receive a free Baby Connections Resource Kit. **Registration closes at 9:00am, one business day before the series starts.**



## INFANT MASSAGE (0-12 months)

Building a strong attachment with your infant is one of the building blocks to social development. This program is a great way to build this attachment while learning techniques for stimulating, relaxing, and providing relief for your infant. The adult attending and participating in infant massage must be the child's parent or legal guardian. **Please turn KEyON email notifications "on" when registering for Infant Massage. An email will be sent to you that includes information you need to know about Infant Massage prior to attending. Registration closes at 9:00am, 2 business days before the series starts for both in-person and online programs.**



## BABY TIME (0-18 months)

A time for parents/caregivers to find support & encouragement from their peers and EarlyON Educators in a safe and welcoming environment. For the first 30 minutes, this program will feature an engaging circle, giving infant and adult the time to delight together and find creative ways to use songs and puppets alongside developmental milestones! Families are then encouraged to play and participate in informal conversation with EarlyON Educators and other families. We welcome your family to Drop In anytime that works for you during this program.



## PLAY & SWIM (0-6 years)

The YMCA of Three Rivers and EarlyON in Stratford are excited to invite you to join us for a swim in the shallow end of the YMCA pool and some fun, facilitated activities with your child. Visit our [Program Descriptions](#) page for full details. **Each individual who is entering the pool needs to be registered. Registration capacity is limited. Please register for one timeslot only.**



## PARENTS & CAREGIVERS IN CONVERSATION (0-6 years)

Join us with your littles for playtime and learning! On April 30th we welcome Huron Perth Public Health to discuss how we can support our children's growth and development! **Registration is required. TOPICS OF CONVERSATIONS:**

- Tips to support their growth and development
- Strategies for behaviour management
- Free services available to support and educate parents

# EarlyON in Stratford On-Site Services

Do you have questions about your child's development? Are you looking for local resources or evidence-based information? Do you want to talk about parenting strategies? Book a conversation with an EarlyON professional. Appointments will be held at EarlyON at SERC on Wednesday mornings at the time listed in the chart above or via telephone, Zoom, or Microsoft Teams. If the above time doesn't work for you or to learn more about our onsite services, please visit our On-Site Services Page at <https://bit.ly/3XPxLIw> for more information and options.



**The City of Stratford's  
Children's Resource Consultant**  
May 8 (9:30am-11:30am)

**For questions or support please call: 519-741-8585 x3001 or email: [earlyyearsinfo@ytr.ymca.ca](mailto:earlyyearsinfo@ytr.ymca.ca)**