



DCC Newsletter

Open hearts... open hands... for our caregiving community!

• **RECORDKEEPING FOR TAXES** (Zoom)

WED, FEB 3rd, 7PM

• 2 hrs licensing • Zoom call addy forthcoming

Tax time will be here all too soon. Join Janice Klimek, CPA, (college accounting professor, tax business owner) for our annual provider seminar. She'll give the basics + any NEW info applicable to caregivers. Plan now to attend this on-line training whether it's your 1st time filing family day care taxes or just for a refresher.

To RSVP, please contact DCC 1st: kay@daycareconnection.org or 913-529-1200. We'll send you a notice with exact Zoom addy.



CPR/1st AID @DCC

SAT, FEB 13, 8:30AM

(RSVP by 2/3)

SAT, MAR 20, 8:30AM

(RSVP by 3/10)

SAT, APR 17, 8:30AM

(RSVP by 4/7)

Course is excellently given by Tiffany Saturday, EMT.



Send \$70 check to DCC, 8853 Long, Lenexa, KS 66215, with preferred date on memo line OR call & use credit card, 529-1200.

- 6 hrs licensing credit
- non-refundable fee



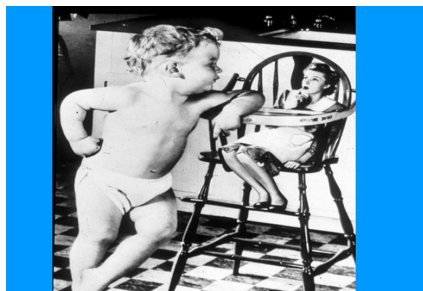
• **FIRE EXTINGUISHER CHECKS**

THUR, FEB 4th, 6-7PM @DCC •no RSVP required•**MASK REQUIRED** •1 in our door at a time

• **NOT JUST BREAD & A BURP!** (YouTube, Mar 16th)

• 2 hrs licensing/food program • YouTube addy forthcoming

Having trouble **still** trying to figure out infant meal patterns vs. parents wishes? **Still** frustrated which with just which Whole Grain labels count? We invite you to watch this refresher which breaks it all down & makes SIMPLE work of it all! Come & see your dear Home Visitors in action.



Calendar Reminders

2/2 open-8PM, video 6PM: "Just the Facts: Muffins, Yeast Breads, Knives...etc" **CLOSED-FULL**

2/3 4:30PM, MENUS DUE **TAXES** (Zoom) **7PM**

2/4 Fire Extinguisher Checks, 6-7PM

2/13 8:30AM, CPR/1stAid



We don't "babysit"!

USDA is an equal opportunity provider. DCC is committed to making workshop activities available to all. Locations are handicap-accessible. Please contact us 2 weeks prior to events for special assistance.

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DCC'S 2021 ACTIVITY & RECORD KEEPING CALENDAR

- complete resource guide for family day care tax & business needs
- excellent system to track financial records
 - wonderful learning activities
 - super recipes

(DCC is almost out but can surely order more!)

2

TOM COPELAND'S TAX WORKBOOK & ORGANIZER

- new format carrying wealth of info from THE "Tax Guru" of our family day care industry

Get from: redleafpress.org

(Be sure to give parents your Tax ID # or Social Security # for tax records. It's the law!)

3

REMINDE PARENTS OF THE US EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT

- special tax benefit for working parents who earn below a certain amount
- if qualified, they owe less in taxes & may get cash back

call IRS: 800-829-1040

Try an adorable Celery Heart-Shaped

Valentine-easy for all ages!

Homemade Valentines are the best! But they can be quite time-consuming. This is a quick & simple way to make really cute ones which appeal to all ages!



Cut celery stalks. They look just like hearts!
Dip those into paint & stamp them all over on any kind of paper.



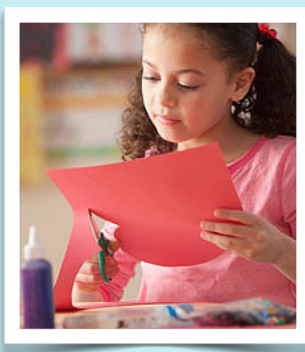
Older kids can write a poem such as:
*Roses are red, Violets are blue,
I'm so lucky to be friends with you!*
Then, cover the poem with celery heart stamps.

For younger ones you can write something to give to parents & have them stamp all over the paper. Fold & put into decorated envelope, & voila!

You have a handmade, heart-touching Valentine, made from your loving home day care business!



VISITORS' VIEWS



DCC Home Visitors have kept you aware of any slight tweaks of existing food program rules. These all help to maintain the integrity for future funding decisions! So, please... please, make sure to:

- fill in your Menus & Daily Attendance Roster completely every day. It's amazing to our staff how many times haste costs caregivers \$\$.
- e-mail or call if you don't do care. This is a required mandate many forget.
- get your required 2 hours, annual nutrition training done by summer's end. We truly make ALL our trainings interesting AND fun, + it's very easy to have this be part of your licensing requirement.

REFERRALS & YOU

Did you know you can help yourself & your business by participating in all types of training opportunities? Make sure parents know you attend. (DCC's workshops are authorized by KS Health Dept & KS Dept of Education. Our topics are what our caregivers tell us they want to see addressed ... NOT what we tell you to come learn.) Even the best child care business will stay childless if parents aren't aware what services you employ &/or what skills you continually enhance.



Fingers Are Crossed



- ▶ Fingers are crossed that we'll actually be able to have 1 of our popular 6-hr LIVE trainings
- ▶ by mid-summer. DCC plans to present the fun previously cancelled: **LIFE WITH LITTLE ONES CAN BE A PICNIC...BUT... NOT ALWAYS!** Pray Covid releases its grip & we can all get back to normal. As always,
- ▶ watch for details to come via your own private mailed invitation & email!