

Who We Are

Monroe County United Ministries (MCUM) creates lasting solutions to economic, educational and social injustice in our community through quality services, collaboration and innovation. We provide high-quality early childhood education, self-sufficiency services, and basic needs assistance for families in financial distress.

A Brief History

Monroe County United Ministries (MCUM) began in 1939 as a day care for low-income families. Over the years, MCUM has grown and changed to meet the needs of the community. Our goal is to reduce the impact of poverty in our community. We accomplish this goal through our programs and by networking with other organizations in an effort to find the best solutions for our clients.



Fast Facts



74% school-readiness rate in graduates

100%

of parents would recommend Compass to family or friends



Compass is open year-round from 7 am-5:30 pm Monday-Friday

Getting Here

827 West 14th Ct.
Bloomington, IN 47404

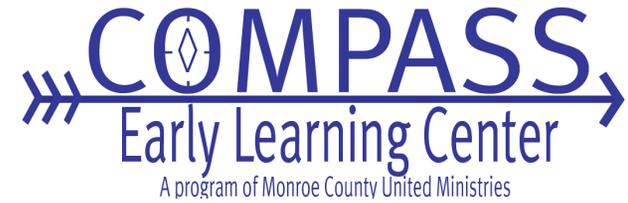
MCUM is located on the near west side of Bloomington, next to Tri-North Middle School and Mills Pool. We are located on the #2 West bus route.

Contact Us

Enrollment Inquiries:
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Fees & Payment Options:
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Are you in need of high-quality, affordable care for your child?

We can help!

Our Philosophy

At Compass Early Learning Center, we believe that young children have a natural curiosity about the world and an innate thirst for learning.

Compass teachers use a philosophy known as developmentally appropriate practices (DAP) and engage the child's mind in many creative ways that are suitable to the child's age, individual talents, and culture.

Our goal is to make education so much fun that children will think that they played all day. Our bi-annual developmental assessments confirm that this method is more fruitful in helping prepare children for the next stage in their development or academic career.



What We Provide:

- A licensed childcare program for children ages 1-5 years; We are currently a Paths to Quality Level 3 Provider.
- Daily breakfast, lunch, & snacks.
- Child-to-staff ratios that meet or exceed state requirements.
- Preventative health screenings.
- An accredited curriculum.
- Bi-annual developmental & academic assessments to measure children's behavioral and educational progress.
- A licensed mental health therapist on staff
- Field trips, summer swim lessons, and more!



Cost

Fees are determined on a sliding scale based on family size and income. A discount is available to families with more than one child enrolled.

For example, a household of 3 people making between \$29,551 and \$40,320 will pay \$80 per week for their child's care. You can view our current fee scale online at www.mcum.org/compass.

Eligible families are asked to apply for support through the Child Care Development Fund (CCDF) and On My Way Pre-K – which enable families to enroll their child(ren) at Compass without (or with a very small) fee.

Who Qualifies?

Compass provides care for children ages 1-5 years. In addition, all enrolling parents must meet at least one of the following criteria:

- Working 25+ hrs/week
- Enrolled full-time in school
- Working part time & enrolled in school part time

Eligibility is reviewed twice per year by our Business Coordinator, alongside household income (in order to determine families' weekly rates).