

# FOUNDATIONS TO FUTURES

## STEPS TO JOIN



Apply for Enrollment at Lipscomb University ([admission.lipscomb.edu](http://admission.lipscomb.edu))



Send an email to Zarabeth and Coco to interview with Little Wonders



Complete Financial Aid (FAFSA)



Begin Classes August 2026

### Earned Credentials

Child Development Associate (CDA) Certification	DOL Child Development Specialist Certificate	DOL Early Childhood Educator Certificate
Associate's Degree (64 hours)	Bachelor's Degree (126 hours)	9 total semesters

## ABOUT

Little Wonders Early Learning Center has partnered with Lipscomb University and the U.S. Department of Labor to offer a registered apprenticeship program that allows students to earn a tuition-free bachelor's degree in Early Childhood Education while gaining paid, hands-on experience.

### Contact Information

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## ADMISSION TO LIPSCOMB

1-Complete the online application at [admission.lipscomb.edu](http://admission.lipscomb.edu) (Application fee waiver code: Online50) Please be sure to list each college and/or High School you have previously attended.

2-Complete the 2026-2027 FAFSA (School code: 003486)

3-Request to have your transcript(s) from your previous college(s) sent directly to:

Lipscomb University  
Undergraduate Admissions  
One University Park Drive  
Nashville, TN 37204  
(must have a min 2.0 GPA)

4-If you have completed fewer than 6044 hours of accredited college work, an official high school transcript (minimum 2.5 GPA) is also required. Contact the school board where your high school is located and have them mail the transcript to Admissions at the address above.



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