



# Why Choose the KELC?

At Turnstone, we see each child as an individual with a variety of needs and abilities. The program's goal is to build better futures for young children and their families by providing quality early-childhood education. This is inclusive of children who have had difficulty finding success at other child-care facilities due to behavior issues related to a variety of disabilities.

Turnstone's teaching staff provides children with opportunities for confidence building and success. Activities are planned to help children learn through play and structured activities, acquire problem-solving abilities, and develop language and motor skills.

Families tell us their children are kinder, gentler, and better leaders as a result of being a part of Turnstone's KELC. Other benefits include:

- Increased understanding and acceptance of diversity.
- Improved social relationships, networks, and more meaningful friendships.
- Continual advancement toward school readiness and success.











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#### **About Turnstone**

Turnstone empowers people with disabilities to reach for their full potential in every aspect of life. The agency's programs and services evolve and expand to respond to the needs and desires of people with disabilities and their families throughout our regional community.

We are guided by the vision that one day, all people will live, work, learn, and play in a community based on abilities, not disabilities. To accomplish this, Turnstone is a national leader in the provision of therapy (occupational, physical, speech, and aquatic therapy), as well as health and wellness, child care, adult day services, and sports and recreation programs for people with disabilities.

Turnstone is where disabilities are turned into possibilities.

## Kimbrough Early Learning Center (KELC)

The Kimbrough Early Learning Center at Turnstone is a full-day child-care and before-and after-school care program that takes into consideration the unique physical, developmental, and social needs of children of all abilities. KELC opened in 2005 as one of northeast Indiana's first early-education programs that welcome children with or without disabilities in an inclusive environment where kids of all abilities can learn and grow together—physically, emotionally, and socially.

## Childcare

Turnstone's licensed child care is designed for children of all abilities, ages 2 to 6. The KELC uses HighScope Curriculum and is rated by Paths to Quality as a Level 3, which means the program has hands-on learning activities, a licensed staff, and a planned curriculum. The KELC also holds national accreditation through CARF, the Commission on Accreditation for Rehabilitation Facilities.

Turnstone's child-care fees are competitively priced for licensed child-care programs. If your child has a diagnosed disability, and the weekly rate is outside your budget, you may apply for tuition assistance. Brightpoint child-care vouchers are also accepted. Breakfast, lunch, and snacks are included at no additional cost. And, child care is available from 6:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

### Before & After School Care

Turnstone's before and after-school care program is designed for children of all abilities, ages 6 to 12. Children are served breakfast and an afternoon snack. Program activities include arts, crafts, games, outdoor playtime, and tutoring.

Before and after-school care is available from 6:30 a.m. to 8 a.m. and from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. The program is also open in the event of snow or weather cancellations, as well as during holidays and school breaks (based on the FWCS schedule). Before and after-school care fees are affordable and available on a full- or part-time basis.

Therapy can be scheduled during afterschool care hours. The staff of the KELC also provides care for children who participate in Turnstone's adaptive sports and recreation programs.



