



DCC Newsletter

Fill your holidays with the wonderment of children!

You're warmly invited to DCC's- HOLIDAY FOODS AROUND THE WORLD

masks-all events please

THUR, DEC 2nd, 7PM @OP Church of Christ

• 2 hrs licensing/CACFP credits • FREE • 119/Pflumm, (13400 W 119th 66213)

Explore fun holiday food traditions around the world to incorporate into your care. Cultural activities/recipes will be given. And, we're doing something different this year. **PLEASE eat dinner before you come BUT bring 1 doz of your favorite cookies or candies to share, (INDIVIDUALLY wrapped).** Each person will then pick 12 other goodies to take home... Covid-apprv'd!

To be charitable this time of year, please bring dried food item (no cans) to donate & remember an exchange gift (\$5 limit). Enjoy treats, healthy tips, gifts (thanks to Debbie Cain) AND MUCH holiday mirth.

This is the 1 that's so very joyful! Join DCC staff & fellow caregivers as we traditionally ring in this joyous time together. Come on & catch the spirit of the season!

RSVP: valerie@daycareconnection.org or 529-1200



Welcome these Providers to Our DCC "Family"!

Olisha Cheatom- Hazel Grove

CPR/1st AID @DCC

NONE - in DEC, NEXT:

SAT, JAN 22, 8:30AM
(RSVP by 1/12)



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 hours licensing credit • non-refundable fee • wear masks

Calendar Reminders

12/2 PROVIDER HOLIDAY TRNG/PARTY!

12/3 MENUS DUE!

12/7 NO evening hours or video training

12/23 - 12/31 DCC closed

1/4 open-8PM, video_6PM:

"Just the Facts: Food Safety, Muffins, Yeast Breads, Microwaves, Knives"



We don't "babysit"!

USDA is an equal opportunity provider.

-DCC is committed to making workshops available to all. Locations are handicap-accessible. Please contact us 2 weeks before event for any needed assistance.-

menu rules you must follow

DCC Staff sees these 4 provider errors MOST when processing menu claims or doing Home Visits. Please make sure these don't include you.

- 1) Infants cannot have **ANY** grain or bread items listed at breakfasts or lunches.
- 2) Infants cannot have the word "**SAME**" written on menus.
- 3) Whole-Grain "WG" items must have a proper **LABEL** to support marking it "WG".
- 4) The **SPECIFIC** kind of cereal served must be recorded, not just the letters: "WG".



*IMPORTANT THINGS TO RETAIN

- There seems to be a continuing problem which causes more work for us. Many providers are NOT recording children's ages on their Attendance Roster. **PLEASE, write these ages down before turning in your menu claims.**
- If any child is claimed on menus but has **NO Enrollment Form on file by menus-due time**; then DCC is required to deduct child/ren.

OUR WISH...




~ The entire DCC Staff wishes you a joyous holiday season filled with a faithful hope for peace in your home AND in this world.

WG SPOTLIGHT--A CLOSER LOOK EACH MONTH

DCC Visits wants to shine a light on this sometimes-confusing CACFP regulation. Each month we'll look at some basics to make it all simple & easier to understand.

CHOICES TO TRY:

Staff is often asked: "just what are some examples of Whole Grain (WG) items I can serve?"

-  Aldi's (Fit & Active) WG Waffles is a tasty choice for your kiddos ! Nice to have a warm breakfast on cold mornings!
-  Target's (Good & Gather) has a 100% Whole Wheat Spaghetti that children really slurp up! Get a box today.
-  Looking for a WG-appr'd snack? Well, look no further than good old, Pepperidge Farm Baked WG Goldfish Crackers. They're great with cut up fruit for a nutritious snack!

Your Home Visitor brought out a superb Crediting Foods guide. Keep referring to page 81 for any questions.

REFERRALS & YOU



DCC knows many of you have parents contact you by phone or internet seeking child care. If this happens, PLEASE instead have them call Day Care Connection @913-529-1200. Our licensed Resource & Referral Dept is totally supported by parents who use us, NOT providers we list as having openings. DCC does specific searches only for those who need help. We urge you to keep this important service intact by having them call us instead of patch-working between various providers. This way, all who have slots to fill are appropriately matched to parents' specific needs, & all populations get served.



DCC's 2022 new (FREE) calendar for caregivers

We're excited to offer you our new provider calendar, CIRCUS ACTS: LESSONS FOR LIFE. It's your #1 source for a superb nutrition calendar & recordkeeping system! Included are: Monthly Activities & Matching CACFP Best Practices with creditable recipes crafts & activities + a wonderful method to keep business expenses & income for easy end-of-the-year tax preparation. You'll have a complete CACFP resource guide for all your family

day care business needs in 2020!

Get yours from your Home Visitor or stop by DCC soon & grab one. (DCC can't mail these any more...just too heavy & costly.)