

The Family Resource Center



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Child Care Projects Update - March-April, 2009

EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION PROJECTS

These projects provide services to family child care programs, centers, and preschools. Child care consultants and evaluators educate and assist providers in meeting state guidelines, implementing sound business practices, and creating safe, stimulating environments.

The projects are funded by the following Empowerment Areas:

Linking Families and Communities in Calhoun, Pocahontas, and Webster Counties

Partnerships 4 Families in Audubon, Carroll, Greene, and Guthrie Counties.

Building Families in Hamilton, Humboldt, and Wright Counties.

IPTV Book Club

Plan to attend all sessions.

Location: Family Resource Center, Carroll, IA

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Cost: No charge

Contact: Connie at 1-800-999-5101 or 712-792-6440

Dates/Title:

March 14 - ABC's

April 18 - Environment

Free Books At Each Session

2009 Calendar Keepers

Our supply of 2009 Calendar Keepers is gone.

You can order a 2009 Calendar Keeper from Red Leaf Press by calling 1-800-423-8309 or go to www.RedleafPress.org and click on the little calendar keeper symbol on the right hand side of the page. The cost is \$15.95 plus shipping.

New Online Training Opportunity

The Department of Human Services recently approved online training from *Eager To Learn* to meet child care training requirements in Iowa. *Eager-to-Learn* is an innovative, community based, online program of the Minnesota Child Care Resource & Referral Network. Since the courses are designed in a multi-week, standard class format utilizing message board discussions and weekly live chat discussions, **they count as training in a sponsored group setting.** Each week of the class will cover a lesson that includes selected readings that expand on and enhance the lesson, message board questions, live chat discussions and a wrap up email reflection. The *Eager-to-Learn* class format allows students to get an in-depth learning experience by fostering dialogue and relationship-building between instructor to student and student to student. Fees vary by class length. The fee for an 8 hour, 3 week course is \$30. For more information go to www.eagertolearn.org.



Linking Families and Communities

Calhoun, Pocahontas & Webster Counties

Class	Date	Time	Location	Cost	Registration Info.
Provider Support Group	2/23	6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.	Webster County ISU Extension Office	Free	Call Rachel or Tami to register 515-576-4088
CPR/First Aid	3/2	6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.	Webster County Health Department	\$35.00 both or \$30.00 one	Call Trisha Nichols 515-573-4107
Creative Curriculum For Infants, Toddlers, Twos	3/4, 3/18	6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Fort Dodge Upper Des Moines	\$5.00	Mail Registration to Graettinger
Welcome to Child Care	3/5, 3/12, 3/19, 3/26, 4/2	6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.	Iowa Central Community College Fort Dodge	\$10.00	Mail Registration to Graettinger
Business Basics	3/9, 3/16, 3/23	6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.	Upper Des Moines Fort Dodge	\$10.00	Mail registration to Graettinger
Universal Precautions & Mandatory Reporter Training	3/26	See registration information.	See registration information.	\$5.00	Call Graettinger 1-800-245-6151 for time, location, and to register.
Creative Curriculum For Infants, Toddlers, Twos	4/1, 4/22	6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Fort Dodge Upper Des Moines	\$5.00	Mail Registration to Graettinger
New Provider Orientation	4/15	6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.	Upper Des Moines Fort Dodge	\$5.00	Mail registration to Graettinger

Linking Families and Communities Survey

Linking Families and Communities is beginning the process of assessing child, family and community needs as well as updating its strategic plan. The plan is used as a tool that guides the decisions of the Linking Families and Communities Board and is also shared with other stakeholders. Linking Families and Communities will be surveying different segments of the community from parents to employers. Currently, we are surveying home child care providers (including registered, non-registered and family, friend and neighbor care providers). Please take a few minutes to complete our survey by going to www.linking-families.com and clicking on "Community Surveys" or through this direct link: http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=y1t7d_2fpVTadJAthDC5TLRQ_3d_3d.

Product Recalls



You can find information on product recalls on the Consumer Safety Commission's website at <http://www.cpsc.gov>. Also visit <http://www.idph.state.ia.us/hcci/recalls.asp> for accurate recall information.



Building Families Hamilton, Humboldt, and Wright Counties

Class	Date	Time	Location	Cost	Registration Info.
Art Appreciation 101 for Young Children	3/26	6:15 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.	ISU Extension	\$5.00	Hamilton Co.-832-9597 Humboldt Co.-332-2201 Wright Co.-532-3453
Universal Precautions Mandatory Reporter Training	3/26	6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.	Humboldt Library Webster City location TBD	\$5.00	Mail to Graettinger CCR & R
Sparking Kids' Curiosity	5/14	6:15 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.	ISU Extension	\$5.00	See row 1 above

Universal Precautions and Mandatory Reporter Training
Please attend classes when available. There will only be two ICN classes each year. Others will be available as needed online.

Date	Time	Locations	Cities	Cost	Contact #
March 26	Universal Precautions 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. & Mandatory Reporter Training 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.	Carroll High School ICN Room	Carroll	\$5.00	Katie at 1-800-942-6330
		Panorama High School ICN Room	Panora		Sherry at 641-782-8431
		Sac City Library	Sac City		Send Registration & Payment to Mid-Sioux Opportunity
		Other Locations In Iowa	Other Locations In Iowa		Call your local CCR & R

NAC (National Administrator Credential) Approved Training

Date	Time	Location	Cost	Contact #
2/23 - 2/27	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Independence	\$75.00 for Directors in Iowa; \$525 Out-of-state	Call 1-800-543-7161
3/9 - 3/13	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Adventureland Inn Altoona	See above	Call 1-800-543-7161

Conferences and Seminars

Class	Date	Time	Location	Cost	Registration Info.
"Building Foundations, Building Futures"	3/7	8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	SWCC in Creston	Call for information	Call Terry at 641-782-1308
"Caring for Iowa's Future" Annual IFCCA Conference	3/28	See registration information.	Quality Inn-The Highlander in Iowa City (note change in location)	To be determined	iowafamilychildcare.org or swiowachildcare.org
AEYC Seminar	4/18	To Be Announced	Fort Dodge Iowa Central Community College	To Be Announced	Call Community Day Care in Fort Dodge and talk to Sherri or Renee 515-573-5461

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All programs and services are offered on a non-discriminatory basis, without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, sex, marital status or handicap.*



Partnerships 4 Families

Audubon, Carroll, Greene, and Guthrie Counties

Class	Date	Time	Location	Cost	Registration Info.
Positive Behavior Supports	2/2, 2/9, 2/23, 3/2, 3/9, 3/16, 3/23, 3/30, 4/6, 4/13 Plan to attend all sessions	6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.	Greenfield Chamber of Commerce	\$25.00 for the series	Sherry at 1-888-482-8431
Beyond Business Basics Series	See Page 7				
8th Annual Spring Conference You must attend the entire conference to receive a certificate. Approved for 6 hours of training.	3/7	8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Guthrie Center High School	\$20.00 before 2/23, \$30.00 after 2/23	Mail Registration form with check payable to Family Resource Center. Attn: SCSP Family Resource Center 502 W 7th St. Carroll IA 51401
Business Basics for Home Providers	3/23, 3/24	6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.	New Opportunities	\$10.00	Call Katie at 712-792-9266
CPR	4/14	6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.	Family Resource Center Carroll	\$35.00 for one or both	Call 712-792-6440 or 1-800-999-5101
First Aid	4/16	6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.			
Business Basics for Home Providers	4/25	9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.	MATURA office in Creston	\$10.00	Sherry at 888-482-8431

Buena Vista, Sac, and Crawford Counties

Class	Date	Time	Location	Cost	Registration Info.
Universal Precautions & Mandatory Reporter Training	3/26	Universal Precautions 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. & Mandatory Reporter Training 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.	Sac City Library	\$5.00	Send Registration & Payment to Mid-Sioux Opportunity

Online Mandatory Reporter Training

The University of Iowa, Learning Management System is now offering an approved online **Mandatory Child Abuse Reporter Training**. The online course is supported through a partnership of the Iowa Departments of Human Services and Public Health and the Prepare Iowa network at the University of Iowa. The course is approved under curricula #2401. To locate the training go to the Healthy Child Care Iowa website <http://www.idph.state.ia.us/hcci/events.asp>, scroll down to the event: **ONLINE: Mandatory Child Abuse Reporter Training**. We suggest you download the instructions handout to aid in your getting to the correct internet link. Upon the completion of the 2 hour course (which includes a post-test) you will be sent a certificate. The course is currently offered at no charge. Follow all of the instructions on the Prepare Iowa website for creating your account, login, password etc.

Additional On-line Training Opportunities

CDA training Eager to Learn (considered a group setting)	http://etl.mnchildcare.org/index.html	\$60.00 for 16 in-service hours and \$95.00 for 1.6 CEU's
Care Courses for self study hours	http://www.carecourses.com	Verify upon registration
Child Care Education Institute study	http://www.cceionline.com/index.cfm	Verify upon registration
NAFCC self study courses	http://www.nafcc.org/include/default.asp	Verify upon registration

Families Together Workshops

- Offered by ISU Extension in Audubon, Carroll, Greene, and Guthrie Counties
- Free to all participants (Grant funded by Partnerships 4 Families)
- 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at each location/date
- Approved for 1.5 CEU's, with a two hour option available
- Contact your local extension office to register:
Audubon County Extension Office - 712-563-4239
Carroll County Extension Office - 712-792-2364
Greene County Extension Office - 515-386-2138

Month/Title	Audubon	Carroll	Greene
February Putting It In Action	Wednesday, 2/18	Monday, 2/9	Thursday, 2/12
March Your Money, Your Priorities	Wednesday, 3/18	Tuesday, 3/24	Thursday, 3/12
April Don't Give Your Child a Tummy Ache	Wednesday, 4/15	Tuesday, 4/7	Thursday, 4/9

Welcome to School Age Care

Session Title	Date	Time	Location	Cost	Registration Info.
Your role as a School-Age Professional	5/11	6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.	Greenfield	\$10.00	Sherry at 1-888-482-8431
How do we Manage?	5/18	Plan to attend all sessions			
We all Work Together	6/1				
Here's to Your Health	6/8				
Plan to be Busy!	6/15				

Beyond Business Basics Series

The National Child Care Association has approved this educational program as meeting the criteria for continuing education for the National Administrator Credential

Quality Module - Must take prior to Financial Module

All classes are for home providers and center staff.

Session Title	Date	Time	Registration
Meeting Child Regulations in Iowa	2/7	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Call Katie at 1-800-642-6330
Committing to Quality	2/7	11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	
Taking the Fear out of the CACFP	2/7	1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	
Creating Family Partnerships	2/21	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	
Making a Difference with Advocacy	2/21	11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	
Resolving Ethical Dilemmas	2/21	1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	
Standards and Curriculum	3/7	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	
Professional Development Pathways	3/7	11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	

Financial Module - If you have taken Quality Module

All classes are for home providers and center staff.

Session Title	Date	Time	Registration
Professionalism and Communication Skills	3/21	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Call Katie at 1-800-642-6330
PEACE: Policy Enhancement And Contract Enforcement	3/21	11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	
Working with Employees	3/21	1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	
Minimizing your Insurance Risks	4/4	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	
Grant Writing	4/4	11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	
Financial Management	4/4	1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	
Marketing your Child Care Business	4/18	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	
Putting it all Together	4/18	11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	