



Here to build a primary bridge between home and school.

MEET THE OWNER

Ms. London Fitzgerald



I am London Fitzgerald the owner and founder of London Bridges CDC. I am a mother of 4 beautiful kids who is licensed, insured, and infant/toddler CPR trained in Pittsburgh, PA. I received my credential Child Development Associate from the Council of Recognition which is the most widely recognized credential in early childhood education. I used this credential as a steppingstone in my career advancement in Early Childhood Education not only to keep the children I serve safe, but to provide parents with a peace of mind. I established this business because as a single mother I struggled with finding quality childcare for my children while I worked full time as a certified medical assistant. Six years ago I had an idea to open up a child care facility to accommodate the needs I was looking for. However, I planned to open a home daycare, which did not succeed due to certain home regulations. Even though I got discouraged, I strived for better ways to make my dream of being a childcare provider come true. I am a firm believer of when God speaks, mountains move, and today I introduce you to London Bridges Child Development Center LLC the space I created for your little ones!



Family Testimonials

"When dropping off my son in the mornings, myself or husband always walk into structured morning activities that include the teachers speaking about the children's night, while eating a nutritional breakfast...I LOVE TO SEE THE POSITIVE INTERACTIONS and HEALTHY MEALS!

Bria P.

"I am impressed by how well the teachers know the students in such a short time. Even the teachers that do not teach my twins know them well and know them beyond just recalling their names. It is a very supportive climate..."

Steve

"The staff and owner love on and care for my daughter 2yrs, and 9yrs as if they were their own. They made my children feel comfortable when starting and developed a sense of trust between all 3 of us. I highly recommend this center to any parent looking for a family-like center. We love the staff and school.

Deaina S.

About Us!

Mission

Our mission is to assure parents and guardians their children will be in a safe, clean, healthy, and exciting environment.

Vision

Our vision for London Bridges CDC is to help parents feel good about their childcare choice. We want to give parents assurance their child is safe, engaged, educated, and smiling. We want to play, learn, and grow with your children!

Philosophy

We at London Bridges CDC believe that our program and services provide a unique, play-based, child centered curriculum for infant, toddlers, and school age children. We provide the integration of physical, spiritual, cognitive, social, emotional, language, and self-help to support your child's overall development. We recognize parents are their child's first teacher.

Here we believe children learn best when parents are involved in their educational program. So, we encourage parent participation each month for different activities going on in the center/field trip chaperones. We are here to build a primary bridge between home and school, with the involvement of family and community. London Bridges believes if you "train up a child in the way he should go; when he is old, he will never depart from it" Proverbs 22:6.

CORE VALUES

Commitment

Willingness to stick to your own passion/principles

Diversity

To show what it looks like to give equal opportunities

Integrity

Knowing and doing what is right

Partnership

Building with parents and families

Respect

Treating people as they should be treated



Our Program Here Is Awesome!

Our Program

Not only are we BIG on education, safety, health requirements, and nutritious meals, we have a great classroom setup and great staff to actively play with your children. We offer a clean, loving, fun, and safe environment for kids while they are away from home. We offer great hours 6:30am-10:00pm Monday-Thursday and 6:30am-6:00pm Fridays. Affordable payment terms for parents Provide nutritional meals for breakfast, lunch, and a PM snack. Electronic payments, contact-less check-in/check/out from downloadable app on parents' smart phones. Provide weekly themed lessons that are educational, spiritual, and fun to children that includes yoga, music and movement, infant sign language, and basic Spanish lessons.

We implement a no contact center during the COVID-19 pandemic. Staff and children attending will only be allowed in the building until further notice. We require masks to be worn over mouth and nose for children 3 years of age and older. We have a wellness station at our doors to provide temperature checks for staff and children attending. COVID health screening questions will be asked daily and recorded at drop off times. Our teachers operate on a weekly theme to explore in the classroom in various ways. We believe teaching by theme keeps children focused, and helps them make connections to transfer knowledge, and apply it in meaningful ways.



Programs	2-day program	3-day program	4-day program	5-day program
Preschool	✓	✓	✓	✓
Pre-K	✓	✓	✓	✓

We Offer:

- Computer Lab for After School Program
- Weekly Fun and real-life Theme Learning Activities and areas inside the classroom
- Infant Sign Language/Spanish/Yoga/Music & Movement Activities
- Age-Appropriate toys/materials for infants/toddlers/school age children
- Toilet Training
- Behavior and Guidance
- 30-minute Screen Time Limit
- Equal Opportunity Care Provider



2022-2023 Weekly Academic School Year Themes

March

17 St. Patrick's Day Celebration!

Themes

- All About Me
- The Human Body (Organs and Bones)
- St. Patrick's Day
- The Human Body (Muscles, Skin, & Characteristics)

April

08 National Zoo Lovers Day

14 Easter Celebration

17 Easter Sunday

22 Earth Week

(Management Start Outside Garden With Fruits And Vegetables)

Themes

- Welcome To The Jungle
- Easter
- Taking Care of the Earth
- Flowers

May

06 Muffins for Moms AM Drop Off

08 Mother's Day

20 National Bee Day

30 Memorial Day

Themes

- Mother's Day/ Signs of Spring
- Bugs & Insects
- Buzzing Bee's
- Plants & Trees

June

1 National Dinosaur Day

10 Juneteenth African American Enslaves Independence Day!

16 Celebration

22 Juneteenth Observed

Themes

- Dinosaurs
- Juneteenth
- Outer Space Intro
- Outer Space Week 2

July

01 Independence Day Celebration

04 Independence Day

15 Ice Cream Social

17 Ice Cream Day

Themes

- Weather
- Birds Intro
- Birds Week 2

August

Themes

- Grocery Store
- Pets
- Manners
- Textures

2022-2023 Weekly Academic School Year Themes

September

05 Labor Day
12 Grand Parents Day

Themes

- Grand Parents Day :I Love You A Latte" (theme) Coffee, Tea, & Doughnuts
- Nutrition
- Pond Life
- Famous Artist Intro (Picasso, Leonardo, Alma Thomas)
- Famous Artist Week 2 (Monet, Malevich, Van Goh)

December

23 Winter Holiday Celebration
25 Christmas Day
26 Kwanza (ends on January 1, 2023)

Themes

- Ice
- Snow & Ice
- Community Helpers
- Bear & Hibernation (Rotate every other year with community helper theme)
- Winter Holidays Around The World Week

October

31 Jack-O-Lantern Jubilee
Halloween

Themes

- Harvest (Vegetables/Fruits)
- Pumpkins
- Life on The Farm
- Pranks & Pumpkins (Halloween Theme)

January

13 Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday Celebration
16 MLK JR. Day
25 National Opposites Day

Themes

- Extreme Winter Sports
- Artic Animal
- Restaurants
- Opposites

November

15-19 National Nursery Rhyme
23 Week
24 Friendsgiving Celebration
Thanksgiving Thursday

Themes

- Five Senses
- Transportation Lets Go!
- Fall
- Turkeys & Thanksgiving
- Nursery Rhymes (Change out Every other year with Fall Theme)

February

02 Ground Hog Day
14 Valentines Day
Hearty Party Celebration
28 Start of Dr. Seuss Week
(Birthday Celebration on March 02, 2022)

Themes

- Fables & Fairy Tales
- Love & Friendship
- Black History

Black
History
Month



PARENT'S RESPONSIBILITIES

- 🧱 Make sure your child is signed in and out
- 🧱 Child enrollment forms are filled out completely and UPDATED
- 🧱 A mask is worn over nose and mouth for all adults/children when dropping off/picking up
- 🧱 Bring a change of clothes (shirt, pants, underwear, and socks)
- 🧱 Bring enough diapers/pull-ups/wipes to keep for each week
- 🧱 Bring formula/snacks for infants
- 🧱 Keep track of weather and any momentary interruptions of our regular operation hours via Channel 4 WTAE, and our Parent app HiMama
- 🧱 Keep an open line of communication
- 🧱 ALWAYS BE RESPECTFUL!



13 REASONS TO CHOOSE US



- 🧱 The best place for kids to explore and discover
- 🧱 We allow a one hour scheduled playdate onsite, 2 weeks prior to the child's start date.
- 🧱 Traditional and Non-Traditional Hours (extended Hours M-Th)
- 🧱 Service Infants 6weeks-13years of age
- 🧱 Before and After School Care
- 🧱 Loving, Caring, Qualified Staff
- 🧱 Spacious learning areas
- 🧱 Nutritional Meals/Snacks
- 🧱 Real Time updates through electronic parent app
- 🧱 Safe Learning Materials
- 🧱 Accept Subsidy Payments
- 🧱 Licensed with Department of Health and Human Services of PA
- 🧱 Secured access
- 🧱 Field Trips

STAFF RECRUITMENT

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APPLY TODAY!



JOB OPENINGS

- Qualified Assistant and Lead Teachers
- Student Teachers
- Volunteers
- Summer Employment

Benefits

- PTO
- Sick Pay
- Perks & Bonuses
- Meal Breaks
- Free Meals (Staff Achievement Awards)
- Pay Raise
- Tuition Reimbursement/ Discounted Rates
- Employee Meal Benefit (In house)

SEND YOUR RESUME AT

londonbridgescdc@yahoo.com

REQUIREMENTS

- Early Childhood Experience in a childcare setting
- Able to demonstrate and implement hands on curriculum or willing to be trained
- Commitment to high quality childcare education
- Friendly
- Flexible, Team Player
- Excellent Communication Skills
- Strong Leadership Skills
- Ability to adapt to high paced environment
- Knowledge and understanding of licensing requirements or willing to be trained
- Willing to be trained in Infant/Child CPR
- Have reliable transportation
- Be able to pass a background check (fees paid by company)

Summer Program

ENJOY 11 WEEKS OF THEMED ACTIVITIES
MAY 23 - JUNE 10, 2022

\$25 registration fee per child, \$50 total fee for siblings no matter the number

Summer Camp Hours

Monday - Friday
7:00 AM TO 5:00 PM

Benefits



Fun Activities

- Games
- Field Trips
- Water Play
- Movies
- Arts & Crafts
- Inflatable Jumpers
- Movies
- Nutritional Food & Snacks



Lifetime Friendships

- Peer-to-peer Interaction
- Form Bonds thru Play
- Learn Teamwork
- Further Social Development



New Skills

- Develop Coordination
- Build Self-Confidence
- Discover Themselves!
- Foster Independence

Themes

Engineering
Physics
Math
Astronomy
Ecology
Geology
Vocabulary
Literacy



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Illness, Health & Safety

The following criteria will be considered in determining if your child must go home:

- a fever of 100 degrees or more
- inflammation of the eyes (excessive redness, glassy or discharge)
- vomiting
- more than one incidence of diarrhea or loose stool which is not contained within clothing
- communicable disease as defined by the Department of Health Services/Center for Disease Control
- unknown rash
- excessive nasal discharge
- pain

If your child is sent home due to illness, he cannot return to preschool until he has been free from symptoms for 24 hours without the use of a fever reducer. This is to allow your child time to recover and stop the spread of illness to the other children and staff. After your child has been ill, it is important to adhere to the following guidelines when determining whether or not your child is ready to return to school.

- Mood, appetite, behavior, and activity are again normal
- No fever for 24 hours without a fever reducer
- Antibiotics (have been used for a full 24 hours)
- Vomiting cleared for 24 hours
- diarrhea cleared for 24 hours
- Frequent coughing, excessive nasal discharge resolved
- Pain resolved

Safety

Our staff are thoroughly trained on our Releasing of Children Policy. Parents, guardians can rest knowing we only release children to his or her parents/guardians or the person listed on the child's information card. The only time we will release a child to someone else is if you authorize by mouth over the phone or in person. If this happens we ask that you prepare the person picking up to supply a valid picture ID upon pick-up.

Open Door Policy

Parents, please feel free to stop in as often as you please throughout the day to visit your child(ren). When doing so please be mindful that doing so can be disruptive to other children in our care. Having this policy allows parents to see their child interacting with other children and view they have settled in, be able to see how their child(ren) learn through play, as well as work closely with staff to build up a strong partnership.



It is your responsibility to notify the school if your child has a communicable disease or infestation such as: measles, mumps, chicken pox, or head lice. A child may be readmitted without a statement from a physician only if the child has been absent for a period of time equal to the longest incubation period of the disease as specified by the Department of Health and Social Services. The local Health Department will immediately be notified of all communicable diseases and a note will be posted in the parent information center when there has been exposure to a communicable illness in the center. Children returned to the center with signs of illness or communicable disease will be refused entry into the preschool.

COVID-19 PLAN AND POLICY

London Bridges Child Development Center LLC will be adhering to all Pennsylvania's CDC Health and Safety requirements for COVID-19. We will have the following measures in place:

- We will be avoiding any toys or equipment that is made from material that cannot be disinfected
- We will be increasing the frequency of cleaning and disinfecting of objects, toys, and frequently touched areas in our center
- All our water and sensory tables will be closed until further notice
- We will be using low-level hospital grade disinfectants
- All high touch surfaces (light switches, shelving, containers, handrails, doorknobs, sinks, and toilet) will be cleaned at least twice per day or as often as needed (ex: when visibly dirty or contaminated with bodily fluid)
- Areas that have shared items such as phones, i-pads, attendance binder, pens, computer keyboards, mice will be disinfected between users
- Preparing proper hand washing hygiene (including assisting children with hand hygiene)
- We are incorporating additional hand hygiene opportunities into our daily schedule
- Cots and cribs will be disinfected after each use
- Cots and cribs will need to be laundered with fitted sheet
- Cots will be distanced away from each other or if in a tight space children will be placed head to toe

Physical spacing will be encouraged between children by:

Spreading children out into different areas

Staggering outdoor playtime

We will be incorporating more individual activities in our lesson plan or more activities that allow children to be spaced out

- **All outdoor equipment used will be disinfected before each group uses it, and additionally as required (if visibly dirty)**
- **All pick-up and drop-off of children will happen outside the childcare setting unless there is a need for the parent/guardian to enter the center**



All in-person tours and meetings are suspended until further notice due to COVID-19

- Staff will refrain from getting close to the faces of all children enrolled
- All individuals will be screened upon arrival including children, parents, guardians, and staff
- Any person screened including the child of the parent/guardian have any of the outlined symptoms will be denied entry to our childcare center
- Children who are ill in any way will not be permitted in our center
- All children will be monitored daily for atypical symptoms and signs of COVID-19
- Staff screeners are to maintain a 6ft distance from those being screened, and permitted to wear protective PPE gear such as mask and face shield, and gloves
- It is our duty as a local business in Pittsburgh to report any COVID-19 cases reported or suspected
- If our center experiences a case of COVID-19 will report it within 24 hours as a serious occurrence. Parents/guardian will be notified via our parent app HIMAMA, in-person at pick-up, and letter will be emailed, and posted in our main entrance way
- All rooms contaminated will be closed and equipment will be disinfected by professional cleaners
- We do not require masks for staff that are outdoors and able to distance at 6ft
- We do not require masks for staff that work alone such as supervisor in office/kitchen staff in kitchen

Attendance Records During COVID-19

- London Bridges Child Development Center LLC will maintain daily attendance records of all visitors who enter our building space. This includes but not limited to staff, enrolled children, children, maintenance workers, cleaning and environmental staff, food service workers, government agency employees (public health inspectors, program advisors, fire inspectors).
- Our attendance records will include name, company, contact info, date, time of arrival/departure, reason for visit, areas visited, screening results
- Our supervisor/designee will monitor and follow-up with all individuals to determine the reason for any unplanned absences and if the absence is due to illness, we will record those symptoms that are reported
- We will not allow non-essential visitors in our center until further notice
- Our attendance records will always be available onsite and kept for 12 months

STAFFING

- London Bridges Child Development Center LLC will provide proficient staff to ensure that multiple staff are assigned to one room consistently over the course of the day, and only work in one cohort.
- Our supervisors will try our very best to arrange staffing assignments to limit cohorts from mixing throughout the day and over the course of the program.
- Our supervisor will stagger/alternate scheduling for the following:
- Shared washrooms facility (groups will be assigned a time that only one cohort will be assessing wash room at one time)
- Drop-off/pick-up times and location will vary to prevent parents/guardians from gathering and grouping together
- Outdoor play/play spaces
- In any event where we would need to have 2 different cohorts in one area a divider will be used to create 2 distinct spaces without mixing
- We have staggered staff lunches to ensure no more than 3 staff are in the sitting area at one time
- This policy will be reviewed with all staff, children, parents, and guardians annually, a signature will be needed from staff and parents/guardians to demonstrate they have read and understood the policy.



WHO DO WE SERVE?

Infant (6 weeks to 12 months old)

In the infant classroom, we follow a wonderful daily flow. No matter what your baby's individual sleeping and eating schedule is, we always come together to make wonderful memories. We enjoy story time together, outside walks, learning circle, sensory exploration, and creative art. We also enjoy our days learning lots of songs, reading wonderful stories and interacting with our friends and teachers. We love discovering different textures, size of items, and shapes. We love learning about our weekly themes like shapes, colors, animals, and people. Our little ones are always nurtured, cuddled, loved, and adored and whenever they need something, we are there!

TODDLERS/LITTLE WOBBLERS – 13 months to 24 months old

In the toddler classroom, we explore anything and everything we possibly can. Our little one's love wondering around the classroom learning through their senses. Our toddlers have a wonderful daily schedule of group time, outdoor play, meals and snacks, naptime and the most important and fun time of the day, PLAYTIME! During our group time we read books about transportation, family, and kindness. We talk about our day, how we feel and what it means to be together in our bright and warm classroom. We enjoy our outdoor playtime and seeing the beautiful nature outside. Our weekly themes consist of exploring our homes, families, pets, and animals. Singing and playing our days away is what makes our room so special!

PRESCHOOL/ LITTLE EXPLORERS AND PRE-K (3-4 years old and prepares the students for kindergarten

In this age group we focus on our social emotional growth and explore who we are as beautiful, unique individuals. We learn how to work together and how to conquer objectives by ourselves. We enjoy writing our names, learning to read, and exploring phonics. We enjoy extreme science projects that make us say "WOW!" and we dive into our sensory bin which helps enhance the learning theme we are studying that week. We often have guest speakers and love exploring the community to supplement our learning. We get outside often to move our bodies and strengthen our fine and gross motor muscles. This age group helps to prepare our students for the next grade which is Kindergarten. Our little ones are well on their way to a successful journey into the older ages!

School age/Incredibles (5yrs-13yrs)

This age group will be fed a nutritional breakfast and snack daily. Our staff will provide safe care at the bus stop for children attending surrounding schools. We will help children with their homework while at the center. Our staff will support children's social, emotional, cognitive, and academic development. Our goal is to reduce risky behaviors, while promoting physical health, a

Tuition Costs

*X=# of Days

INFANT

Part-Time (3X)	\$132.60
Full-Time (5X)	\$221.00
Drop-in (1X)	\$44.20

TODDLER/WOBBLERS

Part-Time (3X)	\$132.60
Full-Time (5X)	\$221.00
Drop-in (1X)	\$44.20

PRESCHOOL/LITTLE EXPLORER

Part-Time (3X)	\$132.60
Full-Time (5X)	\$221.00
Drop-in (1X)	\$44.20

SCHOOL AGE/INCREDIBLES

Part-Time (3X)	\$117.60
Full-Time (5X)	\$196.00
Drop-in (1X)	\$44.20

