



DCC Newsletter

May: the bridge between spring & oh, so much fun!



Chat & Chew with Your Chums- **FOOD 4 THOUGHT**

THUR, JUN 29TH, 7PM @Overland Park Church of Christ

•LAST nutrition trng this yr • 2 hrs licensing/CACFP credits •FREE • 119th/Pflumm, 13400 W 119th, 66213

Tons of you always enjoy our Home Visitors' fun, annual training. Good nutrition is one of the best ways to support healthy brain development. Learn the importance of dietary fat, ways to maximize brain function & how high fat & sugar foods can influence the brain's reward center. We guarantee you'll gain strategies to encourage positive habits, which promote overall healthy nutrition! And, all with an extra dose of humor! What a super learning event, complete with samples to nibble, door prizes & giggles galore!

• RSVP: marcie@daycareconnection.org or 529-1200

• fire extinguisher checks also this evening, 6-7PM

Welcome these Providers to Our DCC "Family"!

Anissa Dangerfield- Eugene Ware

CPR/1st AID @DCC

SAT, JUN 3, 8:30AM

(RSVP by 5/24)

SAT, JUN 24, 8:30AM

(RSVP by 6/14)

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 (please bring lunch) • non-refundable fee

Calendar Reminders

5/2 open- 8PM, 6:30PM
DVD: "Beyond Grilled Cheese"
5/3 4:30PM, MENUS DUE
5/29 DCC closed
6/2 DCC BEGAN- 1982!
6/3 8:30AM, CPR/1st Aid
6/6 open- 8PM, 6:30PM
DVD: "Here's the Scoop!"
RSVP REQUIRED
6/24 8:30AM, CPR/1st Aid
6/29 7PM, **FOOD 4 THOUGHT** workshop!
6-7PM , fire extinguisher checks



We don't "babysit"!

USDA is an equal opportunity provider.

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WONDERFUL TIME AT DCC'S "BEACH"

• DCC had 3 jam-packed nights of learning at our "Here's the Scoop" beach-themed workshops. We're pleased so many turned out to learn CACFP meal pattern changes.

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"HERE'S THE SCOOP!" TAPED VIEWING

• There are still some who need this. We're offering a taped version @DCC: **Tues, June 6th @6:30PM.** Hurry to sign up as space is very limited.

RSVP REQUIRED

(Call 913-529-1200 or e-mail marcie@daycareconnection.org.)

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EFFECTIVE JUNE 1ST!!

• Remember, your June menus should reflect these menu changes. You get to practice for 4 months with no deductions whatsoever for mistakes.

• Then, October 1st, all caregivers' menus must follow new meal patterns.

Gifts don't have to cost money to be from the heart... especially on Mother's Day.

With your little ones gathered, try talking about ideas they could give as Mother's Day gifts which don't come from a store. Suggest giving simple things; a big hug & kiss, making an original card or doing a special chore. Teach them gifts don't have to cost to be from the heart. Tell them Momma likes these things best.



Cereal Rainbow Craft with Color Matching



Rainbows are a fun way for kids to practice their colors. Use whatever colored cereal you have to make this colorful rainbow!

Draw a rainbow with markers, matching colors of your cereal. You can use a plate to start it, then space other lines to fit approximate size of a Cheerio piece. Have kids match up colors of the Cheerios to rainbow outline. They can put glue on rainbow little by little.

Try not to let them eat any of their artwork. You'd be surprised how this spring activity can keep toddlers/preschoolers engrossed for quite some time!



VISITORS' VIEWS

DCC Home Visitors extend yet, a wonderful reason to be thankful for all of you. We exist because of each & every one of you. The majority of our funding comes from sponsoring CACFP. Every menu we process every month brings us the support to provide all the caregiver services we do.

So, the entire DCC staff is very grateful for all the potential providers you steer our way. Whether it's a neighbor, a church friend, a relative or a complete stranger; the overwhelming calls we get from someone interested in starting family day care comes to us because of YOU!

REFERRALS & YOU

DCC is hearing from some parents a frustrating fact. We give out caregivers' names. Parents call & leave a message. And, then, they NEVER get a response. Even if you're full; please call back as a courtesy. Our reputation is only as good as each day care provider allows us to be. Remember to keep us updated on your openings.

Call (913-529-1200), email marcie@daycareconnection.org or list such on your CACFP Cover Sheet. Thanks for you understanding.

