

DCC Newsletter



August... warm, & oh so wishful, for a better fall ahead

LIFE WITH LITTLE ONES CAN BE A PICNIC...

BUT... NOT ALWAYS!

SAT, OCT 9th, 8:30-3PM @OP Church of Christ (119/Pflumm)

- 6 hours licensing, including Health & Safety/2 hours CACFP credits
- prizes
- fire extinguisher checks
- giggles galore!

FINALLY! Your personal invitation will be arriving soon for DCC's NEW, 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.

Relevant topics include:



Take Time for Food Safety

Cindy Johnson, KSDE Trainer
~learn current childhood dangers

Dealing with the Stressed-Out Child

Kimberly Levitan, Playful Solutions Therapist
~identifying & mastering their anxiety

I Smell Something Burning: Is It Me?!

Beth Reeder, Providers' Motivational Speaker
~can you spell "burnt-out"

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' lunch.

Space IS limited. Your special invitation & return RSVP form will be mailed after Sept 1st. Do return it quickly. Plan now to join DCC's provider community with this very enjoyable way to complete your crediting hour specifics!

Welcome these Providers to Our DCC "Family"!

Dawn Chapman-	Gardner
Jessica Combs-	Fontenac
Kim Cowlshaw-	Ft Scott
Ashley Kobe-	Osawatomie
Andi Marcum	Ft Scott

CPR/1st AID @DCC



SAT, Aug 21, 8:30AM

(RSVP by 8/11)

SAT, Sep 11, 8:30AM

(RSVP by 9/1)

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

8/3 open-8PM, video
6PM: "Food Science: Bread, Cereal, Choc, Corn"

8/4 4:30PM, MENUS DUE

8/21 8:30AM, CPR/1st Aid

9/3 4:30PM, MENUS DUE

9/6 Labor Day-DCC closed

9/7 open-8PM, video
6PM: "Food Science: Eggs, Hamb, Ice Cream, Ketchup"



We don't "babysit"!
DCC is an equal opportunity provider.

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IMPORTANT-PROVIDER VACATIONS

- Whenever you're closed, USDA requires you tell DCC prior to being off, NOT to list it on a Cover Sheet, after the fact. Please tell us by phone or email beforehand.

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IMPORTANT-MENUS SENT BY COMPUTER

- DCC office staff kindly requests you put YOUR LAST name on the subject line of email, containing your menus. It sure helps us when looking for each person's documents.

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IMPORTANT-ENROLLMENT FORMS

- The BEST practice to get these done timely is to NOT let them leave your home. Have parents sign them the 1st day in care, at your kitchen table. Sure saves stress in getting in on time.

VISITORS' VIEWS

A while ago, the agency addresses for your Home



simplified all DCC Staff emails. PLEASE use the following Visitor/Trainer. We ask you no longer use their personal ones.

Kelly Cahill- kelly@daycreconnection.org

Kathy Poulter- kathy@daycreconnection.org

Nancy Webb- nancy@daycreconnection.org

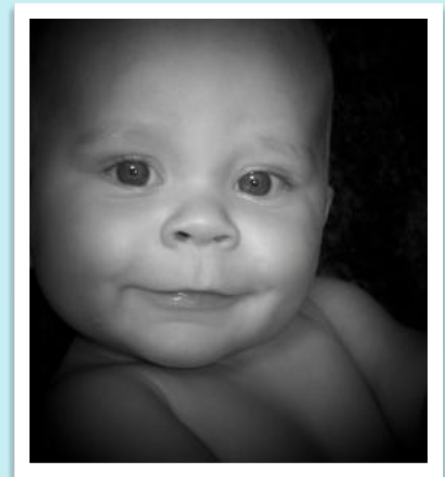
Use these addresses to ask nutrition questions, for program clarifications & child eating behavior issues. (If you're an Apple-user, feel free to text also.) If you want to sign up for trainings, need forms, want to update your referral status, have vacation dates to submit or for any other questions about Child & Adult Care Food Program, your office staff is here to help you in all other ways: Data Mgr: Kay Rhodelander- kay@daycareconnection.org or Exec. Director: Valerie Cable- valerie@daycareconnection.org. We ALL care about your success!

REFERRALS & YOU

Do carefully read & analyze DCC's new 2021 annual Survey of Family Day Care Rates coming to you SOON (along with our DCC Workshop Presentation Calendar Magnet)! Yes, it was a weird year; & there are changes to review.

When you get it, check to see if you're in line with others in your school attendance area. Is it time to adjust your rates? Most changes happen at the beginning of school year or calendar year & average \$5-10/week.

Our Referral Dept has noticed MANY areas are **totally underserved for infants**. Call 529-1200, or e-mail kay@daycareconnection.org if you can possibly add love for this littlest age group in your family day care setting.






WG SPOTLIGHT--A CLOSER LOOK EACH MONTH

DCC 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 has a great whole grain tortilla to try with the kids. Whole wheat flour is the 1st & only grain ingredient so this is 1 choice you definitely can't go wrong with!
- Cheez-Its are made with whole wheat flour & kids love them! Try this for snack!
- As you know, Cream of Wheat (& similar products) must be Whole Grain or Enriched to count on your menus. When recording, please specify by writing WG Cream of Wheat or Enriched Cream of Wheat.

Your Home Visitor is bringing out a new superb Crediting Foods guide. Refer to page 81 after getting yours.