

## **Fort Dodge Play & Learn Center FAQ**

### **Q: What is the FD Play & Learn Center?**

- The Fort Dodge Play & Learn Center (FDPLC) is a place for families and children to play, explore, learn, grow, and connect. The PLC is filled with 5 stations: art, sensory, engineering, movement, and imagination.

### **Q: Where is the FDPLC located?**

- The Fort Dodge Play & Learn Center is located on the 2nd floor of the Wells Fargo building, 822 Central Avenue, in downtown Fort Dodge.

### **Q: Where can I park when I visit the FDPLC?**

- There is free 2 hour street parking available or spots within the Wells Fargo parking lot, which is located on the west side of the building. Enter the parking lot from 1st Avenue North.

### **Q: Where do I enter when visiting the FDPLC?**

- Visitors can enter the south doors off Central Avenue and ride the elevator up to the 2nd floor. After exiting the elevator, turn left and you've arrived at the FDPLC! If the south doors are locked, there is another entrance on the west side of the building. The door has a "no soliciting" sign on it. If you enter that door, walk down the narrow hallway to reach the lobby area.

### **Q: What ages are welcome at the FDPLC?**

- We welcome families with children ages birth through school age. While there is no exact age cut-off, most of the stations and materials are geared towards ages 2-7.

### **Q: What does it cost to visit the FDPLC?**

- \$4 is the admission fee to the FDPLC sessions. The Super Saturday sessions and Postpartum Play & Connect Groups are free.

### **Q: When can I visit the FDPLC?**

- Seasonal schedules are released on our website and Facebook page. We are a volunteer-run program, so our schedule is dependent on volunteer availability. We try to be open at least 2-3 times per week and our sessions run from 9-11 AM. If a session has less than 5 children signed up 24 hours prior to the session, it will be cancelled.

### **Q: How can I stay up to date on the updates & events?**

- Follow us on Facebook and visit our website to sign up for our email list.

### **Q: Who runs the FD Play & Learn Center?**

- The Play & Learn Center is a program offered by Linking Families and Communities. Elizabeth Stanek, executive director, and Jenn Becker, program director, are the primary organizers. Jenn is the main volunteer and has an extensive background in early childhood education. We also have volunteers who help supervise the play sessions. All volunteers undergo background checks and participate in a training orientation to lead or support the FDPLC.