

DCC Newsletter

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

FROM PACIFIERS TO PULL-UPS

Special 6 hour training: SAT, MAY 4th, 9-2:30PM @OP Church of Christ

• 6 hours licensing/2 hrs CACFP credits • 119/Pflumm, 13400 W 119th, 66213

Your personal invitation will be arriving soon for DCC's NEW spring, 6-hour training! Folks, this fun learning event is full of what you need... useful & interesting info just right for family day care home businesses. Important topics include:



Jordyn Phipps, educator/past provide ~walking you through early childhood development~

"TERRIFIC TYKES AT YOUR TABLE"

Kelly Cahill/Kathy Poulter, DCC Home Visitors ~making the most of mealtimes for your littlest~

"NEW PARENTS: TEACHING 'EM THROUGH THE BACK DOOR"

Valerie Cable, DCC Exec. Director ~learning how to gently train them~

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' box lunch. Space IS limited. You should have gotten your special invitation by now. Make sure to return RSVP form quickly. Plan now to join DCC's provider community with this very enjoyable way to complete your crediting hours!

> fire extinguisher checks, 8-9AM



2 TIPS - "GOT GRIT?!" WORKSHOP

- Our presenter, Rebecca DeYoung Daniels, wanted to correct 2 de-clutter websites she gave.
- ~ decluttr.com
- ~ buynothingproject.org



1 REFLECTION - "GOT **GRIT?!" WORKSHOP**

 She also wanted to pass on: "Please tell your amazing providers that it was truly an honor for me to spend time with them... They deserve more professional recognition

than I can put into words.



FOOD HACK

 Microwaving lemons & other citrus fruits for 15 seconds can double the juice you get from them.

Welcome these **Providers to Our** DCC "Family"!

Erin Gallagher-

CPR/1st AID @DCC

SAT, JUN 29, 8:30AM (RSVP by 6/19) SAT, JLY 20, 8:30AM (RSVP by 7/10) 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

5/3 4:30PM, MENUS DUE 5/4 "FROM **PACIFIERS TO PULL-**UPS" 6-Hr trng 8-9AM, fire extinguishers 5/7 open-8PM, video 6PM "Penny Pinchin' Mom" 5/11 8:30AM, CPR/1st Aid 5/27 DCC closed 6/2 DCC's B'day-opened our doors in 1982!!



We don't "babysit"!

USDA is an equal opportunity provider.

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 truly 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, another 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 monthly brings us the support to provide all our caregiver services.

Needless to say, your 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 a frustrating fact from parents. We give them caregivers' names. Parents then call & leave a message. And, 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, keep us updated on your openings every 30 days. Please don't state you have openings if indeed you don't. List them on CACFP Cover Sheet, call (913-529-1200), or email kay@daycareconnection.org. Thanks for helping.

