

WCEC Newsletter

Education & Care

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If you don't have a 7D license we can help you obtain one.

Home Based Child Care Providers:

WCEC is looking to independent Family Child Care Providers. This is a great opportunity to work from home! We can assist you through the process of obtaining your State license. Call for details.

Toddler and Preschool Teachers - Full Time:

Our center based programs are looking for Toddler and Preschool Teachers. Requirements: EEC Teacher qualified and looking forward to further education.

Home Based Child Care Home Visitor - Full Time:

To work as a member of our team assisting providers in our Worcester Home Based Child Care System.

Requirements: EEC Lead Teacher qualified.

School-Age Group Leader:

Requirements: 9 Months experience working with School Age children.



Requirements:

Desire to make a positive difference in the lives of the children we serve.

Benefits:

Vacation, Sick time, 401K, Long Term Disability, and Health and Dental insurance.

Excellent team focused working environment.

Please Call: 508-852-3792 Ext. 109

Thank you for your Patronage & Support!

PROGRAM NEWS

GBV Preschool

& Constitution Preschool

Summer is finally here! We are so glad the weather has been good. You may have noticed that one of our playgrounds is under repairs. We have contracted the services of a company to come in and change the surface of the playground to provide a safer and better aesthetic look to the surface. We have been using the other playground to continue to provide your child with the necessary and beneficial gross motor activities they need to continue to grow physically strong. If your child will be going to kindergarten this upcoming school year please remem-

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ber to contact the parent information center (address and number in Parent Resources section of this newsletter). Every year, WCEC celebrates the transition of children from preschool to kindergarten, please join us on Friday, August 4, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. to celebrate and motivate the children entering the school system. As part of the STEM curriculum we provide, children will have the opportunity to experience watching the caterpillar to chrysalis and to butterfly metamorphosis. This will surely be a very exciting experience for the children and staff alike.

School Age Program

We are excited that school is out and summer is here. We are on our way to providing your child with a great number of life enhancing experiences. To have a safe and happy summer there are a few items that we request for the children to bring in with them. A backpack, a change of clothes that you do not mind getting wet or messy, a pair of water shoes to be

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changed into when in water related activities, a towel (if necessary), sun-screen, and sunscreen permission slip. Please put your child's name on your child's items, this will help us identify them. Please feel free to explore our information table for all the exciting information as we make our way through the summer weeks. Happy summer!

Home Based Child Care

As part of a fun and educational experience for children, providers are providing children with cooking lessons. WHAT? Well, your child will not be at the stove if that's what you are thinking, but yes, providers do take the meal preparation opportunity to expose children to activities that promote a dialogue for open end-

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ed questions, discover names of different ingredients, measurements, pouring and stirring. To try this and other alike activities at home please visit any of these 2 websites:

www.toddlerexpress.com www.inspirationformoms.com

Teen Care Program

Patricia Diaz, Program Director (508) 799-3322 Burncoat, (508) 792-5916 South

Another school year has gone by and in May, the Teen Care Program was fortunate to see 8 students graduate from high school. What an excitement to watch these hard working and dedicated teen parents walk across the stage to receive their high school diplomas.

Thank you to Gretta Bajrami and her husband Freddy Campoverde who own Golden Group Construction Corporation for their generous donation to the Burncoat Teen Care Program. As former participants of the teen program they have overcome many obstacles however, their hard work and determination have driven

them forward to accomplish a lifelong dream of opening and owning a business. We wish them much continued success.

With the help of the Greater Worcester Community Foundation (GWCF), every year WCEC makes available a summer session for teen parents who would like to remain connected to peers and experience opportunities such as college visits, and parent/child bonding activities. We invite you to join us! Summer session is now open to any teen parent who would like to participate.

We wish everyone a wonderful summer.

Up Coming Events:

WCEC will be closed on the following days:

- ✓ July 4 Independence Day
- ✓ August 25 Prof. Development
- ✓ September 4 Labor Day
- ✓ October 6 QRIS Training Day
- ✓ October 9 Columbus Day



Friday, August 4, 2017 11:00 a.m. Preschool Graduation

Parent Resources:

- Child Care Resources 799 W. Boylston St., (508) 796-1829
- Dept. Children & Families, 121 Providence St., (508) 929-2000
- Dept. Early Education & Care (617) 988-6600, mass.gov/eec
- Dept. Transitional Assistance & Supplemental Nutrition Asst.
 9 Walnut St., (508) 767-3100
- Edward Kennedy Community Health Center, 19 Tacoma St., (508) 852-1805
- Family Services of Central Mass 31 Harvard St., www.fscm.org (508) 756-4646
- Fuel Assistance, WCAC Denholm Bldg., 484 Main St. (508) 754-1176
- GBV Food Pantry 176 Tacoma St., (508) 852-8944
- Pernet Family Health Services 237 Millbury St., (508) 755-1228
- WIC Program, 19 Tacoma St., (508) 853-2904
- Worcester Housing Authority
 40 Belmont St., (508) 635-3000
- Worcester Public Schools
 20 Irving St., (508) 799-3020
- WPS Parent Information Ctr. 768 Main St., (508) 799-3194