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Oasis' Early Start Imagination Camp has revamped its program for 3- to 5-year-olds starting this summer, calling it "Ready for September."

The program was designed by a team of clinical and school psychologists, along with certified teachers, according to the camp. It's meant to prepare children for the classroom; they'll learn about the alphabet and counting, for instance.

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"This is real camp, not day care," says Bernie Tessler, owner and chief executive of Oasis. It also includes outdoor activities and Red Cross certified swim instruction.

The day runs from 8:30 to 4:30 p.m., with 5:30 p.m. pickup available for no extra charge, for eight weeks from June 26 to Aug. 18. It will be available at all Early

Start camp locations, which include LIU Post-720 Northern Blvd., Brookville; Michael J. Tully Park, New Hyde Park; and Manorhaven Park, 158 Manorhaven Blvd., Manorhaven.

The cost is \$473 to \$590 per week with a two-week minimum (prices vary by location). Lunch and transportation are available for an additional fee. For more information, call 800- 317-1392 or visit [oasischildren.com/early-start-imagination-camp](http://oasischildren.com/early-start-imagination-camp).

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