PattyCake Playhouse

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\*Directions link to Googlemaps

Our Philosophy

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## Our Team

Donna Conklin—Owner

**Donna** purchased Pattycake Playhouse in April 2005.  Since then she has expanded the school with a large addition, doubling the number of students and families served. Prior to Pattycake, Donna worked for large corporations and has an acute awareness of ethical business practices.  Being a mother of two children who attended Pattycake, she is very aware of what parents look for in a high quality preschool program. On the heels of Pattycake’s success, Donna ventured out to open additional locations, hence the birth of Castle Point Early Childhood Learning Center in Dutchess County and Pattycake on 32 in New Windsor.  Donna works diligently in aligning the three schools so that all the programs have reputations that supersede them. Email Donna Conklin: [**donna@pattycakeplayhouse.com**](mailto:donna@pattycakeplayhouse.com)

Michelle Pagano—Director @ Pattycake Playhouse

**Michelle** began working as the Director at Pattycake Playhouse in April 2005. Prior to her role as Director, she taught in the Marlboro School District for two years.  Michelle did her undergraduate and graduate studies at Mount Saint Mary College. She earned a Bachelor’s Degree in English with NYS teaching certifications in Elementary and Special Education and a Master’s Degree in Education with a NYS teaching certification in Literacy. In addition to her responsibilities as Director, Michelle holds a NYSEC Trainer Credential and a Professional Development Specialist. She provides early childhood professionals with mandatory training and assists individuals with obtaining their CDA credentials through her training organization, Training Wheels Education Station, LLC.  Michelle enjoys working with her staff to reflect on and improve program practices and to stay up to date on current educational trends.  She is always taking advantage of opportunities to get families involved in the center. Michelle understands the importance of quality childcare combined with a solid foundation for Kindergarten readiness. Email Michelle Pagano: [**michelle@pattycakeplayhouse.com**](mailto:michelle@pattycakeplayhouse.com)

Nicole Scacciaferro—Director @ Pattycake Playhouse on 32

**Nicole** has been working with Pattycake since 2010. She became director of Pattycake Playhouse on 32 in 2018. She holds two associates degrees, one in Childcare and the other in Business. She is currently working on obtaining her NYS Program Administrator Credential. Email Nicole Scacciaferro: **Nicole@pattycakeplayhouse.com**

## Flex Scheduling

## Sitter Service

## Awards / Accolades

**Pattycake Playhouse named Best Daycare & Best Nursery School by Times Herald Record!**  
Year-after-year Pattycake Playhouse has been recognized by the community and voted Best Daycare and Best Nursery School. We are proud to have enjoyed this accolade for the ***SEVENTH YEAR IN A ROW!*** We strive for excellence every day and are proud that you recognize our commitment to you and your children.

**Pattycake Playhouse named Medium Business of the Year**  
Pattycake Playhouse was recognized as Orange County Chamber of Commerce Medium Business of the Year during the Chamber’s Annual Meeting and Awards Reception.

“Known for the quality of its early childhood education and care in Orange County for over 25 years, Pattycake Playhouse continues to grow now with three locations. In addition to providing compassionate child care, the company and its employees are deeply committed to local philanthropy and community service.”

Thank you to our families, teachers, administration, and community for making this possible!

**Best of the Hudson Valley –**

**Pattycake Playhouse has won Best of the Hudson Valley the last TWO YEAR IN A ROW** for both Best Day Care and Best Nursery School by Hudson Valley Magazine

Pattycake Playhouse also has received recognition and awards from

Congressman Sean Patrick Maloney

Senator John J. Bonacic

Senator Kirsten Gillibrandt

Senator James Skoufis

Senator William Larkin

Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther

Orange County Executive Steven Neuhaus

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## Join Our Team

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**QUALIFICATIONS**:

**HEAD TEACHERS FOR PRESCHOOLERS**:

Minimum of an Associate’s degree in Early Childhood, Child Development

Or

Child Development Associate Credential and one year experience related to caring for children

Or

9 College credits in Early Childhood, Child Development or a related field, with a plan of study leading to a: Child Development Associate Credential; Associates Degree in Early Childhood, Child Development or a related field and Two years of experience related to caring for children.

And

The Job Responsibilities outlined below.

**HEAD TEACHERS FOR INFANTS/TODDLERS:**

Infant and Toddler Child Care and Education Credential

or

Infant Toddler Child Development Associate Credential

And

Two years of experience related to caring for children.

The Job Responsibilities outlined below.

**ASSISTANT TEACHERS**: must be comfortable working with children between 8 weeks – 5 years, especially infants and toddlers. Desired candidates have at least 1 year prior experience working with children ages 8 weeks – 5 years First Aid and CPR training, knowledge of NAEYC early childhood goals and NYSOCFS regulations are a plus- but we will train the best candidates.

Job Responsibilities include (but are not limited to):

* Maintain the health and safety of the children through competenet supervision
* Communicate with families on a daily basis regarding their child.
* Maintain a clean and sanitary classroom
* Facilitate the emotional, social, cognitive and physical growth of the children in your care
* Ensure that required record forms are up to date
* Make sure the classroom schedule and lesson plans are followed and completed
* Be part of a dedicated team
* Candidates must have flexible availability as the center operates form 6:30 am – 6:00 pm Monday through Friday.

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