







#### COMPATIBILITY OF CAREER AND FAMILY AT VIENNA BIOCENTER

At the Child Care Center, we are proud to offer professional, reliable, and flexible child care for all Vienna BioCenter employees. Our highly motivated team of qualified pedagogues works every day to create a loving and caring atmosphere for children from 3 months to 6 years of age. Our daycare is a positive and stimulating environment that provides everything a child's heart desires.

## **OUR SERVICES**

- Best care for kids through more qualified personnel per group than required by Viennese law.
- Freshly prepared, seasonal food for breakfast, lunch and afternoon snack. Fresh vegetables and fruits are freely available to the children all day.
- We are convinced that daily exercise and outdoor activities optimally promote the children's motor skills. Weather permitting, we play outside in our garden or in parks, on playgrounds nearby and take the youngest children for a walk.
- Keeping of a **portfolio folder** to accompany each child in his or her personal development. Drawings and photos of the child are collected alongside reports from the pedagogues.
- Comprehensive child protection concept, looking at potential risk factors from the child's environment and from within the kindergarten.
- Focus on **STEM education**. Learning and discovery in the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics are designed to be exploratory, hands-on and joyful.
- Bilingual education and handicraft with Elizabeth (Betsy) Higgins-Pösinger, an English native speaker, Montessori teacher, and master craftsman of carpentry who joins the Child Care team twice a week to introduce Music/Dance, Yoga and Carpentry.

## **OUR PHILOSOPHY: MONTESSORI PEDAGOGY**

We follow the principles of Montessori pedagogy. Children are accepted as they are; they are treated with respect and accompanied along their developmental paths in loving and caring ways. Children are helped to obtain individual independence – following the Montessori principle 'Help me to do it myself'. We embrace the national and cultural diversity of our children and acknowledge this in our daily work. Children's activities are often group-overlapping, so that children can choose activities according to their developmental level. Furthermore, we offer special activities depending on the child's age.

#### **OUR GUIDING PRINCIPLES**

We place great importance on the fact that our kindergarten is an educational institution. Our goal is to create learning opportunities while making children feel comfortable and safe in their environment. The child is our priority.

**Our Values** 

Our Image of the Child

Our Language

Our Celebrations

Our Partnership

## **OUR ROOMS AND GARDENS**

















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