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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,

I would like to welcome all of our new families and friends to the LSU Child Care Center. We are extremely excited about this school year! The LSU CCC has several exciting activities planned this fall. I encourage each of you to look at the calendar and join us for the many events scheduled. We have Grandparents Day and Open House, a book fair, and the 2nd Annual Tiny Tiger Homecoming Parade. Please feel free to ask any questions and offer any feedback as our doors are always open. We look forward to a great fall!

Michelle DeMeulenaere
Center Director

FACILITIES UPDATE

The teachers work day was a great success. Their time was spent training to prepare classrooms for the new school year. The LSU CCC looks fabulous and as always, thank you teachers for all you do!



PAC NEWS

Attention all parents: The Parent Advisory Committee meetings are open to ALL parents.

- Our first PAC meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 1st, at 4:30 in the Multi-purpose room.
- Volunteers are needed for the book fair September 14th-18th from 3:30-5:00. Please sign up at the front desk.
- Please check the parent board in the front lobby for future meeting dates and times.

What's on the Agenda this Month?



Calling all Preschool Parents -

On Wednesday, September 9th at 4:00 pm Mrs. Dorothy Rumpfellow, principal of the University Laboratory School will be speaking about Kindergarten readiness. Please join us in the multi-purpose room for this very informative meeting.

Grandparents Day & Open House

Our annual Grandparents day and Open house is scheduled on Thursday, September 17th from 3:30-4:30. Children may invite their Grandparents and families to visit the Center to meet their children's teachers and friends. Invitations are available at the front desk. Once again, we hope to see you there!

Book Fair

The annual book fair is scheduled September 14th-18th from 3:00pm until 5:00pm daily in the multi-purpose room. There will be a large assortment of children's books available. This is a great opportunity to help fill classroom reading wish lists.

The LSU Child Care Center Hours of Operation are 7:15 -5:15

Please note that a late fee will be assessed to any child remaining in the center after 5:15. Many of our teachers have evening classes or children that also need to be picked up from after school care. Thank you for your assistance.

2010 CACFP Form

Attached to this newsletter is the annual Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) Free and Reduced Price Meal Application for the 2010 new program year. This form needs to be returned to the center for ALL enrolled children, regardless of the family's qualification status. Please see the front desk with any questions.

LSU Child Care Center will be closed the following dates:

Monday, September 7, 2009—Labor Day
Friday, October 2, 2009—Staff In-service

Swine Flu (H1N1) Update



With the H1N1 flu at our doorstep, it is very important that we take every precaution to keep our children, staff and families well. The main way that the influenza viruses are spread is from person to person.

In order to prevent the spread of the flu or any other illness, children that have fever and respiratory symptoms, such as cough and runny nose, should immediately contact their health care provider. The health care provider will determine whether influenza testing is needed. Children with these symptoms should remain isolated and away from other children until they are free of all symptoms. Using the NAEYC guidelines, the decision for keeping the child home or for the LSU Child Care Center to send the child home is based on “the comfort of the ill child, the protection of well children and staff”. Please call the center if your child remains home due to illness.

A physicians note stating “the child is no longer contagious and able to participate in group child care” will be required up their return to the Center.

Parents with flu-like symptoms should not enter the Center. If you need assistance in dropping off and picking your child up, please call the front desk and we will assist you.

As always, we are sanitizing and disinfecting all surfaces, toys and play areas. We are vigorously washing hands throughout the day and would encourage parents to wash their hands upon arrival and departure from the Center. We will continue to monitor this situation closely and immediately inform you of any exposure to this virus. Attached this newsletter is the most current flu guide provided by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention.

The Parenting Corner

The University Laboratory School will be presenting a workshop for parents on how to work with young children to enhance their literacy/beginning reading skills.

Date: October 15, 2009

Time: 11:30 am

Place: The University Laboratory School Auditorium

Did You Know...

The Louisiana Department of Social Services Office of Family Support offers a program to assist qualifying families with child care costs. For more information on The Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) please call 1-888-LAHELPU (1-888-524-3578) or visit: www.dss.state.la.us and select Parenting on the left of the screen.

Welcome Friends



LSU CCC Contact Information

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	Front Desk	578-7882

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