

Bright Horizons at Chicago West Loop

What to Expect

At Bright Horizons at Chicago West Loop, your child will be safe, well cared for, loved, and supported by our skilled teachers. Our carefully crafted back-up care program offers ageappropriate programs to encourage curious, happy, and confident children at every age and stage.

View our virtual tour!

Our center has been welcoming families since 1995 for their back-up, school vacation, and summer care needs. Throughout the year, we offer virtual family information sessions and workshops, themed program weeks, and many other events for children ages 6 weeks to 12 years.

If you would like a virtual visit prior to care, we would be more than happy to schedule one at your convenience; our center administrative team can be reached at 312-876-8687 or westloop@brighthorizons.com.

Health & Safety

At Bright Horizons your child's health, safety, and wellness is our top priority. We continually monitor state and local public health guidelines, consult with our medical experts, and use our considerable experience to guide our practices. We're prepared to respond quickly and adjust those health and safety practices as needed, to ensure children, families, and teachers are protected.

Designed for the well-being of staff, children, and families

- A daily health check policy that strives to mitigate the spread of illnesses
- Frequent cleaning and disinfecting of high-touch surfaces, toys, and soft items
- Strict handwashing and sanitary policies to prevent the spread of illnesses
- Safety and security procedures designed to keep our families and staff protected
- Secure entrances to all centers
- Curriculum that emphasizes healthy practices for children

What to Bring

Enrollment Forms & Health Records

Prior to care, we are required to obtain additional information about your family. Many of the forms are available on our Back-up Care portal: <u>backup.brighthorizons.com/account/login</u>, and will need to be submitted along with your child's Illinois Child Health Examination Form and birth certificate (a requirement in the city of Chicago).

Meals & Snacks

Meals & Snacks For children 10 months and older families can choose to participate in our snack/lunch program (consisting of a combination of fruit, vegetable, protein or carbohydrate, and milk). Catered lunch must be purchased: \$5/child under 6, and \$6/ child 6-12 years; or families have the option to take their child out for lunch. If a family chooses to provide food instead, then they must follow guidelines. For children under 2 years, all food provided must be store bought/sealed and ready to eat. *Please note: our center is a nut safe environment and we ask you not to pack any nut items for your child.* Infant bottles cannot come prepared (it's a Chicago regulation), unless it is breast milk. Formula needs to be brought sealed and will be prepped onsite; a fresh bottle is needed for each feeding.

Items From Home

- 2 -3 sets of extra clothing
- Diapers and wipes (as needed)
- Child-sized blanket
- Favorite toy, book, etc. to ease the drop-off transition or for rest time
- ▶ 3-4 clean bottles (as needed)



Center Location

Our center is located on the northeast corner of Clinton St (540 W) and Monroe St. (100 S) in Downtown Chicago, aka, The West Loop.

Our entrance (store front entrance on ground level) faces Clinton St, near the intersecting streets. Look for the frosted glass door with the buzzer. Please note, there are signs to indicate the center's entrance.

Parking: There is a parking structure in the 500 W. Monroe building. Parents/guardians are provided in & out vouchers; if their stay in the garage is less than thirty minutes parking is free.

Our Staff



Arlisa, Center Director

I love Bright Horizons because of the standard of care that is provided. As a family solutions provider, working in back-up care, we provide quality care to families when they need it most! I find it rewarding to engage with new and returning families and provide a safe nurturing environment. Bright Horizons allows me to utilize my skills and display my passion for early education and the development of young learners.

In education since: 1999



Keresa, Health & Safety Director

I love working for BH because here I can learn, grow, and excel as a great leader and educator.

In education since: 1996

Our Teaching Staff

Our teachers are the heart of our program — people with the skills, passion, and dedication to make early education their career. They are experienced and dedicated professionals who meet strict certification requirements. Through *Discovery Driven Learning*[™], our teaching and learning framework, these talented educators focus on children's unique interests while supporting today's big milestones and tomorrow's success. We support our educators with our own award-winning training, as well as learning opportunities to further advance their careers and skills through training, certificates, and college degrees.

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For Bright Horizons Back-up Care[™] reservations:

- **Visit** | backup.brighthorizons.com
- **Call** | 877.BH.CARES (242-2737)
- **Download** | Search "Bright Horizons" in the App Store/Google Play to find our Back-Up Care app



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