

Early Learning Readiness Program

Come play with us! The Y's Early Learning Readiness (ELR) provides a stimulating environment for children (0 – 5 years) to develop the physical, verbal, and social skills needed for school readiness. Caregivers develop the skills needed to prepare their child for the first day of school.

Here is what you can expect with ELR:

- Kids will interact with other youth, engage in active play, and develop physically, verbally and socially.
- Caregivers learn more about how to help their child become school-ready.
- Caregivers of young children can meet and socialize with one another.
- There will be Circle Time, books, sing-a-longs, healthy snacks, resources and fun art activities.

Two Program Locations Elizabeth and Rahway

Elizabeth Branch – 135 Madison Avenue, Elizabeth NJ

Monday and Wednesday 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM (Spanish)

Tuesday and Thursday 10:00 AM-12:00 PM (Spanish)

Contact Person: Lisa Yanez at lyanez@tgfymca.org or 908-355-3061

First Presbyterian Church (Rahway) – 1731 Church Street, Rahway NJ

Monday and Wednesday 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM (English)

Tuesday and Thursday 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM (English)

Contact Person: Shannon Frank at sfrank@tgfymca.org or 732-388-0057

Who can participate? Children 0-5* years old and their adult caregiver are eligible. A caregiver can be anyone – parent, aunt, uncle, older brother/sister, grandparent, neighbor or nanny. Each family is invited to participate for a maximum of two years.

*Child must be turning 5 years old after October 1.

What is the cost? A \$25 yearly program fee is due at registration. Please note that all participants need to be a current member of The Gateway Family YMCA.