

A Child's Garden Learning Center Newsletter

After School Kids Schedule



The After School kids summer camp schedule got messed up right off the bat because of rain, illness and over booking! I am sorry about that, but hopefully we will be back on track now and all will be well. Our annual Camp out day is this coming Friday, June 17. All after school children that attend must be at the center by 9. They will return by 4:30. Be sure to visit with your child's teacher for what they need to bring. If your child has a tent, sleeping back, chair, hammock... they are welcome to bring it. Sunscreen is a must and they will need to have their summer shirts on to attend. We always wear the shirts for safety so it is a must for them to wear them.

Welcome



We have a lot of new people joining our center for the summer. Some of returning after a year of being in school and some are here for the first time. We are excited to see new faces and enjoy getting to know all the new kids and their families. It takes Raven longer with names but don't let it upset you, she knows your kids names! Our waiting list has bumped back up to over 200. Child care is hard to find, but we hope we meet your expectations and you are happy here.

Look what we get to do!?

Extreme Animals will be coming to the center tomorrow! We are excited to see, pet and hold the animals we don't get to see every day: like a baby kangaroo and a Lemur! There will also be a small crocodile we get to hold and there will be an albino snake. Kids get to hold and pet whatever they want, but are not required to participate. The kids love this. Its like the zoo coming to them! Watch for pictures on our Facebook page!



New Faces

We have hired 5 girls... all part timers, all young and all capable of improving our center and giving our lead teachers a much needed and well deserved break. We are asking for patients and understanding as we train these ladies. You can help us by checking diapers at the door and allowing them to change them before you leave. No child should come to the center with dirty pants and they shouldn't go home with dirty pants. We are still looking for two Lead or Master teachers for the 2 year old classrooms so if you know anyone looking for a job... (preferably with experience) send them this way.

We close at 6:00. Late fees are \$3 per minute per child and if it becomes a habit we can no longer offer care for your child. Please be mindful of the time.

Some things we are doing while you are at work





Up coming days we will be closed are: July 4th and Labor Day

Congratulations Ms. Jessica



I hired Ms. Jessica at 18 years old. She started as a relief teacher and within days she was handed the 2 year old caterpillar class with little to no experience. She worked in that same room for 6 years then asked to be moved to the 3 year old room and has been our bumble bee teacher for 2 years. In the 8 years of employment, Jessica has been a blessing to the center, the families and all the young lives she has touched. I can't even begin to tell you how many kids she has potty trained, but it's probably near 100.

Ms. Jessica started taking CDA classes in 2019 right before Covid hit. What was suppose to be a 6 month course quickly turned into a 2 1/2 year ordeal! A couple of weeks ago she took her written test and today she had an observer come watch her work. Although it isn't finalized.... her observer told her she was amazing at teaching and she should invest in more education and make this her true profession. She also assured her she should consider herself a Master Teacher! Master Teachers make more money and that is a big deal in the childcare world!

So if you see her in the mornings or around the facility... congratulate her on becoming a Master Teacher!

Changing our Star Status



DHS just launched a new stars program called QRIS (Quality Rating Improvement System). This system provides a frame work of building strong early care and education programs. it has 5 levels of quality that programs can receive. We will be going for a 5 star status so that means Raven will be very busy for the next few months gather all the information needed, getting documents ready and buy new things. We hope you will enjoy the idea of your children attending a 5 star center! We work very hard to keep your business and we want the best for the children we care for!