UBC welcomes its 37 youngest students at new Heron's Landing child care centre

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As September grows closer, UBC comes alive with the return of thousands of students to campus. While the image of young adults starting the academic year may come to mind, UBC also welcomes over 850 learners who haven't even started primary school yet!

These children are part of UBC's renowned child care program, which prioritizes parents and guardians who study, work, teach and research in the campus community. It operates 33 licensed locations across its Vancouver and Okanagan campuses. In fact, UBC is one of Vancouver's largest child care providers, and stands out as North America's largest university-operated child care provider.

Bird's eye view: Heron's Landing opens its doors

UBC Child Care welcomed the exciting addition of Heron's Landing child care centre on Aug. 1. It will welcome 12 toddler-age children (12 months to kindergarten) and 25 pre-school-age children (3-5 years old) in two distinct spaces.

Named after the majestic Blue Heron, it symbolizes new beginnings, light through dark, and hope for the next generation. Its location on the fifth floor of the newly opened Brock Commons South building offers a different perspective than the other child care settings on the Vancouver campus, providing spectacular views of the Georgia Strait and coastal mountains from the outdoor play area.

Illuminated with natural light through floor-to-ceiling windows, Heron's Landing stands tall. New, state-of-the-art amenities are designed to create a nurturing and stimulating environment for young children.

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