

DCC Reminders

during the Holidays!



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A SPECIAL 2016 HOLIDAY FLIER FOR YOU- DCC staff does this very special edition just for our hardworking caregivers. We realize it's a crazy time of year with far too many demands on most moms. So, in an effort to make your life simpler, we've compiled a list of reminders to help you get through the next few weeks with a smile on your face, a song in your heart & peace of mind knowing you've got your act together!!!!!!



12/16, FRI, "ANNUAL KIDS HOLIDAY PARTY"- 10 - 11AM @OP Lutheran

(79/Lowell, 7810 W 79, 66204) We'll have activities & crafts for all ages, treats & Santa Claus is sure to appear! Plan now to join this holiday fun for your tykes. Call us with # coming: 529-1200 or e-mail marcie@daycareconnection.org.



12/23/16-1/2/17, FRI - MON: DCC CLOSED FOR HOLIDAYS-

Offices will be closed during this time. Our front door slot for materials & voice mail will still be available.

IMPORTANT NOTICE! ALL CACFP cks given out end of DEC will be mailed. None can be held for pickup as DCC office will be closed. THANKS!

1/3, TUES:
DCC OPEN- 8PM (VIDEO TRNGS: "AIDS"/"Space to Grow" 6:30PM)
Drop by & grab needed forms.

1/5, THUR:
DEC MENUS DUE ALONG- Remember, you can also easily file these on-line using a simple e-mail attachment. Go to our website daycareconnection.org & look under Provider Forms.

1/16, MON:
DCC CLOSED ON MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY- DCC offices will be closed on this day to honor this great American. Our front door slot for materials & voice mail will still be available.



1/21 or 2/18, SAT, 8:30:
CPR/1st Aid- Tiffany Saturday, EMT, is excellent in understanding all that caregivers have to be responsible for these days! CPR/ Pediatric 1st Aid (6 hrs) combined class is \$70. (Fee is non-refundable as materials/ teacher must be planned.) Please bring lunch. Mail ck by 1/11 or 2/8 to: DCC- "CPR", 8853 Long, Lenexa, KS 66215.



1/30, MON:
"RECORD-KEEPING FOR TAXES"- 7PM @DCC



Tax time will be here all too soon. Join DCC Finance Director, Kevin Cable, for this popular seminar. He'll give the basics + NEW info applicable to caregivers. Come whether it's your 1st time filing day care taxes or just for a refresher. Cost- \$5 at the door. RSVP @529-1200 or e-mail: marcie@daycareconnection.org.

(2 hrs licensing credit)

AND ALSO, 1/30: FIRE EXTINGUISHER CKS MON, 6-7PM @DCC

Get this off your to-do list & make your home safer now!!



PLEASE DON'T FORGET:

EACH & EVERY MONTH:

- Turn in Enrollment Form the VERY 1ST DAY child is in care. Don't let it leave your house! Immediately, mail or drop off to DCC for proper recording.
- On Enrollment Form, have parent circle ANY days/meals they could ever POSSIBLY be at your day care. We must compare these when doing menu audits!
- Turn your MENUS in this ORDER: Cover Sheet, Attendance Form & lastly, Menus.
- Put YOUR NAME on Enrollment Form/Cover Sheet.
- Put YOUR NAME on subject line of e-mailed menus & on envelope of mailed menus.

WE DO THANK YOU.



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APPROXIMATELY 12/31 OR LATER, YOU'LL GET YOUR LAST CK FOR 2016- Do keep this CACFP stub dated in 12/16, for your November meals reimbursement. **It has all the important tax info you're going to need in order to do 2016 taxes.** Don't lose it!

GET DCC'S NEW 2017 NUTRITION & RECORD KEEPING SYSTEM CALENDAR...



hot off the presses-

We're excited to present our provider calendar this yr! It continues to have wonderful sections like:

- physical & table activities
- nutrition notes
- super recipes
- meal suggestions
- fun facts & of course...
- an excellent system to track your financial records.

Additionally, you'll have a complete resource guide for all your family day care business needs in '17, still only \$10 (\$14 if mailed). Stop by DCC soon to get 1 for your business!

NO-BAKE ENERGY BITES-



Provider, Debbie Baker, passed along this recipe to share with fellow caregivers. It's an easy 1 for this busy time & full of protein for that extra zip! Mix together: 1/2 C pb, 1/3 C honey, 1 t vanilla, 1/2 C ground flax seed, 1/2 C quick oats, 1/4 C miniature choc chips or cooking M& M's. Roll into balls. Refrigerate a few hours to set. Enjoy with the kiddos over a glass of milk!

reindeer "training"

In this action story, kids pretend they're reindeer & act out words.



The reindeer woke up early, stretching & shaking their heads. They then swept their stalls & put down fresh hay. Prancer was hungry, so 1 of Santa's elves gave some oats & water for breakfast. They chewed their food slowly & carefully.

Dancer decided to have some fun, so he pushed open the door with his head & motioned for everyone to join him.

They all skipped out of the barn into heavy snow. The reindeer ran & hopped 1st on 1 foot, then another, & finally, on all feet. They skipped from pine trees to a stream which they leaped across. Snow was so soft & fluffy, the reindeer sat down & rolled in it. Then they stood up & shook it off. Vixen had an idea. He wanted to play hide & seek. The rest agreed, jumping up & down with excitement. Blitzen was IT, so others ran, crouching down behind snowdrifts & trees.

Suddenly, all stood still. They heard a bell jingle, so they raced back to the barn. Santa's elves lined them up for flight exercises. They stood on hoof tips & stretched to antler tops. They sprang into the air & floated back down. They jumped forward as fast as possible, then backward.

The reindeer stood up straight & started bending at their middle, they touched their hind hooves 10x. The most important exercise was galloping in place to build up leg muscles. Lastly, they stood on hind legs & squatted 5x.

The supper bell rang & the reindeer herded into their stalls for a special delight of pb& cheese, which they chewed slowly & carefully. Tired from training & fun, Santa's deer curled up in soft hay, closed their eyes & went fast to sleep.

Shhhh!

Lastly,

your DCC staff wishes you & your families the merriest holiday season, filled with the wonderment of children!

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