

Daily Routine #2

General Toddler Winter Schedule, Sheridan High/Scope Teacher Education Centre, Oakville, Ontario, Canada

Notes: The teaching college serves as an observation and training site for education and early childhood majors, while providing care for the children of the college's staff, faculty, and students.

"Senior" children in Canada are the equivalent of kindergarten children in the United States. A senior program is offered to parents throughout Canada, but attendance is not mandatory. First grade is mandatory.

Number of children: 46 (10 toddlers, 16 preschoolers and 20 senior, or kindergarten, children)

Ages of children: 18 months-6 years

Number of staff: 6 classroom teachers, 1 supervisor, 1 cook

Arrival/departure: staggered

7:30-8:00 a.m. Group time

All the children are combined in the senior playground.

8:00-9:00 a.m. Choice time/diapers/washroom

At this time all the toddlers who are present move to their classroom and go directly into choice time.

9:00-9:15 a.m. Snack

9:15-10:15 a.m. Dress for outside play and proceed to outside time

10:15-10:30 a.m. Inside/undressing

10:30-11:30 a.m. Choice time

Washroom/diapers

Children in this group are 18 months to 2½ years, so the range of cognitive and language skills is wide. The teachers plan on an individual basis with each child, adjusting their interaction strategies appropriately. Teachers will directly ask some of the older toddlers their plan for play, but with younger children, a different planning technique is used: as the younger children engage in play, the teachers will move to each child and comment on the choices they have made. In this way the younger children are introduced to the idea of planning and the words used in a developmentally appropriate way.

Daily Routine #2 At-A-Glance

7:30-8:00 a.m.	Group time	11:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.	Lunchtime
8:00-9:00 a.m.	Choice time/diapers/washroom	12:15-2:15 p.m.	Naptime
9:00-9:15 a.m.	Snack	2:15-2:30 p.m.	Washroom/diapers
9:15-10:15 a.m.	Dress for outside play and proceed to outside time	2:30-3:30 p.m.	Dressing and outside time
10:15-10:30 a.m.	Inside/undressing	3:30-3:45 p.m.	Inside/undressing/snack
10:30-11:30 a.m.	Choice time	3:45-4:00 p.m.	Group time
11:30-11:45 a.m.	Washroom/diapers	4:00-6:00 p.m.	Choice time
	large group (movement and music)		