



LSU

Finance and Administrative Services
Child Care Center

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The vision of the LSU Child Care Center is to become a leading model of exemplary quality in early care and education by functioning as a support mechanism for families of the LSU Community and a focal point of excellence to agencies and organizations throughout the state and nation. By providing quality service, we will be recognized as a recruitment tool for students, faculty and staff thus supporting the positive growth at LSU.



Director's Corner



Dear Parents,

Our school year will come to an end on August 6th. The Center will be closed on Friday August 7, 2009 for Staff Training, and the new school year will begin on Monday, August 10, 2009. The teachers will be busy preparing their classrooms for the children.

As new classrooms are formed there will be a need for room parents and new PAC representatives. If you are interested in helping the classroom or Child Care Center in any way, please see your classroom teacher or leave your name and e-mail address with Ms. Norma at the front desk. We appreciate all of your help and support making the 2008-2009 school year a success.

Michelle DeMeulenaere
Center Director

Come Join the PAC

The Parent Advisory Committee also known as the PAC will hold it's first meeting on Tuesday, September 1, 2009 at 4:30 in the Multipurpose room at the center.

All parents are welcome to attend.

The purpose of this committee is to facilitate communication between families and the administration in an on-going effort to support the quality of care provided.

This is a great opportunity to become more involved in the center and meet other families enrolled.

New Tuition Rates for the 2009-2010 School Year Effective August 1, 2009

\$595.00 - This rate is available to only full-time LSU Students, verified each semester. Tuition will be charged by the semester to the fee bill. All students must apply and be approved to receive this rate. Applications are available at the front desk.

\$695.00 - This rate is available to the remaining student families (part-time LSU students) verified each semester and will be charged to the fee bill. This rate level will also be available to current LSU staff and faculty families that elect to have childcare tuition paid by payroll deduction. The Fee bill/Payroll deduction forms are available at the front desk.

\$735.00 - This rate will apply to LSU Alumni or Secondary Affiliated families, and those LSU student, staff, and/or faculty families who chose not to have childcare tuition charged to the fee bill or by payroll deduction.

\$745.00 - Community Rate

The Annual Registration Fee of \$150.00 will be due by August 3, 2009, and every August thereafter.

August Weekly Themes

August 10th-14th—My School/ My Classroom

August 17th-21st—My Friends

August 24th—28th—My Family

August 31st -September 4th—My Home



Important Safety Information

For the safety of the children please do not leave medication, lotion, sunscreen or anything that has on the label "Keep out of reach of children", in your child's cubby, diaper bag or book sack.

LSU Mental Health Moment

One of the greatest challenges for both families and teachers is a young child's successful transition to a new classroom or a brand new school experience. To become more sensitive to the needs of children, transition activities such as open houses or parents and children visiting the new classroom prior to attending are common experiences. Children need emotional and physical preparation in order to effectively manage the transition. Home is where the preparation starts. Ensure that your child has a predictable routine every day as this promotes stability for your child and provides the comfort and boundaries that each child craves. Parents are also encouraged to speak enthusiastically about the new setting, and to listen attentively to the child's concerns or fears. Be aware too that if a parent is fearful about the transition, so too will be the child. Frequently visit with your child's new teacher along with your child so that your child will see your trust in the teacher. Your communication with the teacher will show your child that she or he can also be comfortable with that individual.

Despite all the planning, some children still have difficulty separating from parents when they join a new classroom or school setting. Creating a personalized story book about a child's routine at the new school or classroom can provide assistance to any child who needs help in the transition process. Take digital pictures of the child entering the classroom, saying good-bye to the parent, and then participating in the daily activities. Include meal times and rest, as well as departure when the child greets the parent again. Read the book daily with your child to help normalize your child's experience. This visual reminder will help your child manage anxiety and can lead to a faster integration into the new classroom environment.

*Jane Freudenberger, Mental Health Consultant
Family Services of Greater Baton Rouge*



Congratulations LSU Child Care Center Preschoolers!!

The LSU Child Care Center will hold it's closing ceremony and celebration on Tuesday night, August for our four and five year old preschool classes. The Bear's classroom, Ladybug classroom, Frogs classroom and Koala's classroom have prepared a short program for their parents. Many of these children have been with the same teachers for two-five years. We at the LSU Child Care Center are very proud of each and every child. They are bright, intelligent, loving, and outgoing children. We look forward to their successes and accomplishments in the years to come.



LSU CCC Contact Information

Front Desk	578-7882		
Alligators	578-4851	Bears	578-4825
Bluebirds	578-4819	Butterflies	578-4819
Bumblebees	578-4888	Chicks	578-4886
Dolphins	578-4881	Ducks	578-4888
Giraffes	578-4883	Kangaroos	578-4883
Kittens	578-4881	Pandas	578-4855
Penguins	578-4851	Puppies	578-4883
Tigers	578-4825		