



DCC Newsletter

Think **SPRING...** a “gift” our caregiving community needs!

• **NOT JUST BREAD &, A BURP!!**

APR 1st,
Zoom digital recorded link
available for viewing

- (Email with info will be sent to all.)
- 2 hours licensing/food program



Still having trouble trying to figure out basic infant meal patterns vs. parents’ wishes? Do you fully understand the changes USDA made for serving infants, particularly at breakfast?

Still frustrated with just which Whole Grain rich labels count? Guidance sometimes does change. You’ll learn tips to easily figure out if a food item can be counted as Whole Grain rich or not.

We invite you to watch this updated refresher workshop which breaks it all down & makes **SIMPLE** work of it all. Come & see your dear Home Visitors in action.

Plan **TODAY** to come & soak up this valuable info from our very own Home Visitor Educators. The possibility of what you’ll grasp with this training will make your CACFP duties far less complicated. We promise!

NO RSVP needed this time.

Welcome these Providers to Our DCC “Family”!

Kate Rodes- Prairie Cntr

CPR/1st AID @DCC

SAT, MAR 20, 8:30AM

(RSVP by 3/10)

SAT, APR 17, 8:30AM

(RSVP by 4/7)

SAT, MAY 15, 8:30AM

(RSVP by 5/5)

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

Calendar Reminders

3/2 No evening hours
3/3 4:30PM, MENUS DUE
3/20 8:30AM, CPR/1st Aid
4/1 “NOT JUST BREAD & A BURP!” Zoom digital recorded link available for viewing (Email with info will be sent to all.)
4/2 DCC closed-Good Fri



We don’t “babysit”!

USDA/DCC is an equal opportunity provider.

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SPRING BREAK REMINDER: CONTACT DCC IF...

- you’re NOT going to be doing care or NOT going to be home at any time,
kay@daycareconnection.org
 529-1200

2

SPRING BREAK REMINDER: NEW ENROLLMENTS FOR...

- any kids claimed, sibling or otherwise the day they’re 1st in your care... NOT at end of month

3

SPRING BREAK REMINDER: GET KIDDOS OUTSIDE ANY WAY YOU CAN...

- clear away dead leaves, play hide & seek, dig in the sand, walk around the block, smell the fresh air

Ah, the pure JOY!

It's Time to Celebrate!



CACFP Week: March 14-20th

CACFP Week is a national education & information campaign sponsored annually by the National CACFP Sponsors Assn. It's designed to raise awareness of how this USDA program works to combat hunger, as well as bringing healthy foods to tables across the country for kids in homes, centers & afterschool programs, & for adults in day care. It's interesting to note your participation in DCC's food program helps serve nutritious food to nearly 3,000 little ones! You ARE important in their current lives & future health!

On-Line Trainings from KS Dept of Education

Their training portal contains free courses creditable for licensing & food program hours. Create account here: <https://learning.ksde.org/login/index.php>. Once registered, open Child Nutrition & Wellness/CACFP categories. Approved courses are: *Growing Healthier Futures with CACFP*, *Smarter Mealtimes*, *CACFP Child & Adult Meal Pattern*, *Feeding Infants in CACFP*, *CACFP Family Style Meal Service*, *Intro to CACFP*, *Grains 101*. List will grow & change. You must use our name Day Care Connection & our sponsor number #PO132 along with your name to register. Courses can be taken any time. Attendance Certificates will be sent to you. Then, please send us a copy for your nutrition credits.

VISITORS' VIEWS



DCC Home Visitors repeatedly say what a fabulous bunch of providers we have in our DCC family! Yes, there are times they hear a bit of negative rumbling when check notes arrive. DCC must send these for ALL corrections. It's part of our required-USDA role as a food program sponsor. We realize it's easy to slip every now & then. No one is perfect & nearly every caregiver has gotten a note on something. So... don't feel singled out. Remind yourself the entire program is based on nutrition "education", NOT nutrition "perfection". So, give yourselves a hug for a job truly well done!

REFERRALS & YOU

Ever wonder why more parents don't contact you? Well, be honest with yourself. Do you often screen calls or let your recorded message play "secretary"? It's important to understand potential customers don't always like to leave a message. They simply move on down a list to the next available name. Most of our caregivers who are regularly kept full are easily contacted via telephone. So, think about it. Are you sure you want to screen all those calls? Lastly, be sure DCC does have your cell number.



Fingers Are Crossed

Fingers are crossed that we'll actually be able to have 1 of our popular 6-hour LIVE trainings by 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!