

Cambridge Community Playgroups Registration for Spring Series 2020

What are Cambridge Community Playgroups?

Community Playgroups are run by the Agenda for Children and the Center for Families. Community Playgroups are fun, FREE groups for Dads, Moms or caregivers from Cambridge and their children ages 15 months—5 years old. There are two Tiny Tot Community Playgroups for children ages 15 months—23 months and three Community Playgroups for children ages 2 years old—5 years old.

How do playgroups help my children?

Children play and learn with other children and you get time to play and learn with your child. You help them play with other kids and do fun activities together. The routines and activities help children grow and get ready for school.

When and where do they meet?

Each playgroup meets 7 - 8 times, April-June. Groups do not meet on days the Cambridge Public Schools are closed (such as snow days or holidays) or Early Release Days. Please review the dates for each group on the Registration Form carefully. Playgroups meet in the morning from 10:00am—11:30am.

What if I can't come one week?

We understand that sometimes a child is sick, or you can't make it to group for another reason. You can miss up to 3 groups. If you miss more than 3 groups, then we will give your spot to another child on the waiting list. You can always sign up again next time!

How do I sign up?

Fill out this registration form and return it by Friday, March 20th.

1. You can mail it to: Center for Families, c/o DHSP, 51 Inman St., Cambridge, MA 02139.
2. You can give it to anyone at the Center for Families (70 Rindge Ave. or 51 Inman St.) or Natalia Martinez at the Agenda for Children (119 Windsor St., basement).
3. You can email Cynthia at cwoodward@cambridgema.gov for forms that can be emailed.

How will I know if I am in a playgroup?

We run a lottery for everyone that turns in their forms by the due date of 3/20. We will call or e-mail you by 3/25 to tell you whether you are in a group or on the waitlist.

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Additional Information

Questions? Need more information? Contact:

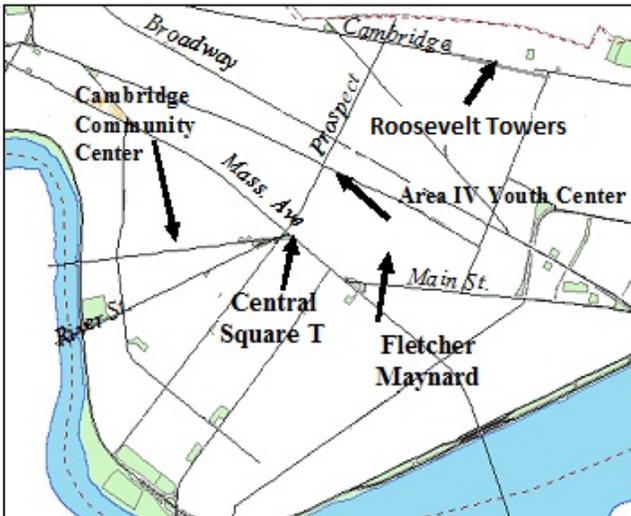
Cynthia Woodward, Center for Families at 617-349-6327

or e-mail cwoodward@cambridgema.gov

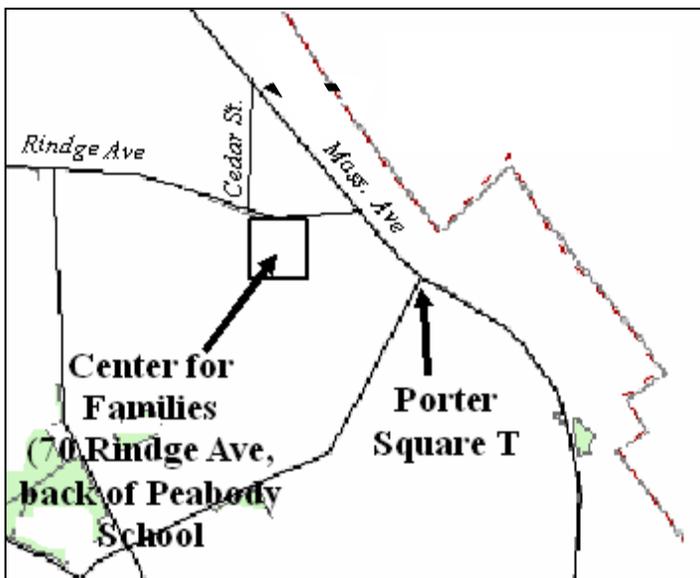
Natalia Martinez, Agenda for Children, at 617-665-3825

or e-mail jbaily@challiance.org.

Locations in Central & East Cambridge



Locations in North Cambridge



More Information!

Cancellations: If Cambridge Public Schools are canceled, or if there is a state of emergency, we will cancel playgroups.

Weather: Groups will not be canceled due to rain. If you have questions, call 617-349-6385.

Sickness: If you or any of the children you are bringing has had a bad cough, fever, diarrhea, or vomiting in the last 24 hours, do not come to group.

If you cannot come to your group, call Cynthia Woodward at 617-349-6327. Please leave a message if need be.



Remember to check the date when your group starts! Groups do not always meet every week so check dates carefully!

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Parent's First/Last Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Email: _____ Name of Adult attending group with your child: _____

Relationship to your child: _____ (mother, father, grandparent, provider)

Family Address (street # and name): _____ Cambridge, MA Zip Code: _____

Please list all children who will be attending playgroup:

Child's First/Last Name: _____ Birthdate: _____

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Do any of the children have special needs or allergies that we should know about? (circle one) **YES NO**

If yes, please describe: _____

What language(s) do you speak at home?: _____

How did you hear about Cambridge Community Playgroups?: _____

Optional: These questions are so we can report to our funders the number of people who attend our programs who live in subsidized housing or who are currently taking English classes. The answer you give is confidential (we do not share your name) and will not affect your placement in a group.

Do you live in Public Housing, receive Section 8, or some other form of subsidized housing? (circle one) **YES NO**

Are you currently taking a class to learn English? (circle one) **YES NO**

Please mark your first and second choice in the blank space provided.

You are not guaranteed to get your first choice.

These groups are for children who will be at 2 years old by the start of the group:

Center for Families 70 Rindge Avenue	Mondays 10:00—11:30am	4/6, 4/13, 4/27, 5/4, 5/11, 5/18, 6/1, 6/8
Fletcher Maynard Academy 229 Windsor St.	Tuesdays 10:00—11:30am	4/7, 4/14, 4/28, 5/5, 5/12, 5/19, 5/26, 6/2
Cambridge Community Center 5 Callendar St.	Wednesdays 10:00-11:30am	4/8, 4/15, 4/29, 5/6, 5/20, 5/27, 6/10

These Tiny Tots groups are for children 15-23 months:

Center for Families 70 Rindge Avenue	Tuesdays 10:00—11:30am	4/7, 4/14, 4/28, 5/5, 5/12, 5/19, 5/26, 6/2
Moses Youth Center (formally Area IV) 243 Harvard St.	Thursdays 10:00—11:30am	4/9, 4/16, 4/30, 5/7, 5/14, 5/28, 6/4, 6/11

Forms must be completed by the child's parent or legal guardian. Providers cannot fill out forms for the child in their care. Providers, if you have more than one child in your care, please attached the forms together once they are completed by the children's parent.