



Early Learning Classroom—Young Toddler

The Need for Young Toddler Classrooms

Young Toddler classrooms should employ learning stations that support a wide variety of activities for children. Play stations let children envision themselves in a variety of real-life and imaginary scenarios. Stations that emphasize fine motor skills help children foster independence as they learn to use writing tools or work with buttons, zippers, snaps and laces. Reading stations let children work on letters, sight words and sounds that develop their literacy skills. Storage and furnishings need to be low enough to allow teachers to observe all children, wherever they are in the room.

Requirements for a Great Young Toddler Classroom

For **students**, an ideal toddler classroom should help them advance through developmental milestones and begin preparing them for kindergarten. Stations should be positioned closely together so students can easily move from one learning area to another. Furnishings should be appropriately sized for early learners, so they stay comfortable throughout the day.

For **teachers**, the toddler classroom should feature furnishings with a low profile to ensure all children can always be seen no matter where they are in the room. Teachers should be able to easily move between stations as they observe children or oversee lessons and activities. Shelving, carts and locking storage units keep classroom materials organized and out of reach.

For **administrators**, the best toddler classroom features intelligently selected furnishings that meet the requirements of their space. All products should be available at the time they are needed, and orders must arrive correctly and on time. Installations must be quick and efficient.

Young Toddler Classroom Solutions from School Outfitters

School Outfitters' research and development team designed a toddler classroom with furnishings that ensure children's safety and encourage them to participate in activities that support milestone development. The **Project Area**, **Stations Area**, and **Storage Area** are designed to work together to create a stimulating environment that's perfect for early learners.

The **Project Area** makes it easy for teachers to organize students into small and large groups for classroom activities. This area includes:

- **Activity tables**
- **Chairs**

Activity tables can seat several students for small group work or be pushed together to accommodate large projects. Laminate desktops easily wipe clean so they're sure to look great for years.

Sturdy **chairs** keep children comfortable and secure as they work. Low seat heights allow young students to enter and exit their seats without assistance.

The **Stations Area** is comprised of a variety of furnishings that accommodate all the needs of a toddler classroom - from changing, feeding and resting to reading and active play. This area includes:

- **Active station**
- **Changing station**
- **Feeding station**
- **Reading station**
- **Resting station**

The **active station** encourages children to climb, play and explore during active playtime. Toddlers can explore their reflections and facial expressions with a shatter-resistant, kid-safe **mirror**. **Climbers** and **crawly bumps** help little ones work on dexterity and motor skills as they crawl through tunnels or pull themselves up. A **sitting ring** allows early learners to sit and play unassisted, creating a feeling of independence during playtime. A **classroom rug** completes the space and offers a soft surface for children crawling or sitting on the floor.

The **changing station** ensures caregivers have a safe and comfortable place for changing little ones. **Changing tables** with vinyl pads keep children secure and comfortable, and **diaper storage** keeps changing supplies close at hand.

The **feeding stations** offers a safe and sanitary place for little ones to enjoy meals and snacks. **Feeding chairs** with safety belts keep children secure and removable trays make clean ups simple.

The **reading station** provides children with a place to look at story books individually or with a small group. A kid-sized **bookstand** makes reading material easily accessible, and the **imagination station** offers a cozy place where children can

relax with books.

A **resting station** with **cots** gives toddlers a cozy place to nap. The cots feature one-piece construction, making them easy to stack and clean, and heat-sealed seams prevent fraying.

The **Storage Area** keeps your young toddler classroom organized. Low profile storage units ensure caregivers can see all areas of the room. This area includes:

- **Lockers**
- **Bin storage**
- **Teacher's cabinet**

Lockers store infants' coats, hats and other outdoor wear so caregivers can quickly get little ones ready for outdoor playtime or to go home for the day.

Bin storage organizes classroom supplies and manipulatives.

The **teacher cabinet** keeps caregivers' personal belongings secure and out of the way.

Choosing your Young Toddler Classroom Solution

School Outfitters makes it easy to outfit the young toddler classroom at your early learning facility or daycare center. Choose the option that best fits your budget and needs and get an itemized quote with just one click, including all three of our specially designed stations. Our helpful representatives are happy to answer any questions about our stations and how you can put them to use in your young toddler classroom. Just give us a call 1-800-260-2776.