



DCC Newsletter

Open hearts... open hands... for our caregiving community!

RECORDKEEPING FOR TAXES (Zoom)

TUES, FEB 1st, 7PM

• 2 hrs licensing • Zoom call addy forthcoming

Tax time will be here all too soon. Join Janice Klimek, CPA, (college accounting professor, tax business owner) for our annual provider seminar. She'll give the basics + any NEW Covid info now applicable to caregivers & grants. Plan now to attend this on-line training whether it's your 1st time filing family day care taxes or just for a refresher.

To RSVP, please contact DCC 1st: kay@daycareconnection.org or 913-529-1200. We'll send you a notice with exact Zoom addy before training.



DCC's Training in Near Future: Amidst Covid

Many of you have either become ill yourself or been exposed to this horrible pandemic. It has continually put all of your lives on hold. And, DCC is no different. We plan events only to get them cancelled.

We switch preferred live presentations to non-physically interactive on-line formats. As this newsletter is being created, we have 4 future workshops still up in the air as to dates, locations & feasibility.

WE KNOW you want them. WE KNOW you need them.

Trust that we're working as hard as we can to announce all & unfold our schedule soon.

A FAVOR-

Please do office staff a favor. It's perfectly acceptable to turn in your Enrollment Forms by email. However, do note they **don't also have to be mailed**. It's just more info for us to look through, which we previously recorded. MANY thanks.

CPR/1st AID @DCC

SAT, FEB 19, 8:30AM

(RSVP by 2/9)

SAT, MAR 26, 8:30AM

(RSVP by 3/16)

SAT, APR 9th, 8:30AM

(RSVP by 3/30)

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 • wear masks

Calendar Reminders

2/1 TAXES (Zoom) 7PM

2/3 4:30PM, MENUS DUE

2/19 8:30AM, CPR/1stAid

2/21 DCC closed



We don't "babysit"!

USDA is an equal opportunity provider. DCC is committed to making workshop activities available to all. Locations are handicap-accessible. Please contact us 2 weeks prior to events for special assistance.

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DCC'S 2022 ACTIVITY & RECORD KEEPING CALENDAR

- complete resource guide for family day care tax & business needs
- excellent system to track financial records
 - wonderful learning activities
 - super recipes

(DCC is giving these "presents" out on Home Visits.)

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TOM COPELAND'S TAX WORKBOOK & ORGANIZER

- new format carrying wealth of info from THE "Tax Guru" of our family day care industry

Get from: redleafpress.org

(Be sure to give parents your Tax ID # or Social Security # for tax records. It's the law!)

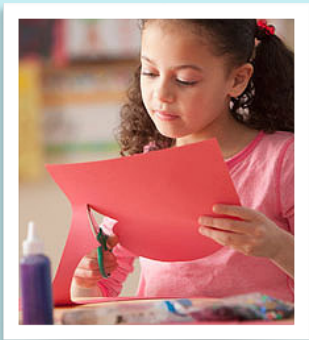
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REMINDE PARENTS OF THE US EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT

- special tax benefit for working parents who earn below a certain amount
- if qualified, they owe less in taxes & may get cash back

call IRS: 800-829-1040

VISITORS' VIEWS



DCC Home Visitors have kept you aware of any slight tweaks of existing food program rules. These all help to maintain the integrity for future funding decisions! So, please... please, make sure to:

- fill in your Menus & Daily Attendance Roster completely every day. It's amazing to our staff how many times haste costs caregivers \$\$.
- e-mail or call if you're not going to do care before the day begins, NOT written on Cover Sheet after the fact. This is a required USDA mandate many forget.
- get your required 2 hours, annual nutrition training done by summer's end. We truly make ALL our trainings interesting AND fun, + it's very easy to have this be part of your licensing requirement.

Try an adorable Celery Heart-Shaped

Valentine-easy for all ages!

Homemade Valentines are the best! But they can be quite time-consuming. This is a quick & simple way to make really cute ones which appeal to all ages!



Cut celery stalks. They look just like hearts!
Dip those into paint & stamp them all over on any kind of paper.



Older kids can write a poem such as:

*Roses are red, Violets are blue,
I'm so lucky to be friends with you!*

Then, cover the poem with celery heart stamps.



For younger ones you can write something to give to parents & have them stamp all over the paper. Fold & put into decorated envelope, & voila!



You have a handmade, heart-touching Valentine, made from your loving home day care business!

WG SPOTLIGHT--A CLOSER LOOK

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

CHOICES TO TRY:

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

-  Eggo Thick & Fluffy Whole Grain Waffles are great to serve as a warm breakfast on the cold mornings we've been experiencing!!!
-  Sam's Whole Wheat Greek Style Pita has a 100% Whole Grain Bread with 40 grams per serving. Try something different. Stuff chicken salad inside, spread out a blanket, have different veggies, serve on paper plates & have a winter picnic.

-Keep referring to page 81 of your Crediting Foods Guide for any questions.