When will the new slots in the Cyert Center be available?
The expansion should accommodate approximately 100 additional children by Fall 2023. We are very excited about the opportunity to welcome so many more children and their families into the Cyert Center. Of course, the project of expanding the center has just begun, so we will provide updates throughout the expansion project to ensure that the CMU Community remains well informed about our progress.

When will the waiting list be available for the newly available slots?
We are very excited about the opportunity to welcome so many more children and their families into the Cyert Center. Of course, the project of expanding the center has just begun. We would expect to open the waitlist for new families in 2023, but the exact timing will be based on progress toward our planned launch in Fall 2023. Throughout this significant project, we will provide updates to ensure that the CMU Community remains well informed about our progress. These updates will include specific communications about the waitlist with details about when and how to apply.

How many <infants, toddlers, etc.> will the Cyert Center be able to accommodate?
The exact number of <infants, toddlers, etc.> has not yet been determined. The expansion should accommodate approximately 100 additional children by Fall 2023, and we are very excited about the opportunity to welcome so many more children and their families into the Cyert Center. That said the project of expanding the center has just begun, so there are some questions that we are not yet able to answer. Rest assured, we will provide updates throughout the expansion project to ensure that the CMU Community remains well informed about our progress.

Will tuition for the Cyert Center increase to fund this expansion?
The Cyert Center, like any function or department at the university, examines their operating budget each fiscal year to ensure its continued financial health and the need to address increasing expenses. Any increases are carefully considered as the university understands the impact of such increases on our participating community members.

I’m glad that the Cyert Center is expanding, but what about <this benefit>?
We don’t have any specific information about changes to <this benefit> at this time. However, CMU offers a wide variety of benefits and programs designed to meet the needs of faculty and staff members and is committed to providing benefits that support you through every stage of your career. HR continually examines our benefits package, exploring ways to improve the programs, manage the cost to our employees and identify opportunities to expand or add new benefits to address shifting, growing or emerging needs. Over the last few years in response to the pandemic and feedback, the university added several new resources including access to Care.com, family care concierge services and the recently announced expansion of Cyert Center.

Will the expansion impact daily operations within the Cyert Center?
We are very excited about the opportunity to welcome so many more children and their families into the Cyert Center. However, with a project of this size, there will be times over the coming year when the Cyert Center team will need to adjust daily operations to accommodate the work of completing this expansion. The educators will be working closely with the project team to ensure that any project work will cause as little disruption as possible. Also, we are committed to providing updates throughout the expansion project, including advanced notice of any changes to our daily routine.

Will my child be safe during the work of the expansion?
Absolutely. Throughout its history, the Cyert Center has maintained a deep commitment to offer children the highest quality of care and education. While the work of the expansion may cause us to alter our daily routine at times, our primary concern has been and always will be the care and education of the children. We will work to minimize any disruptions, carefully plan any adjustments to our operations and provide advance notice of any changes to our families.
What should I do if I have additional questions about the Cyert Center and/or the expansion project?
Please contact the Cyert Center at ccee-info@andrew.cmu.edu.