

DCC Newsletter



August... warm, & oh so wishful, for a fantastic fall ahead

The ABC's of it All-

A..CCEPTING CHANGE

B..ALANCING BELIEFS

C..REATING NEW HABITS

SAT, OCT 15th, 8:30-3PM @Lenexa United Methodist Church

(91/Caenen Lake Rd)

6 hours licensing, including 1 hour Health & Safety/2 hours CACFP credits
•prizes •fire extinguisher checks •giggles galore!

Folks, this fun learning event is full of what you need... fast-paced, useful & interesting info just right for family day care home businesses. This one proves to be full of new ways to look at things as a caregiver, new ways to change how you approach issues in your child care.



All this, plus, sharing & support from your fellow providers! Speakers bring warmth, understanding of your profession, as well as extensive education & experience. Enjoy a lovely ladies' lunch.

Space IS limited. Your special invitation with all the specifics & return RSVP form will be mailed after Sept 1st. Do return quickly. Plan now to join DCC's provider community with this very enjoyable way to complete your crediting hour specifics!

(NOTE Watch for another of our useful tools to arrive next month:
DCC's Workshop Presentation Calendar Magnet.)

Welcome these Providers to Our DCC "Family"!

Brittany Cantrell- Blackbob
Kaytlin McKinley- Uniontown
Desiree Warson- Louisburg

CPR/1st AID @DCC

SAT, Oct 15, 8:30AM

(RSVP by 10/5)

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 • bring masks

Calendar Reminders

8/2 open-8PM, trng_6PM: "OoeyGoeySquishy Plop/Fizzle, Bubble Pop & Wow!"
8/3 4:30PM, MENUS DUE
8/20,27 8:30AM, CPR/1st Aid-classes FULL
9/5 Labor Day-DCC closed
9/6 4:30PM, MENUS DUE open-8PM, trng_6PM: "CreativeArt w/Young Children"/"Importance of Early Experiences"



We don't "babysit"!

DCC is an equal opportunity provider.

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IMPORTANT-PROVIDER VACATIONS

•Whenever you're closed, USDA requires you tell DCC prior to being off, NOT to list it on a Cover Sheet, after the fact. Please tell us by phone or email beforehand.

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IMPORTANT-MENUS SENT BY COMPUTER

•DCC office staff kindly requests you put YOUR LAST name on the subject line of email, containing your menus. It sure helps us when looking for each person's documents.

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IMPORTANT-WHO TO ASK

•In our effort to simplify, whenever you need forms, have training ?'s or want to update, PLEASE call the office (529-1200) & not Home Visitors. This way you're coming right to the source to best help with those things.

ENROLLMENT FORM



- When these are filed out, PLEASE BE SURE you **include the effective date in the top right corner!** If not listed, the state assumes actual beginning date for food program was the date parents signed the form at the bottom!
- We can't emphasize enough to turn Enrollments in the 1st day a little one begins. Simply have the parent sign the form at the kitchen table, take a picture off it with your phone, making sure it's horizontal & centered. Last, simply email it to kay@daycareconnection.org. There's NO need to follow up with mailed copy as the electronic copy is totally acceptable.
(The only time this isn't allowed is when we annually renew forms in September.)

REFERRALS & YOU

Do carefully read & analyze DCC's new 2022 Annual Survey of Family Day Care Rates enclosed. There are changes.

Check to see if you're in line with others in your school attendance area. Is it time to adjust your rates? Most changes happen at the beginning of school year or calendar year & average \$5-10/week.

Our Referral Dept has noticed MANY areas are **totally underserved for infants**. Call 529-1200, or e-mail kay@daycareconnection.org if you can possibly add love for this littlest age group in your family day care setting.

We sincerely thank you.



VISITORS' VIEWS— CONSIDER IT COFFEE WITH A FRIEND.



KS Dept of Education oversees all CACFP sponsors. They review us annually & make drop-in visits with our Home Visitors along to a small percentage of providers. They do these to ensure DCC is doing a good job in administering food program.

This will happen sometime the week of Aug 15th. These women will certainly show their ID, gladly hold a baby & are very nice.

So...please show them the same courtesy you show your DCC Home Visitor. Smile. Ask them to come inside. Be honest if a mistake is found. It's very important to record your menus & Attendance Forms DAILY! It reflects badly upon you AND us if you're behind, & menu deductions would have to happen. Know where your Enrollment Form copies are kept. Also, DO remember, you're supposed to have your labels available & know of Oz Equivalents .

Per regulations, contact us (529-1200 or kay@daycareconnection.org) if you'll be gone for ANY reason (on vacation or just to the park). We're required to deduct meals if a visit is attempted & no prior notice was given.

And, (if you genuinely feel this way) tell them you appreciate what DCC does; enjoy our workshops & find us, overall, helpful!

I thank you in advance for your positive approach to these visits & am FOREVER grateful for all of you... & what you do each & every day on behalf of the children! -Valerie